Spotting Errors

for

NDA/CDS/AFCAT

Directions: Each item in this section has a sentence with three parts labelled as (a)//, (b)// and (c)//. Read each sentence to find out whether there is any error in any part and indicate your response on the Answer Sheet against the corresponding letter, i.e., (a)// or (b)// or (c)//. If you find no error, your response should be indicated as (d).

DAY 5

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Question 1

The committee **(a)/** has submitted its report **(b)/** to the concerned authorities, **(c)/** however no action has been taken yet. No Error **(d)**

Question 2

The Minister, along with his aides, **(a)/** were seen inspecting **(b)/** the damaged site after the storm. **(c)/** No Error **(d)**

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Question 3

Neither the teacher nor the students **(a)/** was able to solve **(b)/** the complex mathematical problem. **(c)/** No Error **(d)**

Question 4

Scarcely had he left the office **(a)/** when the client **(b)/** arrived with an urgent request. **(c)/** No Error **(d)**

Question 5

The government is committed **(a)/** to provide better healthcare facilities **(b)/** to the rural population. **(c)/** No Error **(d)**

Question 6

He is one of the players **(a)/** who has consistently performed **(b)/** well in international tournaments. **(c)/** No Error **(d)**

Question 7

It is high time **(a)/** that the government acts **(b)/** decisively to curb inflation. **(c)/** No Error **(d)**

Question 8

Each of the participants **(a)/** were given a certificate **(b)/** of appreciation for their efforts. **(c)/** No Error **(d)**

Question 9

The report highlights **(a)/** the issues that needs **(b)/** immediate attention from the authorities. **(c)/** No Error **(d)**

Question 10

The rise in unemployment **(a)/** have led to **(b)/** widespread dissatisfaction among the youth. **(c)/** No Error **(d)**

Question 11

She is senior **(a)/** than me **(b)/** in experience and skill. **(c)/** No Error **(d)**

Question 12

The book, as well as the articles, **(a)/** were written **(b)/** by a renowned historian. **(c)/** No Error **(d)**

Question 13

No sooner did the train arrive **(a)/** when the passengers **(b)/** started boarding it hastily. **(c)/** No Error **(d)**

Question 14

Despite of his efforts, **(a)/** he could not secure **(b)/** the top position in the exam. **(c)/** No Error **(d)**

Question 15

The data collected by the researchers **(a)/** were comprehensive and **(b)/** covered all aspects of the study. **(c)/** No Error **(d)**

ANSWER
WITH
EXPLANATION

1. (c)

Explanation: Replace "however" with "but" to maintain proper conjunction usage. "However" cannot be used as a coordinating conjunction here.

2. (b)

Explanation: "Were" should be replaced with "was" because the subject "The Minister" is singular, and phrases like "along with" do not affect the subject-verb agreement.

3. (b)

Explanation: "Was" should be replaced with "were" because the verb agrees with the plural noun "students," which is closer to it.

4. (d)

Explanation: The sentence is correct; "Scarcely had...when" is the appropriate structure.

5. (b)

Explanation: Replace "to provide" with "to providing" as the verb "committed to" is followed by a gerund.

6. (b)

Explanation: Replace "has" with "have" because "players," which is plural, is the antecedent of "who."

7. (b)
Explanation: Replace "acts" with "acted" as "It is high time" requires the past subjunctive.

8. (b)
Explanation: Replace "were" with "was" because "Each" is singular.

9. (b)

Explanation: Replace "needs" with "need" because "issues" is plural.

10. (b)

Explanation: Replace "have" with "has" because the subject "The rise" is singular.

11. (b)

Explanation: Replace "than" with "to" as "senior" is followed by "to" in standard English usage.

12. (b)

Explanation: Replace "were" with "was" because the subject "The book" is singular.

13. (b)

Explanation: Replace "when" with "than" as "No sooner...than" is the correct correlative conjunction pair.

14. (a)

Explanation: Remove "of" after "Despite" as it is redundant.

15. (d)

Explanation: The sentence is correct; "data" can be treated as plural, and "were" is appropriate.