

Grammar Exercises

UNIT-1

UNIT-1 Tenses

Correct the errors in the underlined words.

Taking a career aptitude test. There is dozens of career aptitude tests online that asks a series of questions. These is formulated to find out what kind of work would suits you the best. These tests analyzes your strengths, weaknesses, interests, and personality to help you narrow down your career choice. You can also does an Internet search for “career aptitude tests” and takes several so you can compare the results. Once you have an idea of what field you want to work in, consider all the options within that field. For instance, if you would wants to work in healthcare, you could be a nurse or a doctor, you can also considers paramedical careers in physiotherapy, occupational therapy and micro-biology.

UNIT-1 Modal Auxiliaries

Complete the following news item choosing the best phrases given below:

can't be	can't have	could take	may get	may not have
might be	must be	may be	may not be	ought not

As a result of the flooding, as many as 5,000 families a)_____ homeless, although the figure is only an estimate. ‘The emergency services are working hard, but I’m sure they b)_____ more than 20 helicopters for rescue operation. It c)_____ days to reach everyone and take them to safety,’ said an aid worker in the area. ‘Conditions for those families still waiting to be rescued d)_____ dreadful. There e)_____ any clean water to drink. Worryingly, more rain is forecast, so the floods f)_____ worse in the next few days. The emergency services g)_____ time to reach everyone before the waters rise again.

UNIT-1 Reported Speech

Change the following sentences into indirect speech.

- The pilot said to the passengers, “The plane will land in Delhi at 9 p.m.”
- The Principal said, “Young students must think about the ways to control the use of plastic band in the school campus.”



- c) Gowtham said to me, "I was very ill last week, but I am better now."
- d) Priya said, "I want to give my sister a present."
- e) Madhu said to me, "I am so happy you have completed your project."
- f) The manager said, "I will speak to you on Friday."
- g) Mani said to his coach, "I shall improve, if you guide me."
- h) My mother said to me, "You can go swimming tomorrow."
- i) Sandeep said to John, "Would you like to watch a movie with me?"
- j) Geetha asked Angel, "Will you help me to pack my bag?"
- k) The librarian said to the students, "You are not allowed to scribble anything on the library books."
- l) The motorist said to me, "Can you direct me to the post office?"
- m) Umar said to his mother, "Could you make me a cup of coffee?"
- n) The little boy said to me, "Alas! My dog is dead."
- o) Grandmother said to her grandson, "May God bless you."

UNIT-2

UNIT-2 Preposition

- Edit the following passage by circling the incorrect prepositions and writing the correct preposition against each line.

Dolphins are regarded as the friendliest between the sea creatures. 1 _____
There have been several stories of dolphins helping drowning sailors. 2 _____
The more we learn on dolphins, the more we realise how 3 _____
amazing they are, they care off the sick, protect the weakest 4 _____
at danger, they communicate very well with each other. 5 _____

UNIT-2 Conjunctions

- Spot the errors in the following sentences. Correct and rewrite them.

- a) Neither Ramya is a singer nor a dancer.
- b) Scarcely had the workers stepped out, than the building collapsed.
- c) No sooner did the power resume, when the children screamed in joy.
- d) My friend can type so fast as I.
- e) Sitha had no other assignment, but that of collecting the data.
- f) Rekha cooks like her mother does.





- g) Professor Usha is not only a writer but an orator.
- h) Your neighbours are not so wicked like you think.
- i) The girl both won an award and a scholarship.
- j) Three years have passed when my cousin resigned his job.

UNIT-3

UNIT-3 Active and Passive Voice

Change the voice of the following sentences.

1. Gayathri gave a set of pens to Mani.
2. By whom will the new stadium be built?
3. Where will the holidays be spent by your family?
4. They offered the job to Sundari.
5. Could some money be lent to me by your father?
6. Let the door not be opened.
7. Sophia sold her old car to Selvi.
8. Don't touch the electric wire with bare hands.
9. I cannot agree to your proposal.
10. Kindly complete the assignment in time.
11. Raman is known to me since childhood.
12. Don't insult the poor and weak.
13. Who has broken the chair?
14. His shoulder was hurt in an accident.
15. It is time for the bell to be rung.
16. We wish you forget this episode.
17. They would not have done this shameful act.
18. How do you know my uncle?
19. It is believed that he is an honest man.
20. My request was acceded to by the authorities.

UNIT-3 Question Tags

Find out if the question tag used in each of the following sentences is right. If it is correct, put a tick (✓) or if it is incorrect, replace it with the correct tag question in the box provided against each sentence.

1. These children look very weak and tired, aren't they?
2. Nobody can resolve this issue, can they?



3. We seldom speak to our neighbours, do we?
4. The old woman sells dolls made of sea-shells, doesn't she?
5. I have captured some beautiful moments in my camera, aren't I?
6. Pragathi put the bunch of flowers in the vase, doesn't she?
7. Arun was in a great dilemma at that time, didn't he?
8. I am an expert in cooking, amn't I?
9. Let's take this matter to court, can we?
10. Don't forget to hand over this file to my manager, do you?
11. The pair of shoes near the door is not yours, are they?
12. They have a resort in Yercaud, isn't it?
13. Our dog scarcely sleeps at night, doesn't it?
14. You do a lot of social service, don't you?
15. There is a stadium near your office, isn't it?

UNIT-4

UNIT-4 Kinds of sentences–Simple, Complex and Compound

Do as directed

- a) Besides being a singer, she is also a dancer.
(Rewrite as a compound sentence)
- b) Praveen ran into the field so that he might congratulate the winners.
(Rewrite as a simple sentence)
- c) The mountain was steep but he was able to climb it.
(Rewrite as a complex sentence)
- d) Smita carried out the survey and presented her report.
(Rewrite as a simple sentence)
- e) Unless you have a valid passport you cannot leave the country.
(Rewrite as a compound sentence)
- f) This is not the way to answer.
(Rewrite as a complex sentence)





Combine each of the following pairs of sentences into a single sentence.

- a) I met a man at the party. He is the Chairman of a computer form.
- b) Mahatma Gandhi stood for Ahimsa. The whole world knows it.
- c) Concentrate on your strengths. You will reap success in your life,
- d) Consider all the facts once again. Then make your decision.
- e) A number of books are missing from the library. Measures should be taken to retrieve them.

UNIT-5

UNIT-5 Non- finite verbs

Fill in the blanks using suitable gerunds.

1. My friend is good at _____ the saxophone.
2. They don't like _____ on Saturdays.
3. They started late, so they were afraid of _____ the train.
4. She enjoys _____ horror movies.
5. _____ on the wall can prove dangerous.
6. _____ a two wheeler without a helmet may prove fatal.
7. _____ uniform to school is compulsory.
8. _____ trees is a must, to prevent soil erosion.
9. Seema apologized for _____ late.
10. _____ an event successfully is a challenge.

Unscramble the sentences.

1. rupees / lunch / to buy / it / twenty/ costs
2. become/ my/ is/ a doctor / dream/ to
3. eight years/ to win/ it/ took/ the world cup
4. as / a/ I / want/ collector/ to see /you
5. divine/is/to forgive

Complete the conversation with the words from the box.

Man : Could you show the way to the hospital?

Woman : Sure. I will guide you (1)_____ the hospital. In about 15 minutes you



will get there. Start by taking the GST Road for about 10 minutes. Remember, (2)_____ carefully. The road is usually very busy. After 10 minutes you will reach a grey wall. From there you have (3)_____ right and go straight. As you drive along you will notice a bank. It is also important for you (4)_____ attention to the road as there is a school nearby. Once you cross the school, you will get (5)_____ the whereabouts of the hospital.

to reach

to drive

to pay

to know

to turn

Rewrite changing the gerund in each of the following sentences to infinitives without changing the meaning.

1. Teach me swimming.
2. Giving is better than receiving.
3. Seeing is believing.
4. I like reading.
5. He managed reaching there in time.
6. Walking in the sun is harmful to the eyes.
7. Stealing is a crime.
8. What I hate most is running across traffic.
9. Sitting here is wasting time.
10. Exercising is good for health.

Spot the errors, if any.

1. She wants to continuing her studies abroad.
2. It was a shame breaking up.
3. It will be a waste throwing the food away.
4. She made me to cry.
5. My company has delayed to give pay rise due to economic problems.
6. There's someone to talk on the phone, but they cannot hear me.
7. My friends and I were sitting in a cafe and to talk.
8. To carry a heavy pile of books, she tripped and fell.

UNIT-5 Articles and Determiners

Fill in the blanks with appropriate articles or determiners.

1. We met _____ Americans at the restaurant.
2. Monisha has _____ films in her hands.



3. I am _____ eldest in my family.
4. There are only _____ chocolates left for you.
5. Can you get me _____ butter?
6. They haven't got _____ roses in their garden.
7. Samuel hasn't got _____ homework today, so he is playing cricket.
8. Please give me _____ hammer and _____ nail.
9. My mother is _____ honest woman.
10. She bought _____ useful gadget.
11. Please give me _____ ice cube.
12. We need _____ light in the room.
13. Why are you reading _____ book?
14. My boss wanted _____ draft of the report in a day.
15. _____ hand-out is available online.

UNIT-5 Degrees of Comparison

Identify the error in each of the following sentences and correct them appropriately.

1. Oxygen is more heavier than hydrogen.
2. Very few indoor games are more interesting than chess.
3. Henry is the most strongest of all the players in the team.
4. Faster you run, sooner you get tired.
5. Diamond is more precious than any gem.
6. Mr. Sridhar is wiser than all men in our family.
7. The Biology lab in our school is spacious than the Chemistry lab.
8. This is one of the busier streets in our town.
9. The sparrow is the most unique bird.
10. Beema is stronger among the five Pandava brothers.
11. An ounce is lesser than a gallon.
12. Let me introduce my oldest daughter to you all.
13. Of the two sisters, Helen is the prettiest.
14. This is the most least mark I have ever scored.