

DIALOGUE REPORTING



PASSAGE BASED MCQs

PI I. Read the dialogue given below and then complete the Report by choosing the correct options. Write your answers in your answer sheet against the correct blank numbers. **[1 mark each]**

Ranbir : Where is my car? I remember parking it here.

Policeman : The car has been towed away as you parked it in the 'No Parking Zone'.

Ranbir : Sir, can I be excused this once?

Policeman : I hope you'll remember the lesson you learnt today. OK ! This should be the last time. Don't repeat the mistake again.

Ranbir asked the Policeman standing there 1. _____ and 2. _____. The Policeman replied that the Car 3. _____ parked it in the 'No Parking Zone'. Ranbir requested the Policeman 4. _____. The Policeman hoped he'd remember 5. _____. But finally he advised him 6. _____.

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| 1. (A) Where his Car was? | (B) Where his car is |
| (C) Where his car will be | (D) Where his car had been |
| 2. (A) that she remembered parking it there. | (B) that he remembered parking it there. |
| (C) that he remembers parking it there. | (D) that he remembering parking it there. |
| 3. (A) had been towed away as he had | (B) had been towed away as he has |
| (C) has been towed away as he had | (D) had been towed away as he is |
| 4. (A) to excuse him this once. | (B) to excused him that once. |
| (C) to excuse him that once. | (D) to excuse him then once. |
| 5. (A) the lesson he had learnt that day. | (B) the lesson he has learnt that day. |
| (C) the lesson he will be learnt that day. | (D) the lesson he had learnt this day. |
| 6. (A) not to repeat this mistake again | (B) not to repeat the mistake again |
| (C) not to repeat that mistake again | (D) not to repeat the same mistake again |

- Ans.** 1. (A) Where his Car was? 2. (B) that he remembered parking it there.
3. (A) had been towed away as he had 4. (C) to excuse him that once.
5. (A) the lesson he had learnt that day. 6. (B) not to repeat the mistake again.

Explanation:

1. In Reported speech, 'is' changes to 'was'.
2. As the event is in past so, 'remembered' is the correct form of the verb. Also, the correct pronoun for Ranbir is 'he' as he is Masculine gender.
3. The correct use is 'had' in both the beginning and at end of the blank as both the events – parking and towing – have been finished in the past.
4. First form of verb 'excuse' is used with determiner 'to'. Also, 'at once' is order, while 'this once' is request. So, a request is to be made while making an apology.
6. They are discussing a particular mistake. So, article 'the' is to be used here.

- II. Read the dialogue given below and then complete the Report by choosing the correct options. Write your answers in your answer sheet against the correct blank numbers. [1 mark each]

Ram : What a cold day it is ! I think this must be the Coldest day of the Season.

Shyam : I don't mind the cold. It is the Summer that bothers me.

Ram : Well ! I am only worried about My Mother. She stays alone in Shimla

Ram exclaimed that 1. _____ and he thought that 2. _____. Shyam replied that 3. _____ and further added that 4. _____. Ram stated that 5. _____ and 6. _____.

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| 1. (A) it was a very cold day | (B) it is a very cold day |
| (C) it will be a very cold day | (D) it has been a very cold day |
| 2. (A) it will be the Coldest day of the Season | (B) it had been the Coldest day of the Season |
| (C) it must be the Coldest day of the Season | (D) it has been be the Coldest day of the Season |
| 3. (A) he didn't mind the cold | (B) he does mind the cold |
| (C) he didn't mind cold | (D) he did mind the cold |
| 4. (A) it was the Summer that bothered him. | (B) it is the Summer that bothered him. |
| (C) it has been the Summer that bothered him. | (D) it will be the Summer that bothered him. |
| 5. (A) he is worried about his Mother. | (B) he was worried about his Mother. |
| (C) he will be worried about his Mother. | (D) he has been worried about his Mother. |
| 6. (A) that she stayed alone in Shimla. | (B) that she stays alone in Shimla. |
| (C) that is staying alone in Shimla. | (D) that had been staying alone in Shimla. |

- Ans. 1. (A) it was a very cold day 2. (C) it must be the Coldest day of the Season
 3. (A) he didn't mind the cold 4. (A) it was the Summer that bothered him.
 5. (B) he was worried about his Mother. 6. (A) that she stayed alone in Shimla.

Explanation:

1. In Reported speech, 'is' changes to 'was'.
2. As the Speaker is likely but not sure about the fact, it will be same in the Reported form.
3. In Reported speech, past tense is used for the events that have happened, so, 'do' verb changes to 'did'. Also, article 'the' cannot be dropped from the sentence while changing from direct to Reported speech.
4. In Reported speech, 'is' changes to 'was'.
5. As it is simple expression of fact, 'is' will change to 'was' in Reported speech.
6. Simple past tense is to be used for simple present tense in Reported speech.

- III. Read the dialogue given below and then complete the Report by choosing the correct options. Write your answers in your answer sheet against the correct blank numbers. [1 mark each]

Father : What are you going to do?

Son : I will phone the Warden.

Father : What's her name?

Son : Jenny, she is a very helpful Person.

Father : Will she help you?

Son : Yes, I am sure of that.

The Father asked his Son 1. _____ to do. The Son 2. _____ phone the Warden. On this the Father asked 3. _____. The Son answered that it was Jenny. The Son also said that she was 4. _____. His Father then asked 5. _____ to which the Son replied in affirmative and said that 6. _____.

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| 1. (A) what he is going | (B) what he was going |
| (C) what he were going | (D) what he will be going |
| 2. (A) replies that he would | (B) replying that he would |
| (C) replied that he would | (D) will reply that he would |
| 3. (A) what her name was | (B) what her name is |
| (C) what her name will be | (D) what her name could be |
| 4. (A) a very helping Person | (B) a very helpful Person |
| (C) an very helpful Person | (D) a very helpful Person |

5. (A) If she will help him (B) If she would helps him
 (C) If she would help him (D) If she should help him
 6. (A) he was sure of this. (B) he was sure of that.
 (C) he was sure of them. (D) he is sure of that.

- Ans. 1. (B) what he was going 2. (C) replied that he would
 3. (A) what her name was 4. (B) a very helpful Person
 5. (C) If she would help him 6. (B) he was sure of that

Explanation:

1. In Reported speech, 'are you' changes to 'was he' as Second Person is changed to Third Person.
2. Past tense is used in Reported speech. So, the correct form of the verb to be used is 'replied'.
3. 'was' is used in place of 'is' in Reported speech.
4. Adjective 'helpful' is correct. Also, article 'a' is to be used as 'very' does not start with vowel sound. The Warden is singular, so, use of 'Persons' is not correct.
6. In Reported speech, 'is' changes to 'was' and 'this' changes to 'that'.

- IV. Read the dialogue given below and then complete the Report by choosing the correct options. Write your answers in your answer sheet against the correct blank numbers. **[1 mark each]**

Ram : I want to meet the Principal.

Peon : Sir, he is not in his Office. He has gone to attend a Meeting.

Ram : When will he come back to the Office?

Peon : I think in another ten minutes.

Ram : What are the Meeting hours?

Ram went to the Principal's Office and told the Peon 1. _____ the Principal. Respectfully, the Peon told him that 2. _____ and 3. _____. So Ram asked him 4. _____. The Peon replied that 5. _____ minutes. Ram again enquired from the Peon 6. _____.

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| 1. (A) that he wanted to meet | (B) that he wants to meet |
| (C) that he is wanting to meet | (D) that him wanted to meet |
| 2. (A) he is not in his Office | (B) he was not in his Office |
| (C) he was not in him Office | (D) he will not be in his Office |
| 3. (A) he has gone to attend a Meeting | (B) he is going to attend a Meeting |
| (C) he had gone to attend a Meeting | (D) he will be attending a Meeting |
| 4. (A) when he would come back to the Office | (B) when he could come back to the Office |
| (C) when he is coming back to the Office | (D) when he will come back to the Office |
| 5. (A) he could be back in another ten | (B) he would be back in another ten |
| (C) he will be back in another ten | (D) he is going to be back in another ten |
| 6. (A) that what the meeting hours is | (B) that what the meeting hours will be |
| (C) that what the meeting hours were | (D) that what the meeting hours could be |

- Ans. 1. (A) that he wanted to meet 2. (B) he was not in his Office
 3. (C) he had gone to attend a Meeting 4. (A) when he would come back to the Office
 5. (B) he would be back in another ten 6. (C) that what the meeting hours were

Explanation:

1. Use of past tense is made in Reported speech. Also, pointing to someone, 'he' pronoun is to be used and not 'him'.
2. Use of past tense is made in Reported speech. Also, telling about the Principal, possessive pronoun 'his' is to be used and not 'him' with 'Office'.
3. As the work had already been completed in the past, so, 'has gone' is the correct use in Reported speech.
4. 'Will' changes to 'would' in Reported speech.
5. 'Will' changes to 'would' in Reported speech.
6. 'Were' is used in place of 'Are' in Reported speech.

AL V. Read the following dialogue and then complete the paragraph by choosing the correct options. Write your answers in your answer sheet against the correct blank numbers. [1 mark each]

Interviewer : Was shooting in Kashmir challenging?

Santosh : Filming in any place is difficult, but in Kashmir it was even more difficult.

Interviewer : How did the Locals react to it?

Santosh : Many assisted us during the making of the film. I am thankful to the Local Residents.

The Interviewer asked Santosh 1. _____ challenging in Kashmir. Santosh replied that 2. _____ difficult but in Kashmir 3. _____ more difficult. The Interviewer wanted to know 4. _____ to it. Santosh told him that 5. _____ that 6. _____ Residents.

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| 1. (A) if shooting had been | (B) if shooting has been |
| (C) if shooting will be | (D) if shooting could be |
| 2. (A) filming in any place is | (B) filming in any place were |
| (C) filming in any place was | (D) filming in any place could be |
| 3. (A) it has been even | (B) it had been even |
| (C) it will be even | (D) it was been even |
| 4. (A) how the locals had reacted | (B) how the locals has reacted |
| (C) how the locals will react | (D) how the locals has been reacting |
| 5. (A) many has assisted them during film making | |
| (B) many had assisted them during film making | |
| (C) many will be assisting them during film making | |
| (D) many has been assisting them during film making | |
| 6. (A) he was very thankful to the Local | (B) he is very thankful to the Local |
| (C) he were very thankful to the Local | (D) he will be very thankful to the Local |

- Ans.** 1. (A) if shooting had been 2. (C) filming in any place was
 3. (B) it had been even 4. (A) how the Locals had reacted
 5. (B) many had assisted them during film making 6. (A) he was very thankful to the Local

Explanation:

- Past tense is used in Reported speech.
- Past tense is to be used in Reported speech. 'Was' is used with Singular nouns and Pronouns while, 'were' is used with Plurals.
- 'Had been' is to be used as past tense in Reported speech.
- 'Had reacted' is to be used as past tense in Reported speech.
- 'Had assisted' is to be used as past tense in Reported speech.
- Because of use of past tense in Reported speech, 'was' is the correct use here.

VI. Read the following dialogue and then complete the paragraph by choosing the correct options. Write your answers in your answer sheet against the correct blank numbers. [1 mark each]

Rani : There's Mohan !

Ravi : Where?

Rani : He is lying under the umbrella near the coconut tree.

Ravi : Oh yes, I see him. He looks very comfortable. Let us leave him alone. Let's go for a Sea-ride.

Rani exclaimed with surprise that 1. _____. Ravi enquired 2. _____. Rani told Ravi that he 3. _____ near the coconut tree. Ravi agreed that he could see Mohan who 4. _____. He suggested that they 5. _____ Mohan alone. Ravi further suggested to 6. _____.

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| 1. (A) Mohan was there | (B) Mohan is there |
| (C) Mohan will be there | (D) Mohan is going to be there |
| 2. (A) where he is | (B) where he had been |
| (C) where he will be | (D) where he was |
| 3. (A) will be lying under the umbrella | (B) had been lying under the umbrella |
| (C) was lying under the umbrella | (D) has been lying under the umbrella |
| 4. (A) looked very comfortable | (B) looking very comfortable |
| (C) will look very comfortable | (D) looks very comfortable |
| 5. (A) should leave | (B) has to leave |
| (C) could be leave | (D) had to leave |
| 6. (A) will go for a Sea-ride | (B) go for a Sea-ride |
| (C) is going for a Sea-ride | (D) will be going for a Sea-ride |

- Ans.** 1. (A) Mohan was there 2. (D) where he was

3. (C) was lying under the umbrella
 4. (A) looked very comfortable
 5. (A) should leave
 6. (B) go for a Sea-ride

Explanation:

1. 'Is' is replaced with 'was' in Reported speech.
2. 'Is' is not mentioned in the dialogue but its use is implied. So, 'is' has to be replaced with 'was' in Reported speech.
3. 'Is' is replaced with 'was' in Reported speech.
4. 'Looks' will be replaced by 'looked' in Reported speech.
5. As this is not a sure fact, but merely a suggestion, so use of 'should' is correct.

Q. 7. Read the following dialogues and complete the paragraph that follows.

[1 mark each]

Rajeev : Dad, will you gift me a Laptop?

Dad : Not now, wait till your Class 12th Board Results.

Rajeev : But, Dad, didn't you promise me one?

Dad : Yes, but my long cherished desire is to see you top in class 12th too. You should prepare for JEE-MAINS also.

Rajeev : I will try to come up to your expectations.

Rajeev asked his Dad 1. _____. Negating, Dad asked Rajeev 2. _____. A little disappointed Rajeev 3. _____. Motivating Rajeev, Dad said that his long cherished desire 4. _____ top Class 12th too. He also wished that 5. _____ JEE Mains also. Rajeev replied that 6. _____ expectations.

1. (A) if he would gift him a laptop (B) if he can gift him a laptop
(C) if he is gifting him a laptop (D) if he gifts him a laptop
2. (A) to wait till his Class 12th Board Result (B) to wait until his Class 12th Board Results
(C) to waits till his Class 12th Board Results (D) to waiting till his Class 12th Board Results
3. (A) reminds Dad if he hadn't promised him one
(B) will remind Dad if he hadn't promised him one
(C) reminded Dad if he hadn't promised him one
(D) reminding Dad if he hadn't promised him one
4. (A) was to see him (B) is to see him
(C) was going to see him (D) will be seeing him
5. (A) he will prepare for (B) he should prepare for
(C) he could prepare for (D) he must prepare for
6. (A) he would try to come up to his (B) he will try to come up to his
(C) he should try to come up to his (D) he must try to come up to his

- Ans.** 1. (A) if he would gift him a Laptop
 2. (A) to wait till his Class 12th Board Results
 3. (C) reminded Dad if he hadn't promised him one
 4. (A) was to see him
 5. (B) he should prepare for
 6. (A) he would try to come up to his

Explanation:

1. 'Will' changes to 'would' in Reported speech.
2. First form of verb is used with Determiner 'to'. Until is used when satisfaction of condition is to be stated. Till is used for defining completion of a time period.
3. In Reported speech, past tense is used, so 'reminded' is the correct verb to be used.
4. As 'to see' is used in the dialogue, 'to see' has to be used in Reported speech.
5. Preparation for next Level Exams is a suggestion. So, 'should' has to be used here.
6. 'Will' changes to 'would' in Reported speech.