

Error Correction-Exercise Questions updated on Dec 2024

Directions: In each of the following questions, find out which part of the sentence has an error. If there is no mistake, the answer is 'No error'.

1. It is written in Gita (a)/ that God incarnates (b)/ Himself (c)/ in times of trouble. (d)/ No error (e)
2. It is being rainy day, (a)/ we decided not to go out (b)/ but to stay at home (c)/ and watch a movie. (d)/ No error (e)
3. The blinds (a)/ deserve (b)/ our sympathy. (c)/ No error (d)
4. Concurrent with his programme, (a)/ educational institutions may be urged (b)/ to inculcate patriotism (c)/ in each and every one of its pupils. (d) No error (e)
5. She had shifted her residence (a)/ to this city to be (b)/ close with the child (c)/ she had wanted to adopt. (d)/ No error (e)
6. The author's vision, (a)/ suffused by an innocence and warmth, (b)/ may not correspond (c)/ to the country as it is today. (d)/ No error (e)
7. And though one did not (a)/ quite believe his claim, (b)/ one saw no harm (c)/ in granting him permission. (d)/ No error (e)
8. If you hate me, (a)/ then you should (b)/ leave my house. (c)/ No error (d)
9. When he went out (a)/ he left the radio on (b)/ so that his parents shall think (c)/ that he was still in the house. (d)/ No error (e)
10. More leisure, as well as an abundance of goods, (a)/ are attainable (b)/ through automation. (c)/ No error (d)
11. I and you (a)/ know each other (b)/ for the last six years. (c)/ No error (d)
12. Some people get (a)/ used to changes (b)/ very easily than (c)/ others do. (d)/ No error (e)
13. When the college was established (a)/ he was (b)/ yet practising law. (c)/ No error (d)
14. Mine may not be a (a)/ story of success (b)/ but failures keep a person live (c)/ No error (d)
15. Mahabharata contains veritable wealth (a)/ of material for deep study and research (b)/ but all mankind in today's strife-torn world. (c)/ No error (d)

Directions: In each of the following questions, find out which part of the sentence has an error. The error may be idiomatic or grammatical. If there is no mistake, the answer is 'No error'.

16. He drank once again (a)/ as he was (b)/ feeling thirsty. (c)/ No error (d)
17. Bacteria is probably (a)/ the most common form (b)/ of life on earth. (c)/ No error (d)
18. While going (a)/ through the report (b)/ yesterday I find (c)/ several factual mistakes. (d)/ No error (e)

19. On reaching the railway station (a)/ he was disappointed to learn (b)/ that the train left. (c)/ No error (d)
20. It is high time (a)/ that we send (b)/ the answer (c)/ No error (d)
21. The presumption that the average investor did not understand (a)/ or take interest in the affairs of the company (b)/ is not correct. (c)/ No error (d)
22. The two last (a)/ chapters of the book (b)/ are very interesting. (c)/ No error (d)
23. Passengers should be prohibited (a)/ to smoke in (b)/ the trains and buses. (c)/ No error (d)
24. The world (a)/ comprises (b)/ good and bad people. (c)/ No error (d)
25. The demand of the worker's union (a)/ that the dismissed (b)/ employee to be reinstated, (c)/ has been accepted by the management. (d)/ No error (e)

Direction: In the following questions, a sentence has been given wherein a word/ group of words has been italicised. Some alternatives are suggested for the italicised words/ group of words which improves the sentences. In case no improvement is needed in the sentence, your answer is 'No improvement' or 'No correction required.'

26. I *made* him good-bye.
- Wished
 - Complimented
 - Bade
 - No improvement
27. We heard of *them having discovered* another stream
- Them discovering
 - Their discovering
 - Their having discovered
 - No improvement
28. Those who study at *sixes and sevens* seldom succeed.
- By fits and starts
 - By leaps and bounds
 - From pillar to post
 - No improvement
29. Kalidas is the greatest of *all other* dramatists.
- Most other
 - The other
 - any other

- d) All the
e) No correction required
30. A bird in hand is worth *two in bush*.
- a) two in the bush
b) two at a bush
c) two on bush
d) no improvement
31. My mother *is ill since* two months.
- a) has been ill since
b) has been ailing since
c) has been ailing for
d) no correction required
32. To make him succeed, the correct thing to do is to punish him *until he does not try*.
- a) until he tries
b) until he does try
c) until he will not try
d) until he did not try
e) no improvement
33. The houses in our street are more beautiful *than on the main road*.
- a) than that on the main road
b) than those on the main road
c) than there on the main road
d) no correction required
34. If you are living near a market place you should be ready *to bear* the disturbances caused by traffic.
- a) to bear with
b) to bear away
c) to bear upon
d) no improvement
35. He offered me tea but I *denied* it.
- a) refuted
b) neglected
c) declined

- d) no improvement
36. There is *no absolute worry* even if your son refuses to marry her.
- a) no absolutely worry
 - b) absolutely no worry
 - c) absolutely not worrying
 - d) no improvement
37. I congratulated him on his *creditable* performance in the I.F.S examination
- a) credible
 - b) creditworthy
 - c) credulous
 - d) no improvement
38. *But just how far* he will manage to run with those shoes remains to be seen.
- a) But just how farther
 - b) But just how much far
 - c) But just how further
 - d) no improvement
39. The experience was as important to the artists as it was to the thousands *who comprise* the audience.
- a) who did comprise
 - b) who comprised
 - c) who would comprise
 - d) who comprised of
 - e) no correction required
40. *Scarcely had he left* when his friend came.
- a) He had scarcely left
 - b) He had left scarcely
 - c) He scarcely had left
 - d) No improvement
41. Whenever the two sisters *go out for shopping*, they take their pet dog with them.
- a) go out shopping
 - b) go out to shopping
 - c) go out on shopping
 - d) no improvement

42. He was urgently in need *to get his eye operation*.
- of an eye operation
 - for operation on eye
 - for eye to be operated
 - no improvement
43. He *fled from* the country lest he should be arrested for his misdeeds.
- fled off
 - fled
 - fled out of
 - no improvement
44. This time she is coming in holidays for an *extending* stay here.
- extensive
 - extension
 - extended
 - no improvement
45. If I was you, I would not have joined the party.
- As you
 - If I am
 - Were I you
 - If I be you
 - No correction required

Directions: In each sentence below, four words/ group of words which are labelled (a),(b),(c) and (d) have been printed in bold type, one of which may be either inappropriate in the context of the sentence or wrongly spelt. If all the four are appropriate and also correctly spelt, mark 'All correct' as the answer.

46. The new **lecturer** (a)/ has **devised** (b)/ a **novel** method (c)/ of solving this problem. (d)/ All correct (e)
47. He who is indeed of the **brotherhood** (a)/ does not **voyage** (b)/ in quest of the **picturisque**, (c)/ but of certain jolly **humours**. (d)/ All correct (e)
48. **Subtel** (a)/ **nuances** (b)/ and hues of the Indian **languages** (c)/ as spoken in all these places settle down in his **psyche**. (d)/ All correct (e)
49. Our country is critically **affected** (a)/ by **widespread** (b)/ **deforestation** (c)/ and **steady** (d)/ destruction of natural watersheds. All correct (e)
50. The old man **cut** (a)/ the huge Ashoka tree **with** (b)/ **hardly** (c)/ **no effort** (d)/ at all. All correct (e)

Answer & Explanations.

1. (a) : Add 'the' before 'Gita'.
2. (a): Add 'a' before 'rainy day'.
3. (a): Replace 'blinds' by 'blind'
4. (d): Replace 'its' by 'their'
5. (c): Replace 'with' by 'to'
6. (b): Replace 'by' by 'with'
7. (e) No error
8. (b): Remove 'then'
9. (e) No error
10. (b): Replace 'are' by 'is'
11. (b): Replace 'known' by 'have known'
12. (c): Replace 'very' by 'more'
13. (c): Replace 'yet' by 'still'
14. (c): Replace 'live' by 'alive'
15. (a): Add 'a' before 'veritable'.
16. (d): No error
17. (a): Replace 'is' by 'are'
18. (c): Replace 'find' by 'found'
19. (c) : Add 'had' before 'left'.
20. (b): Replace 'send' by 'sent'
21. (d): No error
22. (a): The correct form is 'The last two...'
23. (b): The correct form is '....prohibited from smoking.'
24. (d): No error
25. (c): Remove 'to'
26. (c)
27. (c)
28. (a)
29. (d)
30. (a)

- 31. (c)
- 32. (a)
- 33. (b)
- 34. (a)
- 35. (c)
- 36. (b)
- 37. (d)
- 38. (d)
- 39. (b)
- 40. (d)
- 41. (a)
- 42. (a)
- 43. (b)
- 44. (c)
- 45. (c)
- 46. (e). All correct
- 47. (c). The correct spelling is 'picturesque.'
- 48. (a). The correct spelling is 'Subtle.'
- 49. (e). All correct
- 50. (d). Replace 'no' by 'any'.