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Direction (1-10): Which of the following phrases (a), (b), (c) and (d) given below each sentence should replace the phrase printed in bold letters to make the sentence grammatically correct? If the sentence is correct as it is, mark (e) i.e. "No correction required" as the answer.

Q1. Chinese and Russian commanders conducted a simulation exercise in Kaliningrad province **of the ongoing** joint military drills code-named "Joint Sea 2017" in the Baltic Sea.

- (a) at the ongoing
- (b) for the ongoing
- (c) in an ongoing
- (d) to the ongoing
- (e) No correction required

L1Difficulty 3

QTags sentence improvement

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Q2. President Recep Tayyip Erdogan began a key visit to the Gulf region **to aim at defusing the standoff between** Turkey's ally Qatar, saying no one had an interest in prolonging the crisis.

- (a) which aiming to defuse the standoff over
- (b) aiming to defuse the standoff on
- (c) aimed at defusing the standoff around
- (d) have aimed on defusing the standoff at
- (e) No correction required

L1Difficulty 3

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Q3. India's trade with African countries is likely to touch \$117 billion by 2020-21 **in accounting improved economic tie** and strong business opportunities, according to a report.

- (a) on account of improved economic ties
- (b) accounting both improved economic tie
- (c) has accounted improvement in economic tie
- (d) accounting economic ties improvement
- (e) No correction required

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Q4. India has to make suitable policy changes by December this year to remove measures **it had undertaken to protect its fledgling** solar manufacturing sector from foreign competition, according to a recent notice issued by the Dispute Settlement Body (DSB) of the World Trade Organisation (WTO).

- (a) it took to undertake protecting its fledgling
- (b) it has undertaken for protecting its fledged
- (c) undertaken to protect its fledged
- (d) that it undertook in protecting its fledgling
- (e) No correction required

L1Difficulty 3

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Q5. The RBI is **also empowered in issuing** other directions for resolution, appoint or approve for appointment, authorities or committees to advise the banking companies for stressed asset resolution.

- (a)will also empower at issue
- (b)would also be empowered to issue
- (c)will be also empowered for issuing
- (d)might be empowered in issuing
- (e)No correction required

L1Difficulty 3

QTags **sentence improvement**

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Q6. Sri Lankan President Maithripala Sirisena ordered tighter security **following a shoot incident for all judges** that threatened the life of a high court judge in Jaffna.

- (a)to all judges after following a shooting incident
- (b)for all judges following a shooting incident
- (c)of all judges after an incidence of shoot
- (d)to all judges to avoid shooting incident
- (e)No correction required

L1Difficulty 3

QTags **sentence improvement**

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Q7. Coffee, when taken on empty stomach, **would stimulate secretion** of hydraulic acid in the digestive system.

- (a)stimulate the secretion
- (b)can stimulate the secreting
- (c)secretes the stimulation
- (d)stimulates the secretion
- (e)No correction required

L1Difficulty 3

QTags **sentence improvement**

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Q8. The Dutch Dylan Groenewegen managed to claim the eighth bunch sprint victory this year **as he outclassed** Andre Greipel and Edvald Boasson Hagen in the final several hundred meters.

- (a)after he outclassed
- (b)since he won over
- (c)for outclassing
- (d)having outclassed
- (e)No correction required

L1Difficulty 3

QTags **sentence improvement**

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Q9. The government nominees on the Reserve Bank of India's (RBI) Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) **had to paid** Rs 1.5 lakh per meeting along with air travel and other reimbursements, according to a decision taken by the RBI.

- (a)had pay
- (b)would paid
- (c)are to be paid
- (d)has been pay
- (e)No correction required

L1Difficulty 3

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Q10. A United Nations report says that since 1950 the proportion of old persons in the total population **was rise steadily**, from 8 per cent in 1950 to 11 per cent in 2007, and it is estimated to reach 22 per cent in 2050.

- (a) has been rising steadily
- (b) is rise steadily
- (c) has risen steady
- (d) had risen steady
- (e) No correction required

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Directions (11-15): **In each of the following questions given below there are two blanks, each blank indicates that something has been omitted. Choose the set of words for each blank which best fits to the meaning of the sentence as a whole.**

Q11. Since the RTI Act has started \_\_\_\_\_ a lot of corrupt and arbitrary actions, there has been a great demand to increase the \_\_\_\_\_ of privacy.

- (a) uncovering, limits
- (b) discovering, hinder
- (c) concealing, liberation
- (d) revealing, goals
- (e) suppressing, margin

L1Difficulty 3

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Q12. Country's largest lender State Bank of India has \_\_\_\_\_ interest on savings account deposits by 50 basis points to 3.5 per cent on balance up to Rs.1 crore, ahead of RBI's policy \_\_\_\_\_ this week.

- (a) hacked, report
- (b) mended, checkup
- (c) sliced, survey
- (d) slashed, review
- (e) limited, study

L1Difficulty 3

QTags **filler**

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Q13. The Union Cabinet has approved \_\_\_\_\_ in the Customs and Excise Act relating to abolition of cesses and surcharges on various goods and services to \_\_\_\_\_ implementation of GST.

- (a) amendments, facilitate
- (b) alteration, forward
- (c) assistance, felicitate
- (d) relief, sustain
- (e) remission, promote

L1Difficulty 3

QTags **filler**

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Q14. Lack of \_\_\_\_\_ of municipalities and district panchayats to \_\_\_\_\_ this enormous job and ineffective awareness campaigns by them have failed to bring about the desired results.

- (a) space, promise
- (b) capacity, undertake
- (c) room, endeavor
- (d) efficiency, initiates
- (e) activity, embark

L1Difficulty 3

QTags filler

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Q15. For around six months, well \_\_\_\_\_ sanitation campaigns were taken across the country, but on the ground, the excitement and photo-ops failed to make as much impact as was \_\_\_\_\_ for.

- (a) broadcast, suspect
- (b) declared, presumed
- (c) dedicated, feared
- (d) praised, regard
- (e) publicized, hoped

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S1. Ans. (b)

Sol. "for the ongoing" is the correct phrase to make the sentence grammatically correct. Read the first part of the sentence carefully, it clearly indicates that simulation exercise is conducted "for" and not "of" the ongoing military drills. Similarly the use of preposition "in", "at" or "to" is inappropriate in this case. Hence (b) is the correct choice.

S2. Ans. (c)

Sol. "aimed at defusing the standoff around" is the correct phrase to make the sentence grammatically correct. It is to be noted that the sentence is in Past Tense. Hence only option (c) is in correct grammar structure to replace the bold part of the sentence.

S3. Ans. (a)

Sol. "on account of improved economic ties" is the correct phrase to make the sentence grammatically correct as the phrase "on account of" is the correct usage which means because of. Read the sentence carefully, the reason behind this growth in trade between two countries is because of improved economic ties and strong business opportunities. Hence only option (a) is in correct grammar structure to ally the sentence.

S4. Ans. (e)

Sol. The sentence is grammatically correct. It is to be noted that the later part of the sentence talks about the removal of measures that were taken in the past. Hence the use of phrase "it had undertaken to protect" is appropriate in context of the correct grammar syntax. Hence the sentence doesn't require any correction.

S5. Ans. (b)

Sol. "would also be empowered to issue" is the correct phrase to make the sentence grammatically correct. The use of "will" is avoided as there is lack of certainty in the given clause. Other options are not in accordance with the correct grammar structure. Hence (b) is the correct option.

S6. Ans. (b)

Sol. "for all judges following a shooting incident" is the correct phrase to make the sentence grammatically correct. "tighter security for all judges" makes the correct syntax. Moreover the use of 'after' and 'following' together is superfluous. Hence only option (b) is correct among the given options.

S7. Ans. (d)

Sol. "stimulates the secretion" is the correct phrase to make the sentence grammatically correct. It is to be noted that the sentence is in Simple Present Tense. Hence the use of "stimulates" is appropriate in context of the correct grammar structure for the given sentence. Hence (d) is the correct option.

S8. Ans. (e)

Sol. The given sentence is grammatically correct.

S9. Ans. (c)

Sol. "are to be paid" is the correct phrase to make the sentence grammatically correct. It is to be noted that the sentence is in Passive form. Hence (c) is the correct option.

S10. Ans. (a)

Sol. "has been rising steadily" is the correct phrase to make the sentence grammatically correct. It is to be noted that the sentence is in Present Perfect Continuous Tense. So "has been rising" is the correct usage. Hence only option (a) is correct in context of the structure of the sentence.

S11. Ans. (a)

Sol. "uncovering, limits" is the correct set of words that makes the sentence meaningful. **Uncovering** means discovering (something previously secret or unknown). **Limit** means a point or level beyond which something does not or may not extend or pass.

S12. Ans. (d)

Sol. "slashed, review" is the correct set of words that makes the sentence meaningful. **Slashed** means reduced (a price, quantity, etc.) greatly. **Review** means a formal assessment of something with the intention of instituting change if necessary.

S13. Ans. (a)

Sol. "amendments, facilitate" is the correct set of words that makes the sentence meaningful. **Amendment** means a minor change or addition designed to improve a text, piece of legislation, etc.

**Facilitate** means make (an action or process) easy or easier.

S14. Ans. (b)

Sol. "capacity, undertake" is the correct set of words that makes the sentence meaningful. **Capacity** means the ability or power to do or understand something. **Undertake** means commit oneself to and begin (an enterprise or responsibility); take on.

S15. Ans. (e)

Sol. "publicized, hoped" is the correct set of words that makes the sentence meaningful. **Publicized** means gave out information about (a product, person, or company) for advertising or promotional purposes.

**Hope** means want something to happen or be the case.