

Understanding GMAT

SUCCESS ON THE TEST	RECIPE FOR DISASTER
1. Subject Preparation is thorough (this will matter only to the tune of 50%)	1. Preparation is gimmicky.
2. Thorough Mental Preparation (Remaining 50% contributor to your success)	2. Lack of three vital ingredients: Concentration, Mental Toughness, and Steady nerves
3. Pattern Based Study	3. Study just to get the answer correct
4. Zero errors on RC under time pressure...	4. RC makes you panic
5. Studying the weakest areas the most	5. Studying the strongest areas more often
6. Pace: finishing the test is the most important	6. Slow pace, so towards the test you tend to have too many wrong answers in a row.
7. Try not to have more than one wrong answers in a row	7. 2 or more than 2 wrong answers in a row.
8. Quality over quantity. A lot of analysis and deliberations on each question	8. Mindless solving of hundreds of questions
9. Studying the Right Content	9. Studying Irrelevant Content
10. Doing at least 10 four-hour long simulated CATs	10. Avoiding four-hour long simulations

Subject Preparation

- It is a test of LOGIC and only of LOGIC – not a test of MATH or ENGLISH
- The GMAT is a mind-game – play it like one
- Preparation alone can't ensure any score... **execution during those four hours means everything**
- Stamina, Concentration, Mental Toughness, and Pace are equally crucial
- Practice with the right content – the key to success
- If you take more than 2 minutes on any question, there is always a shorter approach
- RC is the most crucial among all test areas
- Master PATTERNS – and conquer the test

GMAT Verbal Section

- Appears last on the test
- 41 Questions to be answered in 75 minutes in the following areas
 - Sentence Correction Critical Reasoning Reading Comprehension
- Questions appear in a random order
- The Verbal Section is tough because of its position (time sequence on the test) as well – one may be completely exhausted by the end of 3 hours.
- Imagine reading a tough RC passage about an obscure American Author after having spent about 3½ hours. The same passage, if read in the beginning, may be easily understandable.

Verbal Secrets – how to score well

There are 5 critical elements

- **Preparation** (Concepts, Rules, Application)
- **Peculiarities** (for example "rather than" is always preferred to "instead of" on GMAT SC – there are a lot of such peculiarities on the GMAT)
- **Patterns** (the GMAT has a fixed number of patterns / rules – usually there are no variations)
- **Practice** (LOADS of practice to reduce the reaction time and to be able to recall any concept very quickly)
- **Perfection** (Practice on computer for STAMINA, CONCENTRATION and SPEED - it should cease to matter when you are taking the test, what the external conditions are etc.). Imagine riding a bicycle after 10 years...

Myth vs. Reality on GMAT Verbal

MYTH	REALITY
It is all about English	It is GMAT VERBAL – very different from conventional English
Intuition is my best friend	Intuition is my last resort
Good English results in a good Verbal Score	Good English may still result in a disastrous score
It is very subjective and vague	It is as objective as MATH – wrong answers can be proved wrong with clinical precision
Practice will eliminate most of my errors	Mastering patterns wins the deal for me
Expect the unexpected	The test doesn't surprise you usually
Conscious Application of rules	A lot of practice should make the application of concepts a "subconscious" exercise

Understanding GMAT LOGIC

Data Sufficiency Directions: Choose:

- A. If Statement (1) ALONE is sufficient, but statement (2) alone is not sufficient.
- B. If Statement (2) ALONE is sufficient, but statement (1) alone is not sufficient.
- C. If BOTH statements TOGETHER are sufficient, but NEITHER statement ALONE is sufficient.
- D. If EACH statement ALONE is sufficient.
- E. If Statements (1) and (2) TOGETHER are not sufficient.

1. Is z even? (1) $5z$ is even. (2) $3z$ is even.
2. Is $n/18$ an integer? (1) $5n/18$ is an integer. (2) $3n/18$ is an integer.
3. What is the value of x ?
(1) x^3 is a 2-digit positive odd integer. (2) x^4 is a 2-digit positive odd integer.
4. Joanna bought only \$0.15 stamps and \$0.29 stamps. How many \$0.15 stamps did she buy?
(1) She bought an equal number of \$0.15 stamps and \$0.29 stamps.
(2) She bought \$4.40 worth of stamps.
5. There is a right angled triangle ABC with the right angle at C and AC and BC as the perpendicular sides and AB as the hypotenuse. Is the area of the triangle ABC > 25 ?
(1) AC = 6 (2) AB = 10
6. A sequence has 15 terms a_1 to a_{15} where $a_n = a_{n-1} + k$, where k is a non-zero constant. How many terms in the sequence are greater than 10?
(1) $a_1 = 24$ (2) $a_8 = 10$
7. What is x ? (1) $|x| < 2$ (2) $|x| = 3x - 2$
8. If a and b are both positive integers, is $b^{a+1} - ba^b$ odd?
(1) a is odd (2) b is even
9. If y is an integer and $y = x + |x|$, is $y = 0$? (1) $x < 0$ (2) $y < 1$
10. What is the value of y ? (1) $3|x^2 - 4| = y - 2$ (2) $|3 - y| = 11$
11. In a work force, the employees are either managers or directors. What is the percentage of directors?
(1) The average salary for manager is \$5,000 less than the total average salary.
(2) The average salary for directors is \$15,000 more than the total average salary.
12. Is one of the interior angles of quadrilateral ABCD equal to 60 degrees?
(1) Two of the interior angles of ABCD are right angles.
(2) Angle ABC is twice angle BCD.
13. Marta bought several pencils. If each pencil was either a 23-cent pencil or a 21-cent pencil, how many 23-cent pencils did Marta buy?
(1) Marta bought a total of 6 pencils. (2) The total value of the pencils Marta bought was 130 cents.
14. Peter, Paul, and Mary each received a passing score on his/her history midterm. The average (arithmetic mean) of the three scores was 78. What was the median of the three scores?
(1) Peter scored a 73 on his exam. (2) Mary scored a 78 on her exam.
15. If x and y are unknown positive integers, is the mean of the set $\{6, 7, 1, 5, x, y\}$ greater than the median of the set?
(1) $x + y = 7$ (2) $x - y = 3$

Problem Solving - Directions: Choose the correct answer

- One night a certain motel rented $\frac{3}{4}$ of its rooms, including $\frac{2}{3}$ of its air-conditioned rooms. If $\frac{3}{5}$ of its rooms were air-conditioned, what percent of the rooms that were not rented were air-conditioned?
20% 33.33% 35% 40% 80%
- At a certain hospital, 75% of the interns receive fewer than 6 hours of sleep and report feeling tired during their shifts. At the same time, 70% of the interns who receive 6 or more hours of sleep report no feelings of tiredness. If 80% of the interns receive fewer than 6 hours of sleep, what percent of the interns report no feelings of tiredness during their shifts?
6 14 19 20 81
- ABCD is a square of side 7 cm. The Mid points of sides AD and DC are E and F respectively. What is the ratio of areas of the shaded trapezium ACFE to the area of square ABCD? **REFER TO FIG 1 at the bottom of the page**
 $\frac{1}{3}$ $\frac{1}{4}$ $\frac{3}{8}$ $\frac{4}{9}$ $\frac{5}{12}$
- Before being simplified, the instructions for computing the income tax in Country K were to add 2% of annual income to average of 100 units of Country K's currency and 1% of annual income. Which represents the simplified formula for computing income tax for a person with an annual income I?
 $50 + I/200$ $50 + 3I/100$ $50 + I/40$ $50 + I/50$ $50 + 3I/100$
- A certain city with a population of 1, 32,000, is divided into 11 voting districts, and no district is to have a population that is more than 10% greater than the population of any other district. What is the minimum possible population that the least populated district could have?
10700 10800 10900 11000 11100
- A giant fruit of 100 kg contains 99% water and remaining solid. It is left for drying and after some time, it contains 98% water. Only water evaporates and solid doesn't. How much water has evaporated? **Choose the nearest answer.**
1 kg 5 kg 10 kg 25 kg 50 kg
- A set of 15 different integers have a range of 25 and a median of 25. What is greatest possible integer that could be in this set?
32 37 40 43 50
- If x is positive which of the following could be correct ordering of $\frac{1}{x}$, $2x$, x^2 ?
I. $x^2 < 2x < \frac{1}{x}$ II. $x^2 < \frac{1}{x} < 2x$ III. $2x < x^2 < \frac{1}{x}$
None I Only III Only I and II only I, II & III
- In **FIGURE 2**, triangle PQR has a right angle at Q and a perimeter of 60. Line segment QS is perpendicular to PR and has a length of 12. $PQ > QR$. What is the ratio of the area of triangle PQS to the area of triangle RQS?
 $\frac{3}{2}$ $\frac{7}{4}$ $\frac{15}{8}$ $\frac{16}{9}$ 2
- The height of isosceles trapezoid ABDC is 12 units. The length of diagonal AD is 15 units. What is the area of trapezoid ABDC in **FIGURE 3**?
72 90 96 108 180

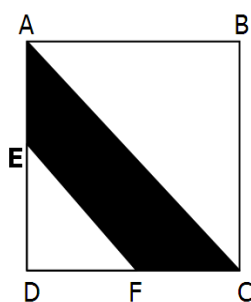


FIG 1

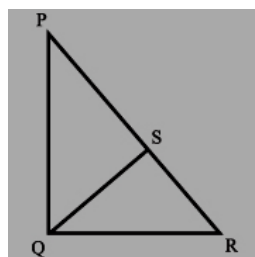


FIG 2

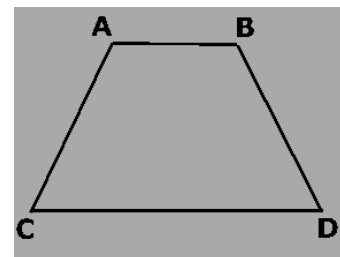


FIG 3

RC Passages

In the past decade, rapid technological progress and a greater demand for high-quality digital imaging have led to dramatic advances in video display technology. The dominant technology currently used in most consumer product displays is the active matrix liquid crystal diode display (LCD).

LCDs apply thin-film transistors (TFTs) of amorphous or polycrystalline silicon sandwiched between two glass plates. The TFTs supply voltage to liquid-crystal-filled cells, or pixels, between the sheets of glass. When hit with an electric charge, the liquid crystals untwist to an exact degree to filter white light generated by a lamp. This filtered light shines directly on the viewing screen or, in the case of projection televisions, is projected through a small chip that acts as a lens. LCDs that are capable of producing color images, such as in televisions and computers, reproduce colors through a process of subtraction, blocking out particular color wavelengths from the spectrum of white light until only the desired color remains. It is the variation of the intensity of light permitted to pass through the matrix of liquid crystals that enables LCD displays to present images full of gradations of different colors.

The nature and functioning of LCD displays present many advantages relative to other display technologies. The amount of power required to untwist the crystals to display images, even dark ones, is much lower than that required for analogous processes using other technologies, such as plasma. The dense array of crystals displays images from computer or other video graphics sources extremely well, with full color detail, no flicker, and no screen burn-in. Moreover, the number of pixels per square inch on an LCD display is typically higher than that for other display technologies, so LCD monitors are particularly good at displaying large amounts of data with exceptional clarity and precision. As a result, LCD TVs are considered the best display platform for video games, high definition television, movie special effects, and other graphics-intensive uses.

1. The tone of the passage could best be described as
 - (A) supportive advocacy
 - (B) cautious endorsement
 - (C) disinterested explanation
 - (D) intellectual exploration
 - (E) qualified support
2. The passage indicates that each of the following may be considered an advantage of LCD displays relative to other display technologies EXCEPT
 - (A) they consume less power
 - (B) they generally have more pixels per square inch of the display
 - (C) they are able to display continuous video graphics images with no interruption
 - (D) they reflect a widely adopted standard
 - (E) they represent the latest, most advanced technology
3. The process through which an LCD monitor displays different colors is most closely analogous to
 - (A) An hourglass partially blocked such that a limited stream of grains of sand fall into the lower portion
 - (B) A series of filters that separate all of the components of a mixture according to size
 - (C) A recording studio soundproofed so that any performances within are muted to those outside
 - (D) A piece of construction paper with outlines of characters cut out such that a lamp in front of the paper casts shadows in the shapes of the characters
 - (E) An air vent that emits warmer air outside of a building while an air conditioning system cools the interior of the building

In 1977 the prestigious Ewha Women's University in Seoul, Korea, announced the opening of the first women's studies program in Asia. Few academic programs have ever received such public attention. In broadcast debates, critics dismissed the program as a betrayal of national identity, an imitation of Western ideas, and a distraction from the real task of national unification and economic development. Even supporters underestimated the program; they thought it would be merely another of the many Western ideas that had already proved useful in Asian culture, akin to airlines, electricity, and the assembly line. The founders of the program, however, realized that neither view was correct. They had some reservations about the applicability of Western feminist theories to the role of women in Asia and felt that such theories should be closely examined. Their approach has thus far yielded important critiques of Western theory, informed by the special experience of Asian women.

For instance, like the Western feminist critique of the Freudian model of the human psyche, the Korean critique finds Freudian theory culture-bound, but in ways different from those cited by Western theorists. The Korean theorists claim that Freudian theory assumes the universality of the Western nuclear, male-headed family and focuses on the personality formation of the individual, independent of society. An analysis based on such assumptions could be valid for a highly competitive, individualistic society. In the Freudian family drama, family members are assumed to be engaged in a Darwinian struggle against each other—father against son and sibling against sibling. Such a concept projects the competitive model of Western society onto human personalities. But in the Asian concept of personality there is no ideal attached to individualism or to the independent self. The Western model of personality development does not explain major characteristics of the Korean personality, which is social and group-centered. The "self" is a social being defined by and acting in a group, and the well-being of both men and women is determined by the equilibrium of the group, not by individual self-assertion. The ideal is one of interdependency.

In such a context, what is recognized as "dependency" in Western psychiatric terms is not, in Korean terms, an admission of weakness or failure. All this bears directly on the Asian perception of men's and women's psychology because men are also "dependent." In Korean culture, men cry and otherwise easily show their emotions, something that might be considered a betrayal of masculinity in Western culture. In the kinship-based society of Korea, four generations may live in the same house, which means that people can be sons and daughters all their lives, whereas in Western culture, the roles of husband and son, wife and daughter, are often incompatible.

1. Which of the following best summarizes the content of the passage?
 - A. A critique of a particular women's studies program
 - B. A report of work in social theory done by a particular women's studies program
 - C. An assessment of the strengths and weaknesses of a particular women's studies program
 - D. An analysis of the philosophy underlying women's studies programs
 - E. An abbreviated history of Korean women's studies programs
2. Which of the following conclusions about the introduction of Western ideas to Korean society can be supported by information contained in the passage?
 - A. Except for technological innovations, few Western ideas have been successfully transplanted into Korean society.
 - B. The introduction of Western ideas to Korean society is viewed by some Koreans as a challenge to Korean identity.
 - C. The development of the Korean economy depends heavily on the development of new academic programs modeled after Western programs.
 - D. The extent to which Western ideas must be adapted for acceptance by Korean society is minimal.
 - E. The introduction of Western ideas to Korean society accelerated after 1977.
3. It can be inferred from the passage that the broadcast media in Korea considered the establishment of the Ewha women's studies program
 - A. praiseworthy
 - B. insignificant
 - C. newsworthy
 - D. imitative
 - E. incomprehensible

CR: Choose the correct answer asked at the end of each passage.

1. Everyone who has graduated from Topnotch High School has an intelligence quotient (IQ) of over 120. Most students with an IQ of over 120 and all students with an IQ of over 150 who apply to one or more Ivy League universities are accepted to at least one of them.

The statements above, if true, best support which of the following conclusions?

- A. Every graduate of Topnotch High School with an IQ of 150 has been accepted to at least one Ivy-League school.
 - B. If a person is a high-school graduate and has an IQ of less than 100, he or she could not have been a student at Topnotch High School.
 - C. At least one graduate from topnotch high school who has applied to at least one Ivy-League university has been accepted to one of them.
 - D. If a high-school graduate has an IQ of 150 and is not attending an Ivy-League school, then he or she did not apply to one of them.
 - E. If a person has an IQ of 130 and is attending an Ivy-League school, it is possible for him or her to have graduated from Topnotch High School.
2. In response to the increasing cost of producing energy through traditional means, such as combustion, many utility companies have begun investing in renewable energy sources, chiefly wind and solar power, hoping someday to rely on them completely and thus lower energy costs. These sources require significant initial capital investment, but the operating costs are not so high; so the utility companies claim that they will provide stable energy supplies at low costs. As one can easily see, these sources will be less risky for the utilities than non-renewable sources, such as gas, oil, and coal, whose prices can fluctuate dramatically according to availability.

The claim of the utility companies assumes which of the following?

- A. The public will embrace the development of wind and solar power.
 - B. No new deposits of gas, oil, and coal will be discovered in the near future.
 - C. Weather patterns are consistent and predictable.
 - D. The necessary technology for conversion to wind and solar power is not more expensive than the technology needed to create energy through combustion.
 - E. Obtaining energy from non-renewable sources, such as gas, oil and coal, cannot be made less risky.
3. **Doctor:** Research shows that adolescents who play video games on a regular basis are three times as likely to develop carpal tunnel syndrome as are adolescents who do not play video games. Federal legislation that prohibits the sale of video games to minors would help curb this painful wrist condition among adolescents.

The doctor's conclusion depends on which of the following assumptions?

- A. The majority of federal legislators would vote for a bill that prohibits the sale of video games to minors.
 - B. Not all adolescents who play video games on a regular basis suffer from carpal tunnel syndrome.
 - C. Playing video games is the only way an adolescent can develop carpal tunnel syndrome.
 - D. Most parents would refuse to purchase video games for their adolescent children.
 - E. The regular playing of video games by adolescents does not produce such beneficial effects as better hand-eye coordination and improved reaction time.
4. Profits for one of Company X's flagship products have been declining slowly for several years. The CFO investigated and determined that inflation has raised the cost of producing the product but consumers who were surveyed reported that they weren't willing to pay more than the current price. As a result, the CFO recommended that the company stop producing this product because the CEO only wants products whose profit margins are increasing.

The answer to which of the following questions would be most useful in evaluating whether the CFO's decision to divest the company of its flagship product is warranted?

- A. Does the company have new and profitable products available with which to replace the flagship product?
- B. What percentage of Company X's revenues is represented by sales of the flagship product in question?
- C. Are there additional features which could be added to the product and for which consumers might be willing to pay a higher price?
- D. Will the rest of Company X's management team agree with the CFO's recommendation?
- E. Is there a way to alter the manufacturing or distribution processes in order to reduce the cost to produce the flagship product?

5. There is relatively little room for growth in the overall carpet market, which is tied to the size of the population. Most who purchase carpet do so only once or twice, first in their twenties or thirties, and then perhaps again in their fifties or sixties. Thus as the population ages, companies producing carpet will be able to gain market share in the carpet market only through purchasing competitors, and not through more aggressive marketing.

Which one of the following, if true, casts the most doubt on the conclusion above?

- A. Two of the three mergers in the industry's last ten years led to a decline in profits and revenues for the newly merged companies.
 - B. Most of the major carpet producers market other floor coverings as well.
 - C. Most established carpet producers market several different brand names and varieties, and there is no remaining niche in the market for new brands to fill.
 - D. Price reductions, achieved by cost-cutting in production, by some of the dominant firms in the carpet market are causing other producers to leave the market altogether.
 - E. The carpet market is unlike most markets in that consumers are becoming increasingly resistant to new patterns and styles.
6. **Columnist:** George Orwell's book *1984* has exercised much influence on a great number of this newspaper's readers. One thousand readers were surveyed and asked to name the one book that had the most influence on their lives. The book chosen most often was the Bible; *1984* was second.

The answer to which one of the following questions would most help in evaluating the columnist's argument?

- A. How many of those surveyed had actually read the books they chose?
 - B. How many books had each person surveyed read?
 - C. How many people read the columnist's newspaper?
 - D. How many books by George Orwell other than *1984* were chosen?
 - E. How many people chose *1984*
7. In the 18th and 19th centuries, it was believed in many coastal American cities that the waterfront was an undesirable location for residential buildings. As a result, much of the waterfront in these cities was never developed aesthetically and instead was left to industry and commerce. Today, however, waterfront properties are generally seen as prestigious, as evidenced by the large sums paid for homes along the beach front. A developer who wishes to make a large profit would be wise to buy urban waterfront lots and erect residential buildings on them.

Which of the following, if true, most strongly supports the claim made about urban waterfront properties?

- A. People today have more money, relatively speaking, to spend on real estate than they did in previous centuries.
 - B. Many coastal American cities are encouraging developers to rehabilitate the waterfront through tax incentives.
 - C. Homeowners will be willing to spend large sums on residential properties in traditionally industrial or commercial districts.
 - D. Many urban waterfront lots are available for purchase.
 - E. Properties in interior residential districts in coastal American cities are significantly more expensive than those along the waterfront.
8. In the United States, of the people who moved from one state to another when they retired, the percentage who retired to Florida has decreased by three percentage points over the past ten years. Since many local businesses in Florida cater to retirees, these declines are likely to have a noticeably negative economic effect on these businesses and therefore on the economy of Florida.

Which of the following, if true, most seriously weakens the argument given?

- A. People who moved from one state to another when they retired moved a greater distance, on average, last year than such people did ten years ago.
- B. People were more likely to retire to North Carolina from another state last year than people were ten years ago.
- C. The number of people who moved from one state to another when they retired has increased significantly over the past ten years.
- D. The number of people who left Florida when they retired to live in another state was greater last year than it was ten years ago.
- E. Florida attracts more people who move from one state to another when they retire than does any other state.

Directions: Choose the answer that produces the most effective sentence, aiming to eliminate awkwardness, ambiguity, redundancy, and grammatical error.

1. Before scientists learned how to make a synthetic growth hormone, removing it painstakingly in small amounts from the pituitary glands of human cadavers.
 - A. scientists learned how to make a synthetic growth hormone, removing it painstakingly
 - B. scientists had learned about making a synthetic growth hormone, they had to remove it painstakingly
 - C. scientists learned how to synthesize the growth hormone, it had to be painstakingly removed
 - D. learning how to make a synthetic growth hormone, scientists had to remove it painstakingly
 - E. learning how to synthesize the growth hormone, it had to be painstakingly removed by scientists
2. Greatly influenced by the Protestant missionary Samuel Kirkland, the Oneida was the only one of the five-nation Iroquois League who sided with the colonists during the American Revolution.
 - A. was the only one of the five-nation Iroquois League who sided
 - B. was alone of the five-nation Iroquois League when they sided
 - C. alone among the five nations of the Iroquois League sided
 - D. were the only ones out of the five nations of the Iroquois League in siding
 - E. only of the five-nation Iroquois League had sided
3. Although she had been known as an effective legislator first in the Texas Senate and later in the United States House of Representatives, not until Barbara Jordan's participation in the hearings on the impeachment of President Richard Nixon in 1974 was she made a nationally recognized figure, as it was televised nationwide.
 - A. later in the United States House of Representatives, not until Barbara Jordan's participation in the hearings on the impeachment of President Richard Nixon in 1974 was she made a nationally recognized figure, as it was
 - B. later in the United States House of Representatives, Barbara Jordan did not become a nationally recognized figure until 1974, when she participated in the hearings on the impeachment of President Richard Nixon, which were
 - C. later in the United States House of Representatives, it was not until 1974 that Barbara Jordan became a nationally recognized figure, with her participation in the hearings on the impeachment of President Richard Nixon, which was
 - D. then also later in the United States House of Representatives, not until 1974 did Barbara Jordan become a nationally recognized figure, as she participated in the hearings on the impeachment of President Richard Nixon, being
 - E. then also later in the United States House of Representatives, Barbara Jordan did not become a nationally recognized figure until 1974, when she participated in the hearings on the impeachment of President Richard Nixon, which was
4. The Achaemenid empire of Persia reached the Indus Valley in the fifth century B.C., bringing the Aramaic script with it, from which was derived both northern and southern Indian alphabets.
 - A. the Aramaic script with it, from which was derived both northern and
 - B. the Aramaic script with it, and from which deriving both the northern and the
 - C. with it the Aramaic script, from which derive both the northern and the
 - D. with it the Aramaic script, from which derives both northern and
 - E. with it the Aramaic script, and deriving from it both the northern and
5. The company announced that its profits declined much less in the second quarter than analysts had expected it to and its business will improve in the second half of the year.
 - A. had expected it to and its business will improve
 - B. had expected and that its business would improve
 - C. expected it would and that it will improve its business
 - D. expected them to and its business would improve
 - E. expected and that it will have improved its business
6. With its plan to develop seven and a half acres of shore land, Cleveland is but one of a large number of communities on the Great Lakes that is looking to its waterfront as a way to improve the quality of urban life and attract new businesses.
 - A. is looking to its waterfront as a way to improve the quality of urban life and attract
 - B. is looking at its waterfront to improve the quality of urban life and attract
 - C. are looking to their waterfronts to improve the quality of urban life and attract
 - D. are looking to its waterfront as a way of improving the quality of urban life and attracting
 - E. are looking to their waterfronts as a way they can improve the quality of urban life and attract

7. However much United States voters may agree that there is waste in government and that the government as a whole spends beyond its means, it is difficult to find broad support for a movement toward a minimal state.
- However much United States voters may agree that
 - Despite the agreement among United States voters to the fact
 - Although United States voters agree
 - Even though United States voters may agree
 - There is agreement among United States voters that
8. In one of the most stunning reversals in the history of marketing, the Coca-Cola Company in July 1985 yielded to thousands of irate consumers demanding that it should bring back the original Coke formula.
- demanding that it should
 - demanding it to
 - and their demand to
 - who demanded that it
 - who demanded it to
9. Because of the enormous research and development expenditures required to survive in the electronics industry, an industry marked by rapid innovation and volatile demand, such firms tend to be very large.
- to survive
 - of firms to survive
 - for surviving
 - for survival
 - for firms' survival
10. Manifestations of Islamic political militancy in the first period of religious reformism were the rise of the Wahhabis in Arabia, the Sanusi in Cyrenaica, the Fulani in Nigeria, the Mahdi in the Sudan, and the victory of the Usuli "mujtahids" in Shiite Iran and Iraq.
- Manifestations of Islamic political militancy in the first period of religious reformism were the rise of the Wahhabis in Arabia, the Sanusi in Cyrenaica, the Fulani in Nigeria, the Mahdi in the Sudan, and
 - Manifestations of Islamic political militancy in the first period of religious reformism were shown in the rise of the Wahhabis in Arabia, the Sanusi in Cyrenaica, the Fulani in Nigeria, the Mahdi in the Sudan, and also
 - In the first period of religious reformism, manifestations of Islamic political militancy were the rise of the Wahhabis in Arabia, of the Sanusi in Cyrenaica, the Fulani in Nigeria, the Mahdi in the Sudan, and
 - In the first period of religious reformism, manifestations of Islamic political militancy were shown in the rise of the Wahhabis in Arabia, the Sanusi in Cyrenaica, the Fulani in Nigeria, the Mahdi in the Sudan, and
 - In the first period of religious reformism, Islamic political militancy was manifested in the rise of the Wahhabis in Arabia, the Sanusi in Cyrenaica, the Fulani in Nigeria, and the Mahdi in the Sudan, and in
11. Scientists have identified an asteroid, 2000 BF19, that is about half a mile wide and, if it strikes Earth, it can do tremendous damage to part of the planet but probably not cause planet-wide destruction.
- and, if it strikes Earth, it can do tremendous damage to part of the planet but
 - and, if it would strike Earth, part of the planet could experience a tremendous amount of damage but it would
 - and that, if it were to strike Earth, could do tremendous damage to part of the planet but would
 - and that, if Earth is struck by it, can do part of the planet tremendous damage, but it would
 - and that, if it strikes Earth, it could experience a tremendous amount of damage but
12. In the Louisiana Purchase of 1803, the United States acquired 828,000 square miles for about four cents an acre, which more than doubled the country's size and that brought its western border within reach of the Pacific Ocean.
- In the Louisiana Purchase of 1803, the United States acquired 828,000 square miles for about four cents an acre, which more than doubled the country's size and that brought
 - For about four cents an acre the United States acquired, in the Louisiana Purchase of 1803, 828,000 square miles, more than doubling the country's size and it brought
 - With the Louisiana Purchase in 1803, the United States acquired 828,000 square miles for about four cents an acre, more than doubling its size and bringing
 - The United States, in the Louisiana Purchase of 1803, for about four cents an acre, acquired 828,000 square miles, more than doubling the country's size, bringing
 - Acquiring 828,000 square miles in the Louisiana Purchase of 1803, the United States bought it for about four cents an acre, more than doubling the country's size and bringing

13. Heavy commitment by an executive to a course of action, especially if it has worked well in the past, makes it likely to miss signs of incipient trouble or misinterpret them when they do appear.
- A. Heavy commitment by an executive to a course of action, especially if it has worked well in the past, makes it likely to miss signs of incipient trouble or misinterpret them when they do appear.
 - B. An executive who is heavily committed to a course of action, especially one that worked well in the past, makes missing signs of incipient trouble or misinterpreting ones likely when they do appear.
 - C. An executive who is heavily committed to a course of action is likely to miss or misinterpret signs of incipient trouble when they do appear, especially if it has worked well in the past.
 - D. Executives' being heavily committed to a course of action, especially if it has worked well in the past, makes them likely to miss signs of incipient trouble or misinterpreting them when they do appear.
 - E. Being heavily committed to a course of action, especially one that has worked well in the past, is likely to make an executive miss signs of incipient trouble or misinterpret them when they do appear.
14. Even though Clovis points, spear points with longitudinal grooves chipped onto their faces, have been found all over North America, they are named for the New Mexico site where they were first discovered in 1932.
- A. Even though Clovis points, spear points with longitudinal grooves chipped onto their faces, have been found all over North America, they are named for the New Mexico site where they were first discovered in 1932.
 - B. Although named for the New Mexico site where first discovered in 1932, Clovis points are spear points of longitudinal grooves chipped onto their faces and have been found all over North America.
 - C. Named for the New Mexico site where they have been first discovered in 1932, Clovis points, spear points of longitudinal grooves chipped onto the faces, have been found all over North America.
 - D. Spear points with longitudinal grooves that are chipped onto the faces, Clovis points, even though named for the New Mexico site where first discovered in 1932, but were found all over North America.
 - E. While Clovis points are spear points whose faces have longitudinal grooves chipped into them, they have been found all over North America, and named for the New Mexico site where they have been first discovered in 1932.
15. Used by many natural history museum curators in the preparation of animal skeletons for display, dermestid beetles feed on the decaying flesh of animal carcasses, pulling with its mouthparts to strip the bone of any residual fat or muscle tissue.
- A. dermestid beetles feed on the decaying flesh of animal carcasses, pulling
 - B. dermestid beetles feed on the decaying flesh of animal carcasses and pull
 - C. the dermestid beetle feeds on the decaying flesh of animal carcasses and pulls
 - D. the dermestid beetle feeds on the decaying flesh of animal carcasses, pulling
 - E. the dermestid beetle feeds on the decaying flesh of animal carcasses and it pulls
16. More than thirty years ago Dr. Barbara McClintock, the Nobel Prize winner, reported that genes can "jump," as pearls moving mysteriously from one necklace to another.
- A. as pearls moving mysteriously from one necklace to another
 - B. like pearls moving mysteriously from one necklace to another
 - C. as pearls do that move mysteriously from one necklace to others
 - D. like pearls do that move mysteriously from one necklace to others
 - E. as do pearls that move mysteriously from one necklace to some other one
17. Most of the purported health benefits of tea comes from antioxidants—compounds also found in beta carotene, vitamin E, and vitamin C that inhibit the formation of plaque along the body's blood vessels.
- A. comes from antioxidants—compounds also found in beta carotene, vitamin E, and vitamin C that
 - B. comes from antioxidants—compounds that are also found in beta carotene, vitamin E, and vitamin C, and they
 - C. come from antioxidants—compounds also found in beta carotene, vitamin E, and vitamin C, and
 - D. come from antioxidants—compounds that are also found in beta carotene, vitamin E, and vitamin C and that
 - E. come from antioxidants—compounds also found in beta carotene, vitamin E, and vitamin C, and they
18. Sound can travel through water for enormous distances, prevented from dissipating its acoustic energy as a result of boundaries in the ocean created by water layers of different temperatures and densities.
- A. prevented from dissipating its acoustic energy as a result of
 - B. prevented from having its acoustic energy dissipated by
 - C. its acoustic energy prevented from dissipating by
 - D. its acoustic energy prevented from being dissipated as a result of
 - E. preventing its acoustic energy from dissipating by

19. The hognose snake puts on an impressive bluff, hissing and rearing back, broadens the flesh behind its head the way a cobra does, feigning repeated strikes, but, having no dangerous fangs and no venom, eventually, if its pursuer is not cowed by the performance, will fall over and play dead.
- broadens the flesh behind its head the way a cobra does, feigning repeated strikes, but, having no dangerous fangs and no venom,
 - broadens the flesh behind its head the way a cobra does and feigns repeated strikes, but with no dangerous fangs and no venom,
 - broadening the flesh behind its head the way a cobra does and feigning repeated strikes, but it has no dangerous fangs and no venom, and
 - broadening the flesh behind its head the way a cobra does and feigns repeated strikes, but with no dangerous fangs and no venom, and
 - broadening the flesh behind its head the way a cobra does, feigning repeated strikes, but with no dangerous fangs and no venom, and
20. Since 1990 the global economy has grown more than it did during the 10,000 years from the beginning of agriculture to 1950.
- Since 1990 the global economy has grown more than it did during the 10,000 years from the beginning of agriculture
 - Since 1990 the growth of the global economy has been more than that during 10,000 years, from when agriculture began
 - The growth of the global economy since 1990 exceeds that which had been for 10,000 years from the beginning of agriculture
 - The growth of the global economy since 1990 exceeds what it has been for 10,000 years, from when agriculture began
 - The growth of the global economy since 1990 exceeds what it did for the 10,000 years from the beginning of agriculture
21. Hydrocarbons, with which fruit flies perfume themselves in species-specific blends, are known to be important in courtship, and apparently this assists flies that taste the hydrocarbons on prospective mates to distinguish their own species from that of others.
- and apparently this assists flies that taste the hydrocarbons on prospective mates to distinguish their own species from that of
 - and apparently this assists flies when they taste the hydrocarbons on prospective mates in distinguishing their own species from those of
 - which apparently assists flies that taste the hydrocarbons on prospective mates in being able to distinguish their own species from
 - apparently assisting flies to taste the hydrocarbons on prospective mates to distinguish their own species from those of
 - apparently assisting flies that taste the hydrocarbons on prospective mates in distinguishing their own species from
22. Noting that the price of oil and other fuel components, a major factor in the cost structure of an airline, have risen and will continue to rise, the company management was pessimistic about their outlook for the upcoming quarter.
- have risen and will continue to rise, the company management was pessimistic about their
 - have risen and will continue to rise, the company management was pessimistic about the
 - will continue to rise, the company management was pessimistic about the
 - has risen and will continue to rise, the company management was pessimistic about their
 - will continue to rise, the company management was pessimistic about their
23. Given its authoritative coverage of other science topics, the textbook's chapter on genetics is surprisingly tentative, which leads one to doubt the author's scholarship in that particular area.
- the textbook's chapter on genetics is surprisingly tentative, which leads
 - the chapter of the textbook on genetics is surprisingly tentative, leading
 - the textbook contains a surprising and tentative chapter on genetics, which leads
 - the textbook's chapter on genetics is surprisingly tentative and leads
 - the textbook is surprisingly tentative in its chapter on genetics, leading

24. Since 1989, after the Berlin Wall had been demolished, one of the most problematic ethnic groups in the reunified Germany, in cultural and economic assimilation terms, were the former East Germans, who have had to acclimate to an entirely different political system.
- A. after the Berlin Wall had been demolished, one of the most problematic ethnic groups in the reunified German, in cultural and economic assimilation terms, were the former East Germans
 - B. after the Berlin Wall was demolished, one of the most problematic ethnic groups in the reunified Germany, in cultural terms as well as those of economic assimilation, were the former East Germans
 - C. when the Berlin Wall was demolished, one of the reunified Germany's most problematic ethnic groups, in terms of cultural and economic assimilation, was the former East Germans
 - D. when the Berlin Wall was demolished, one of the most problematic ethnic groups in the reunified Germany, in terms of cultural and economic assimilation, has been the former East Germans
 - E. after the Berlin Wall had been demolished, one of the most problematic ethnic groups in the reunified Germany, in both terms of cultural and economic assimilation, have been the former East Germans
25. The Federal Reserve announcement said that growth had accelerated after slowing in the second quarter and that the policy makers remain concerned about the prospects of inflation, even though there are few signs of higher energy prices driving up the cost of other goods so far.
- A. that growth had accelerated after slowing in the second quarter and that the policy makers remain concerned about the prospects of inflation, even though there are few
 - B. growth had accelerated after slowing in the second quarter and that the policy makers remain concerned about the prospects of inflation, even though there are few
 - C. that growth had accelerated after slowing in the second quarter and the policy makers remain concerned about the prospects of inflation, even though there are few
 - D. growth had accelerated after slowing in the second quarter and the policy makers remain concerned about the prospects of inflation, even though there are few
 - E. that growth accelerated after slowing in the second quarter and that the policy makers remain concerned about the prospects of inflation, even though there are few
26. Rather than accept the conventional wisdom that the earth was flat, Christopher Columbus was sent by the king and queen of Spain to see if he could reach India by traveling west.
- A. Rather than accept the conventional wisdom that the earth was flat, Christopher Columbus was sent by the king and queen of Spain to see if he could reach India by traveling west.
 - B. Rather than accepting the conventional wisdom that the earth was flat, Christopher Columbus was sent by the king and queen of Spain to see if he could reach India by sailing west.
 - C. Instead of accepting the conventional wisdom that the earth was flat, Christopher Columbus sailed west to see whether he could reach India, having been sent by the king and queen of Spain.
 - D. Rather than accept the conventional wisdom that the earth was flat, Christopher Columbus sailed west to see whether he could reach India, having been sent by the king and queen of Spain.
 - E. Instead of accepting the conventional wisdom that the earth was flat, Christopher Columbus was sent by the king and queen of Spain to sail west to see if he could reach India.
27. In the remote western province of China, the prevailing price for a large bowl of noodles, which are a staple in the region, rose from 27 cents to 31 cents overnight, prompting allegations that noodle shop owners had colluded to fix their prices.
- A. rose from 27 cents to 31 cents overnight, prompting allegations that noodle shop owners had
 - B. rose from 27 cents to 31 cents overnight, and prompts allegations that noodle shop owners had
 - C. had risen from 27 cents to 31 cents overnight, prompting allegations that noodle shop owners
 - D. had risen from 27 cents to 31 cents overnight, prompting allegations that noodle shop owners had
 - E. raised from 27 cents to 31 cents overnight, prompting allegations that noodle shop owners had
28. So-called green taxes, which exact a price for the use of polluting or nonrenewable fuels, are having a positive effect on the environment and natural resource base of countries as varied as China, the Netherlands, and Hungary.
- A. as varied as
 - B. as varied as are
 - C. as varied as those of
 - D. that are as varied as
 - E. that are varied as are

29. Nearly 2000 years after its initial construction, the United Nations declared the Roman aqueduct of Segovia to be a Heritage of Humanity in 1985, prompting the Spanish government to begin renovations on the aqueduct, which had been deteriorating.
- A. Nearly 2000 years after its initial construction, the United Nations declared the Roman aqueduct of Segovia to be a Heritage of Humanity in 1985, prompting the Spanish government to begin renovations on the aqueduct, which had been deteriorating.
 - B. Since its initial construction nearly 2000 years earlier, the Roman aqueduct of Segovia had been deteriorating, prompting the Spanish government to begin renovations after the United Nations declared the aqueduct to be a Heritage of Humanity in 1985.
 - C. After being declared a Heritage of Humanity by the United Nations in 1985, the Spanish government began renovations on the Roman aqueduct of Segovia, which had been deteriorating since its initial construction nearly 2000 years earlier.
 - D. In 1985, the United Nations declared the Roman Aqueduct of Segovia to be a Heritage of Humanity and prompted the Spanish government to begin renovations on the aqueduct, which had been deteriorating since its initial construction nearly 2000 years earlier.
 - E. In 1985, the United Nations declared the Roman aqueduct of Segovia a Heritage of Humanity, prompting the Spanish government to begin renovations on the aqueduct, which had been deteriorating since its initial construction nearly 2000 years earlier.
30. The Environmental Protection Agency frequently puts mandatory controls on toxic substances that present as little risk as one in a million chances to cause cancer.
- A. as little risk as one in a million chances to cause
 - B. as little risk as one chance in a million of causing
 - C. as little risk as one chance in a million that it will cause
 - D. a risk as little as one chance in a million for causing
 - E. a risk as little as one chance in a million for it to cause
31. Heirloom tomatoes, grown from seeds saved from the previous year, only look less appetizing than their round and red supermarket cousins, often green and striped, or have plenty of bumps and bruises, but are more flavorful.
- A. cousins, often green and striped, or have plenty of bumps and bruises, but are
 - B. cousins, often green and striped, or with plenty of bumps and bruises, although
 - C. cousins, often green and striped, or they have plenty of bumps and bruises, although they are
 - D. cousins; they are often green and striped, or with plenty of bumps and bruises, although
 - E. cousins; they are often green and striped, or have plenty of bumps and bruises, but they are
32. Today's technology allows manufacturers to make small cars more fuel-efficient now than at any time in their production history.
- A. small cars more fuel-efficient now than at any time in their
 - B. small cars that are more fuel-efficient than they were at any time in their
 - C. small cars that are more fuel-efficient than those at any other time in
 - D. more fuel-efficient small cars than those at any other time in their
 - E. more fuel-efficient small cars now than at any time in
33. Antarctica receives more solar radiation than does any other place on Earth, yet the temperatures are so cold and the ice cap is reflective, so that little polar ice melts during the summer; otherwise, the water levels of the oceans would rise 250 feet and engulf most of the world's great cities.
- A. is reflective, so that little polar ice melts during the summer; otherwise,
 - B. is so reflective that little of the polar ice melts during the summer; were it to do so,
 - C. so reflective that little polar ice melts during the summer, or else
 - D. reflective, so that little of the polar ice melts during the summer, or
 - E. reflects so that little of the polar ice melts during the summer; if it did
34. Industrialization and modern methods of insect control have improved the standard of living around the globe while at the same time they have introduced some 100,000 dangerous chemical pollutants, having gone virtually unregulated since they were developed more than 50 years ago.
- A. while at the same time they have introduced some 100,000 dangerous chemical pollutants, having
 - B. while at the same time introducing some 100,000 dangerous chemical pollutants that have
 - C. while they have introduced some 100,000 dangerous chemical pollutants at the same time, which have
 - D. but introducing some 100,000 dangerous chemical pollutants at the same time that have
 - E. but at the same time introducing some 100,000 dangerous chemical pollutants, having

35. A New York City ordinance of 1897 regulated the use of bicycles, mandated a maximum speed of eight miles an hour, required of cyclists to keep feet on pedals and hands on handlebars at all times, and it granted pedestrians right-of-way.
- A. regulated the use of bicycles, mandated a maximum speed of eight miles an hour, required of cyclists to keep feet on pedals and hands on handlebars at all times, and it granted
 - B. regulated the use of bicycles, mandated a maximum speed of eight miles an hour, required cyclists to keep feet on pedals and hands on handlebars at all times, granting
 - C. regulating the use of bicycles mandated a maximum speed of eight miles an hour, required cyclists that they keep feet on pedals and hands on handlebars at all times, and it granted
 - D. regulating the use of bicycles, mandating a maximum speed of eight miles an hour, requiring of cyclists that they keep feet on pedals and hands on handlebars at all times, and granted
 - E. regulating the use of bicycles mandated a maximum speed of eight miles an hour, required cyclists to keep feet on pedals and hands on handlebars at all times, and granted
36. Many environmentalists, and some economists, say that free trade encourages industry to relocate to countries with ineffective or poorly enforced antipollution laws, mostly in the developing world, and that, in order to maintain competitiveness, rich nations have joined this downward slide toward more lax attitudes about pollution.
- A. that, in order to maintain competitiveness, rich nations have joined this downward slide toward more lax attitudes about pollution
 - B. that, for maintaining competitiveness, rich nations join in this downward slide toward more lax attitudes about pollution
 - C. that rich nations join this downward slide toward more lax attitudes about pollution because of wanting to maintain competitiveness
 - D. that in rich nations, joining this downward slide toward more lax attitudes about pollution is a result of wanting to maintain competition
 - E. that wanting to maintain competition is making rich nations join in this downward slide toward an attitude about pollution that is more lax
37. Like any star of similar mass would do, once the Sun has exhausted the hydrogen in its core, it expands into a red giant, eventually ejecting its outer envelope of gases to become a white dwarf.
- A. Like any star of similar mass would do, once the Sun has exhausted the hydrogen in its core, it expands into a red giant, eventually ejecting
 - B. Like any star of similar mass, once the hydrogen in the Sun's core is exhausted, then it expands into a red giant and eventually ejects
 - C. As in the case of any star of similar mass, once the hydrogen in the Sun's core is exhausted, it will expand into a red giant, and eventually ejecting
 - D. As any star of similar mass would, once the hydrogen in the Sun's core is exhausted it will expand into a red giant and will eventually eject
 - E. As would be the case with any star of similar mass, once the Sun exhausts the hydrogen in its core, it will expand into a red giant and eventually eject
38. As the former chair of the planning board for 18 consecutive years and a board member for 28 years, Joan Philkill attended more than 400 meetings and reviewed more than 700 rezoning applications.
- A. As the former
 - B. The former
 - C. Former
 - D. She was
 - E. As the

COMPULSORY Homework before Session 2

Indicate grammar errors, if any, in the following sentences:

1. Every day, the scent of apples and cinnamon sticks permeate throughout the cider mill, causing most visitors to purchase snacks while on the tour.
2. This is one of those (book / books) that (was / were) published last year.
3. Dhoni is one of those cricketers who (does / do) modelling assignments.
4. One of my (friend / friends) (is an IT professional / are IT professionals).
 - a. He is one of my friends who (is an IT professional / are IT professionals).
 - b. He is only one / just one / but one of my friends who (is an IT professional / are IT professionals).
 - c. He is the only one of my friends who (is an IT professional / are IT professionals).
 - d. The French (is / are) usually fashion-conscious people.
5. They each (is / are) applying for the same job.
6. What concern me (is the election result / are the election results).
7. Around the corner, there (is / are) a bakery and a supermarket.
8. A new generation of electronic products, gizmos, and gadgets, which happen to be as short-lived as one would expect, leading to utter chaos among the members of the common citizenry, (creep / creeps) up every year.
9. Each of the five boys (do / does) (his / their) homework in time.

Check the following (10-20) for parallel structure:

10. According to the teachings of the Buddhist and Hindu religions, attaining nirvana is to enter a state of supreme liberation.
11. He said that the college rusticated him and his future was bleak. / The scientist proved that the research needed a new investment but he would not like federal intervention.
12. The rebels demanded the withdrawal of government forces from disputed regions, significant reductions in overall troop levels, (raising / the raising of) the rebel flag on holidays, AND a general pardon.
13. The rebels demanded the withdrawal of government forces from disputed regions AND (releasing / the releasing of / the release of) certain political prisoners.
14. The match was interesting but fixed. / The sizzler was spicy, appetizing, but a bit overcooked. / Because of strained budgets and fading public support, Indian Hockey is dying a slow death.
15. The man speaking at the event talked about the dangers of the war, cracked many jokes, and enthralled the audience by his witty one-liners.
16. The increased popularity and availability of televisions has led to the decline of regional dialects, language variations originating from diverse ethnic and cultural heritages and perpetuated by geographic isolation.
17. The growth of the railroads led to the abolition of local times, determined by when the sun reached the observer's meridian and differing from city to city, and to the establishment of regional times.
18. The stock market crashed, which caused a lot of people to lose money. OR The stock market crashed, and it caused a lot of people to lose money. OR The stock market crashed and caused a lot of people to lose money. OR The stock market crashed, causing a lot of people to lose money.
19. Mumbai houses 20 million people, the cultural capital of India, and has a lot of potential for a newcomer with dreams.
20. Since the teacher introduced the classroom reward system, students have begun paying closer attention, completing homework, following directions, and have stopped causing disruptions during lessons.
21. In 1975, Sippy produced a film that became the biggest blockbuster that Indian Cinema had ever seen.
22. The Supreme Court decreed that he should take charge of the situation. / I insist that she should be quiet.
23. India (has progressed / had progressed / progressed) progressed throughout the 20th century.
24. The patient (had died / died) before the doctor (reached / had reached).

25. By the age of 21, Akbar (ruled / had ruled) India for eight years. / By 1991, Jazz music (became / had become) very popular in India.
26. It is raining for 3 hours / it has rained for 3 hours / it has been raining for 3 hours.
27. Although it (stopped / has stopped) raining, I am still feeling cold.
28. The parents tried to explain the risks involved in hitch hiking, but it was useless.
29. Real Estate analysts have found that home prices have nearly doubled in the last ten years in the Southern California market, which is consistent with the increases in population and inflation there.
30. Jane's first novel was so well received that she thought of writing its sequel. / Jane's first novel was so well received that her bank balance soared.
31. While most Americans have heard of and used Microsoft products, few people know that its name is actually short for "microcomputer software."
32. While the company insists that its starting salary for a man working in the executive branch of the organization be the same as a woman in equal capacity, the watchdog group found a significant gender wage gap.
33. The sixth Harry Potter book, by British author J.K. Rowling, sold a record 8.9 million copies in the first 24 hours it was on sale—more than any author till date.
34. (As / Like) I mentioned earlier, the test date has been moved up.
35. (As / like) other children in her neighbourhood who were home-schooled, Joan sometimes missed being in a classroom with her peers.
36. (As / like) a doctor, she earns a lot of respect. / The nurse performed the emergency surgery (as / like) a doctor.
37. This wall acts (as / like) a buffer. / My cooler cools (as / like) an air-conditioner. / This window creaks (as / like) a window. / He jumped (as / like) a clown.
38. Walking through the desolate lanes of the deserted city, (vandalism became apparent / it became apparent that the city had been vandalized).
39. Upon leaving the counter, the cashier handed the customer a receipt.
40. Unskilled in complex math, Bill's score on the entrance exam was poor.
41. Overjoyed by the quarterly results, a new bonus scheme was immediately announced by the manager.
42. Although the area had little traffic and pedestrians, the developers were convinced that the restaurant should be opened in the district; it was only a matter of time before urban sprawl would bring residents and visitors alike.
43. The Battle of Gettysburg, considered the turning point of the Civil War, saw one-third of its participants killed and injured.
44. Joan looked nervous, her fears creeping up on her.
45. The coach tried to put 5 receivers on the line, which ultimately failed.
46. In America, as in anywhere else in the world, we must find a focus in our lives at an early age, a focus that is beyond the mechanics of earning a living or coping with a household.
47. If I meet her, I will tell her a story.
48. If I met her, I would tell her a story. OR If I were to meet her, I would tell her a story. OR Were I to meet her, I would tell her a story.
49. If I had met her, I would have told her a story.
50. There are hopeful signs that we are shifting away from our heavy reliance on fossil fuels: more than ten times as much energy is (generated through wind power now as it was / generated through wind power now as was the case) in 1990.

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