

1. That the new managing editor rose from the publications soft news sections to a leadership position is more of a landmark in the industry than her being a woman.
- A. her being a woman
 - B. being a woman is
 - C. her womanhood
 - D. that she was a woman
 - E. that she is a woman
2. In a leveraged buyout, investors borrow huge sums of money to buy companies, hoping to pay off the debt by using the company's earnings and to profit richly by the later resale of the companies or their divisions.
- A. by using the company's earnings and to profit
 - B. by using the companies' earnings and by profiting
 - C. using the companies' earnings and profiting
 - D. with the company's earnings, profiting
 - E. with the companies' earnings and to profit
3. Legislation in the Canadian province of Ontario requires of both public and private employers that pay be the same for jobs historically held by women as for jobs requiring comparable skill that are usually held by men.
- (A) that pay be the same for jobs historically held by women as for jobs requiring comparable skill that are
 - (B) that pay for jobs historically held by women should be the same as for a job requiring comparable skills
 - (C) to pay the same in jobs historically held by women as in jobs of comparable skill that are
 - (D) to pay the same regardless of whether a job was historically held by women or is one demanding comparable skills
 - (E) to pay as much for jobs historically held by women as for a job demanding comparable skills
4. In order to evenly and effectively paint a rough surface, it is necessary to sand it and apply primer before applying the paint.
- (A) it and apply primer before applying the paint
 - (B) it and prime it and paint it
 - (C) it, then prime it, then paint it

(D) the surface and apply primer before you
apply paint to the surface

(E) the surface, apply primer to the surface and then paint it

- 5 . A decade after initiating the nation's most comprehensive and aggressive antismoking program, per capita consumption of cigarettes in California declined from over 125 packs annually per person to about 60, a drop more than twice as great as in the nation as a whole.

B. annual per capita consumption of cigarettes in California declined from over 125 packs to about 60, more than twice as great as that

C. California's annual per capita consumption of cigarettes declined from over 125 packs per person to about 60, more than twice as great as the drop

D. California has seen per capita consumption of cigarettes decline from over 125 packs annually to about 60, a drop more than twice as great as that

E. California has seen annual per capita consumption of cigarettes decline from over 125 packs per person to about 60, more than twice as great as that

- 6 . According to scientists at the University of California, the pattern of changes that have occurred in human DNA over the millennia **indicate the possibility that everyone alive today might be descended from a single female ancestor who** lived in Africa sometime between 140,000 and 280,000 years ago.

(A) indicate the possibility that everyone alive today might be descended from a single female ancestor who

(B) indicate that everyone alive today might possibly be a descendant of a single female ancestor who had

(C) may indicate that everyone alive today has descended from a single female ancestor who had

(D) indicates that everyone alive today may be a descendant of a single female ancestor who

(E) indicates that everyone alive today might be a descendant from a single female ancestor who

- 7 . A higher interest rate is only one of the factors, albeit an important one, that keeps the housing market from spiraling out of control, like it did earlier in the decade.

a) that keeps the housing market from spiraling out of control, like it did earlier in the decade.

b) that keep the housing market from spiraling out of control, as it did earlier in the decade

c) that keeps the housing market from spiraling out of control, as it did earlier in the decade

d) that keep the housing market from spiraling out of control, like earlier in the decade

e) that keep the housing market from spiraling out of control, like it did earlier in the decade

- 8 . As the etched lines on computer memory chips have become thinner and the chips' circuits more complex,
both the power of the chips and the electronic devices they drive have vastly increased.

(A) the chips' circuits more complex, both the power of the chips and the electronic devices they drive have

(B) the chips' circuits more complex, the power of both the chips and the electronic devices they drive has

(C) the chips' circuits are more complex, both the power of the chips and the electronic devices they drive has

(D) their circuits are more complex, the power of both the chips and the electronic devices they drive have

(E) their circuits more complex, both the power of the chips and the electronic devices they drive have

- 9 . In the 1980's the rate of increase of the minority population of the United States was nearly twice as fast as the 1970's.

(A) twice as fast as

(B) twice as fast as it was in

(C) twice what it was in

(D) two times faster than that of

(E) two times greater than

- 10 . According to Henry David Thoreau, the reason a majority is allowed to rule is not that it is more likely to be right, but because it is stronger.

(A) the reason a majority is allowed to rule is not that it is more likely to be right, but because it is stronger

(B) a majority is allowed to rule not because it is more likely to be right, but because it is stronger

(C) the reason for majority rule is not because they are more likely to be right, they are stronger

(D) the majority is allowed to rule because of its strength, not because it is more likely to be right

(E) the reason why the majority rules is that it is strong, not because it is likely to be right

- 11 . 1). Some patients who do not respond therapies of depression may simply have received inadequate treatment, having, for example been prescribed a drug as a dosage too low to be effective or having been taken off a drug too soon.

A -- having, for example been prescribed a drug as a dosage too low to be effective or having been

B -- having, for example, a drug prescription that was ineffective because the dosage was too low, or being

C -- as, for example, having too low of a dosage of prescribed drug for it to be effective, or being

D -- when they have, for example, been prescribed too low a drug dosage for it to be effective, or were

E -- for example, when they have a drug prescription with a dosage too low to be effective, or been

1 2. A catfish passes on to its offspring not only a particular genetic makeup and also definite environmental needs, such as for one specific lake's temperature and salinity.

1. and also definite environmental needs, such as for one specific lake's temperature

2. and also definite environmental needs, like the temperature of one specific lake

3. but also definite environmental needs, such as for the temperature of one specific lake

4. but also definite environmental needs, like one specific lake's temperature

5. but also definite environmental needs, such as for one specific lake's temperature

1 3. A discussion of our nations foreign policy must begin with the fact of there being an independent Western Europe which now thinks of itself in trans-nationalist terms.

A. A discussion of our nations foreign policy must begin with the fact of there being

B. Beginning any discussion of our nations foreign policy must be the fact of there being

C. Any discussion of our nations foreign policy must begin with the fact that there is

D. Any discussion of our nations foreign policy must begin by acknowledging the existence of

E. To begin discussing our nations foreign policy thee must be an acknowledgment of the fact that

1 4. Biologists believe that they have found one of the substances that tell individual genes both when to become active and when to remain quiescent in the earliest phases of an embryo's development.

(A) tell individual genes both when to become active and when to remain

(B) tell individual genes both at which time they should become active and should remain

(C) tells individual genes both when to become active and when to remain

(D) tells individual genes both when to activate and when to

(E) tell an individual gene both about when it should become active and when it should remain

- 1 5 . Schliemann determined at the age of seven to find the site of ancient Troy and devoted his subsequent career to do it.

- A. devoted his subsequent career to do it
- B. has devoted his subsequent career to do that
- C. devoted his subsequent career to such an end
- D. has devoted his subsequent career for that
- E. devoted his subsequent career to that end

16. Until quite recently, American economists have assumed that the unemployment rate being four per cent, there is a rough balance among jobs and job seekers.

- (A) the unemployment rate being four per cent, there is a rough balance among jobs and job seekers
- (B) should the unemployment rate be four per cent, there is a rough balance among jobs and job seekers
- (C) were the unemployment rate four per cent, there is a rough balance between jobs and job seekers
- (D) if the unemployment rate is four per cent, there is a rough balance between jobs and job seekers
- (E) there is a rough balance among jobs and job seekers when there is an unemployment rate that is four per cent

17. One of Ronald Reagan's first acts as President was to rescind President Carter's directive that any chemical banned on medical grounds in the United States be prohibited from sale to other countries.

- (A) that any chemical banned on medical grounds in the United States be prohibited from sale to other countries
- (B) that any chemical be prohibited from sale to other countries that was banned on medical grounds in the United States
- (C) prohibiting the sale to other countries of any chemical banned on medical grounds in the United States
- (D) prohibiting that any chemical banned on medical grounds in the United States is sold to other countries
- (E) that any chemical banned in the United States on medical grounds is prohibited

from being sold to other countries

18. Due to the fact that Jordan wrecked Bono's station wagon during a road trip last summer, she has not been and probably never would be allowed to drive her father's car.

(A) has not been and probably never would be allowed to drive
(B) has not been allowed to drive and probably never will be allowed to drive
(C) has not and probably never would be allowed to drive
(D) has not and probably will never be allowed to drive
(E) has not and probably never will be allowed to drive

19. Scientists have recently discovered what could be the largest and oldest living organism on Earth, a giant fungus that is an interwoven filigree of mushrooms and rootlike tentacles spawned by a single fertilized spore some 10,300 years ago and extending for more than 33 acres in the soil of a Michigan forest.

(A) extending
(B) extends
(C) extended
(D) it extended
(E) is extending

20. Neanderthals had a vocal tract that resembled those of the apes and so were probably without language, a shortcoming that may explain why they were supplanted by our own species.

(A) Neanderthals had a vocal tract that resembled those of the apes
(B) Neanderthals had a vocal tract resembling an ape's
(C) The vocal tracts of Neanderthals resembled an ape's
(D) The Neanderthal's vocal tracts resembled the apes'
(E) The vocal tracts of the Neanderthals resembled those of the apes

21. 2). Among lower- paid workers, union members are less likely than non union members to be enrolled in lower- end insurance plans imposing stricter limits on medical services and requiring doctors to see more patients, and spend less time with each.

a). imposing stricter limits on medical services and requiring doctors to see more patients, and spend
b). imposing stricter limits on medical services , requiring doctors to see more patients, and spending

- c). that impose stricter limits on medical services, require doctors to see more patients, and spend
 - d). that impose stricter limits on medical services and require doctors to see more patients, and spending
 - e). that impose stricter limits on medical services, requiring doctors to see more patients and spending
22. Most recovering heroin addicts seek to be free of drug dependency and others' prejudicial treatment as well.

- (A) of drug dependency and others' prejudicial treatment as well.
- (B) both of drug dependency and also of prejudicial treatment.
- (C) both of drug dependency and also from prejudicial treatment.
- (D) both of drug dependency but also from prejudicial treatment.
- (E) both of drug dependency and of prejudicial treatment as well.

23. Added to the increase in hourly wages requested last July, the railroad employees are now seeking an expanded program of retirement benefits.

- (A) Added to the increase in hourly wages requested last July, the railroad employees are now seeking an expanded program of retirement benefits.
- (B) Added to the increase in hourly wages which had been requested last July, the employees of the railroad are now seeking an expanded program of retirement benefits.
- (C) The railroad employees are now seeking an expanded program of retirement benefits added to the increase in hourly wages that were requested last July.
- (D) In addition to the increase in hourly wages that were requested last July, the railroad employees are now seeking an expanded program of retirement benefits.
- (E) In addition to the increase in hourly wages requested last July, the employees of the railroad are now seeking an expanded program of retirement benefits.

24. Aho, a Kiowa matriarch, held festivals in her home, they featured the preparation of great quantities of ceremonial food, the wearing of many layers of colorful clothing adorned with silver, and the recounting of traditional tribal jokes and stories.

- (A) Aho, a Kiowa matriarch, held festivals in her home, they featured
- (B) Festivals were held in Aho, a Kiowa matriarch's home, which featured
- (C) Aho, who was a Kiowa matriarch in her home, held festivals featuring
- (D) In her home, Aho, a Kiowa matriarch, held festivals that featured
- (E) Aho, a Kiowa matriarch, held festivals in her home that featured

25. According to the enrollment statistics published by U.S. medical schools, the number of female medical students is equivalent to the number of male medical students currently enrolled in medical school.

a)

b) as many female as male students are currently enrolled in medical school

c) the number of female students is as many as that of male students currently enrolled in medical school

d) as great as the number of female is the number of male students currently enrolled in medical school

e) female and male students are currently enrolled in equal numbers in medical school

26. A majority of the international journalists surveyed view nuclear power stations as unsafe at present but that they will, or could, be made sufficiently safe in the future.

(A) that they will, or could,

(B) that they would, or could,

(C) they will be or could

(D) think that they will be or could

(E) think the power stations would or could

27. 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.

A) However much United States voters may agree that

B) Despite the agreement among United States voters to the fact

C) Although United States voters agree

D) Even though United States voters may agree

E) There is agreement among United States voters that

28. Unlike the original National Museum of Science and Technology in Italy, where the models are encased in glass or operated only by staff members, the Virtual Leonardo Project, an online version of the museum, encourages visitors to “touch” each exhibit, which thereby activates the animated functions of the piece.

A. exhibit, which thereby activates

B. exhibit, in turn an activation of

C. exhibit, and it will activate

- D. exhibit and thereby activate
- E. exhibit which, as a result, activates

29. Darwin was not the first to advance a theory of evolution; his tremendous originality lay in the fact that he proposed the idea of natural selection as the means by which evolution worked.

- A. lay in the fact that he proposed the idea
- B. lay in the fact of his proposing the idea
- C. laid in the fact of his proposing the idea
- D. laid in his proposal
- E. lay in his proposal

30. Just because King Alfred occupied and fortified London in 886 did not mean that he also won the loyalty of its citizens: the invading Danes were well aware of this weakness and used it to their advantage in 893.

- (A) Just because King Alfred occupied and fortified London in 886 did not mean that he
- (B) The fact that King Alfred had occupied and fortified London in 886 did not mean that he had
- (C) Just because King Alfred occupied and fortified London in 886, it did not mean he
- (D) The fact that King Alfred occupied and fortified London in 886, it did not mean that he
- (E) Just because King Alfred had occupied and fortified London in 886, it did not mean he

31. In addition to her work on the miocene homicide fossil record, Mary Leakey contributed to archaeology with her discovery of the earliest direct evidence of hominid activity and painstakingly documenting East African paintings.

- (A) Leakey contributed to archaeology with her discovery of the earliest direct evidence of hominid activity and painstakingly documenting
- (B) Leakey contributed to archaeology by her discovery of the earliest direct evidence of hominid activity and by painstakingly documenting
- (C) Leakey was a contributor to archaeology with her discovery of the earliest direct evidence of hominid activity and with her painstaking documentation of
- (D) Leakey's contributions to archaeology include her discovery of the earliest direct

evidence of hominid activity and her painstaking documentation of

(E) Leakey's contributions to archaeology include her discovering the earliest direct evidence of hominid activity and painstaking documentation of

32. **A year advantage in a new computer product or process being introduced** can give a company a significant edge on its competitors.

a...

b. Introducing a new computer product or process by a year earlier

c. A year's advantage to introduce a new computer product or process

d. To introduce a new computer product or process by a year earlier

e. Being a year ahead in introducing a new computer product or process

33. A historian attempting to predict in the 1870's which nation would take over world leadership from the British probably would have guessed Bismarck's Prussia and been quite wrong.

(A) have guessed Bismarck's Prussia and been

(B) have guessed that it would have been Bismarck's Prussia and he would be

(C) have guessed Bismarck's Prussia and would be

(D) guess Bismarck's Prussia and be

(E) guess that it would be Bismarck's Prussia and would have been

34. Japan is a culture of accommodation and constraint, a system of forms, etiquette, and images, making its ever-present congestion tolerable.

(A) Japan is a culture of accommodation and constraint, a system of forms, etiquette, and images, making its

(B) Japan, a culture of accommodation and constraint, is a system of forms, etiquette, and images, which makes its

(C) A culture of accommodation and constraint, Japan is a system of forms, etiquette, and images making its

(D) Japan's is a culture of accommodation and constraint, a system of forms, etiquette, and images that makes the

(E) Japan's is a culture of accommodation and constraint, of a system of forms, etiquette, and images which makes the

35. An economic recession can result from a lowering of employment rates triggered by a drop in investment, which causes people to cut consumer spending and starts a cycle of layoffs leading back to even lower employment rates.

a lowering of employment rates triggered by a drop in investment, which causes people to cut consumer spending and start a cycle of layoffs leading back to even lower employment rates.

a lowering of employment rates triggered by dropping investment, which causes people to cut consumer spending and starts a cycle of layoffs leading back to even lower employment rates.

falling employment rates triggered by a drop in investment, which cause cutbacks in consumer spending, starting a cycle of layoffs that lead to even lower employment rates.

falling employment rates that are triggered by a drop in investment, causing people to cut consumer spending and starting a cycle of layoffs that lead back to even lower employment rates.

falling employment rates that are triggered by a drop in investment, causing cutbacks in consumer spending and starting a cycle of layoffs leading to even lower employment rates.

36. Among the emotions on display in the negotiating room were anger for repeatedly raising the issue over and over again and preventing the raw wounds from earlier battles from ever beginning to heal.

(A) were anger for repeatedly raising the issue over and over again and preventing the raw wounds from earlier battles from ever beginning to heal

(B) was anger for repeatedly raising the issue and preventing the raw wounds from earlier battles from ever beginning to heal

(C) were anger over repeatedly raising the issue and preventing the raw wounds from earlier battles to begin healing

(D) was anger about the issue, which was raised over and over, and preventing the wounds from earlier battles, still raw, to begin healing

(E) were anger about the issue, which was raised repeatedly, and preventing the raw

wounds from earlier battles to begin to heal

37. According to public health officials, in 1998 Massachusetts became the first state in which more babies were born to women over the age of thirty than under it.

A. than
B. than born
C. than they were
D. than there had been
E. than had been born

38. Corporate finance committees do not plan the detailed activities of the various divisions in a large firm, but by their allocation of investment funds they make strategic judgements as to where the firm should expand.

a) by their allocation of investment funds they make strategic judgements as to where the firm should expand
b) when they allocate investment funds, they make strategic judgements about where the firm might be expanding
c) they make strategic judgements on where the firm should expand when they allocate investment funds
d) by allocating investment funds, they will make strategic judgements about where the firm might be expanding
e) allocations of investments fund as to where the firm should expand are their exercise in strategic judgement

39. Cynics charge that Major League Baseball lobbied for stadiums with fewer seats to reduce supply and increase ticket prices.

A. lobbied for stadiums with fewer seats to reduce supply and increase ticket prices.
B. lobbied for stadiums with less seats to reduce supply and increase ticket prices.
C. lobbied for stadiums that had fewer seats to reduce supply and increase ticket prices.
D. lobbied for stadiums that had less seats to reduce supply and increase ticket prices.
E. lobbied for stadiums that had less seats as a means of reducing supply so they could increase ticket prices.

40. A group of students who have begun to clean up Frederick Law Olmstead's Morning Park in New York City believes that the park needs not to be redesigned but to be returned to its former condition

- 1)believes that the park needs not to be redesigned but to
- 2)believe that the park needs to not be redesigned but to
- 3)believes that the park needs not to be redesigned but could
- 4)believe that the park needs not to be redesigned but to
- 5)believe that the park needs not to be redesigned but that it

41. On Earth, among the surest indications of sunspot cycles are believed to be the rate that trees grow, as seen in the rings visible in the cross sections of their trunks.

- A. On Earth, among the surest indications of sunspot cycles are believed to be the rate that trees grow
- B. On Earth, among the surest indications of sunspot cycles are, it is believed, the rate of tree growth
- C. On Earth, the rate at which trees grow is believed to be among the surest indications of sunspot cycles
- D. Among the surest indications on Earth of sunspot cycles, believed to be the tree growth rate
- E. Among the surest indications on Earth of sunspot cycles is believed to be the rate at which trees grow

42. Australian embryologists have found evidence that suggests that the elephant is descended from an aquatic animal, and its trunk originally evolved as a kind of snorkel.

- (a)..
- (b) that has suggested the elephant descended from an aquatic animal, its trunk originally evolving
- (c)suggesting that the elephant had descended from an aquatic animal with its trunk originally evolving
- (d) to suggest that the elephant had descended from an aquatic animal and its trunk originally evolving
- (e) to suggest that the elephant is descended from an aquatic animal and that its trunk originally evolved

43. Several financial officers of the company spoke on condition that they not be named in the press reports.

- A. that they not be named
- B. that their names will not be used
- C. that their names are not used

D. of not having their names

E. of not naming them

44. The first time that Larry walked down the ramp, laden with packages, he tripped and nearly dislocated his shoulder.

(A) Larry walked down the ramp, laden with packages,

(B) Larry walked, laden with packages, down the ramp

(C) Larry walked down the ramp, with laden packages,

(D) Larry, laden with packages, walked down the ramp

(E) Larry, laden with packages, had walked down the ramp,

45. Although dozens of New York's small museums are either devoted to local history or various ethnic groups, there are many one-of-a-kind museums from Manhattan to the Bronx that are open for exploration on summer weekends.

(A) Although dozens of New York's small museums are either devoted to local history or various ethnic groups, there are

(B) Although dozens of New York's small museums are devoted to local history or various ethnic groups,

(C) Dozens of New York's small museums are devoted to local history or various ethnic groups, but there are

(D) Dozens of New York's small museums are devoted to local history or various ethnic groups, and there are also

(E) Devoted to local history or various ethnic groups, dozens of New York's small museums and also

46. Based on the growth rates of large modern reptiles such as the Galapagos tortoise and examinations of fossils of juvenile dinosaurs, scientists estimate that the largest dinosaurs probably lived to be between 100 and 200 years old.

(A) Based on the growth rates of large modern reptiles such as

(B) On the basis of growth rates of large modern reptiles such as

(C) Based on the growth rates of large modern reptiles like

(D) On the basis of growth rates of large modern reptiles, like those of

(E) Based on such growth rates as those of large modern reptiles like

47. The Diary of Anne Frank tells the true story of a young girl and her family that were hidden during the Nazi occupation of the Netherlands by a gentile Dutch couple, though they were eventually discovered.

- A. that were hidden during the Nazi occupation of the Netherlands by a gentile Dutch couple, though they were eventually discovered
- B. that were hidden by a gentile Dutch couple during the Nazi occupation of the Netherlands, though they were eventually discovered
- C. whom a gentile Dutch couple hid during the Nazi occupation of the Netherlands but were eventually discovered
- D. who were hidden by a gentile Dutch couple during the Nazi occupation of the Netherlands but were eventually discovered
- E. who were hidden by a gentile Dutch couple during the Nazi occupation of the Netherlands even though they were eventually discovered

48. A new phenomena, which is visible at Managua's major intersections, are waves of vendors and beggars, which include many children and mob cars at the stoplights.

- (A) A new phenomena, which is visible at Managua's major intersections, are waves of vendors and beggars, which include many children and
- (B) Visible at Managua's major intersections are waves of vendors and beggars with many children, new phenomena that
- (C) A new phenomenon visible at Managua's major intersections is waves of vendors and beggars, many of them children, who
- (D) Phenomenally new waves of vendors, beggars, and many children are visible at Managua's major intersections, which
- (E) A wave of vendors and beggars, many of whom are children, are visible at Managua's major intersections, where they are a new phenomenon and

49. Regarded by analysts to be the result of tensions during the Cold War, the spy novel reached the zenith of its sales in the 1960s, when most Americans perceived the U.S.S.R. like a constant threat.

A. Regarded by analysts to be the result of tensions during the Cold War, the spy novel reached the zenith of its sales in the 1960s, when most Americans perceived the U.S.S.R. like a constant threat.

B. The spy novel, regarded by analysts to be the result of tensions during the Cold War, reached the zenith of its sales in the 1960s, when most Americans perceived the U.S.S.R. to be a constant threat.

C. Regarded by analysts as the result of tensions during the Cold War, in the 1960s the

spy novel reached the zenith of its sales, when most Americans perceived the U.S.S.R. like a constant threat.

D. Reaching the zenith of its sales in the 1960s, the spy novel was regarded by analysts as the result of tensions during the Cold War, when most Americans perceived the U.S.S.R. as a constant threat.

E. Regarded by analysts as the result of tensions during the Cold War, sales of the spy novel reached their zenith in the 1960s, when most Americans perceived the U.S.S.R. as a constant threat.

50. At the time of the Mexican agrarian revolution, the most radical faction, that of Zapata and his followers, proposed a return to communal ownership of land, to what had been a pre-Columbian form of ownership respected by the Spaniards.

(A) land, to what had been a pre-Columbian form of ownership respected by the Spaniards

(B) land, a form of ownership of the pre-Columbians and respected by the Spaniards

(C) land, respected by the Spaniards and a pre-Columbian form of ownership

(D) land in which a pre-Columbian form of ownership was respected by the Spaniards

(E) land that had been a pre-Columbian form of ownership respected by the Spaniards

51. In his experiments with gravity, Isaac Newton showed how the motion of each planet in the solar system results from the combined gravitational pull of the Sun and of all the other planets, each contributing according to their mass and distance from the others.

A. of all the other planets, each contributing according to their

B. of all the other planets, with each of them contributing according to their

C. all the other planets, each of which contributing according to its

D. all the other planets, each contributing according to its

E. all the other planets, each of which contribute according to their

52. The ancient Romans piped hot water through the walls and under the floors so as to warm up the rooms.

A. so as to warm up the rooms

B. and so would be able to warm up the rooms

C. to warm the rooms up

D. so that they could warm up the rooms

E. in order that they would warm up the rooms

53. Famed for his masterful use of irony, many of Guy de Maupassant's short stories have become classics due to the author slowly revealing at the end of each piece a tragic twist of fate.

A. Famed for his masterful use of irony, many of Guy de Maupassant's short stories have become classics due to the author slowly revealing at the end of each piece a tragic twist of fate.

B. Many of Guy de Maupassant's short stories have become classics because of how he famously and masterfully uses irony, evident in the slow revelation of a tragic twist of fate at the end of each piece.

C. Famed for using irony in a masterful way, many of Guy de Maupassant's short stories have become classics because of the author slowly revealing a tragic twist of fate at the end of each piece.

D. Many of Guy de Maupassant's short stories have become classics because of the author's famed and masterful use of irony, evidenced in the slow revelation of a tragic twist of fate at the end of each piece.

E. Many of Guy de Maupassant's short stories have become classics because he slowly revealed a tragic twist of fate at the end of each piece, demonstrating his famed and masterful use of irony.

54. 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 than it was in 1990.

A....

B. generated through wind power now as it was

C. generated through wind power now as was the case

D. now generated through wind power as it was

E. now generated through wind power than was the case

55. 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.

- (A) to survive
- (B) of firms to survive
- (C) for surviving
- (D) for survival
- (E) for firms' survival

56. During an ice age, the buildup of ice at the poles and the drop in water levels near the equator speed up the Earth's rotation, like a spinning figure skater whose speed increases when her arms are drawn in.

- (A) like a spinning figure skater whose speed increases when her arms are drawn in
- (B) like the increased speed of a figure skater when her arms are drawn in
- (C) like a figure skater who increases speed while spinning with her arms drawn in
- (D) just as a spinning figure skater who increases speed by drawing in her arms
- (E) just as a spinning figure skater increases speed by drawing in her arms

57. Each of Hemingway's wives—Hadley Richardson, Pauline Pfeiffer, Martha Gelhorn, and Mary Welsh—were strong and interesting women, very different from the often pallid women who populate his novels.

- (A) Each of Hemingway's wives—Hadley Richardson, Pauline Pfeiffer, Martha Gelhorn, and Mary Welsh—were strong and interesting women,
- (B) Hadley Richardson, Pauline Pfeiffer, Martha Gelhorn, and Mary Welsh—each of them Hemingway's wives—were strong and interesting women,
- (C) Hemingway's wives—Hadley Richardson, Pauline Pfeiffer, Martha Gelhorn, and Mary Welsh—were all strong and interesting women,
- (D) Strong and interesting women—Hadley Richardson, Pauline Pfeiffer, Martha Gelhorn, and Mary Welsh—each a wife of Hemingway, was
- (E) Strong and interesting women—Hadley Richardson, Pauline Pfeiffer, Martha Gelhorn, and Mary Welsh—every one of Hemingway's wives were

58. Dental caries and gingivitis can be exacerbated not only by the foods patients eat but also by when the patients eat them.

- (A) not only by the foods patients eat but also by when the patients eat them
- (B) by not only the foods patients eat but also by when the patients eat them
- (C) not only by the foods patients eat but also by time when the foods are eaten

(D) by not only the foods that are eaten by patients but also by the times the foods are eaten

(E) not only by what patients eat but also by when they eat it

59. The failing of the book lies not in a lack of attention to scientific detail but in the depiction of scenes of life and death in the marine world with emotional overtones that reduce the credibility of the work.

(A) depiction of scenes of life and death in the marine world with emotional overtones that

(B) fact that it depicts marine world scenes of life and death as having emotional overtones that

(C) depiction of scenes of life and death in the marine world, whose emotional overtones

(D) depiction of marine world scenes of life and death, which have emotional overtones and thus

(E) fact that it depicts scenes of life and death in the marine world, whose emotional overtones

60. The computer software being designed for a project studying Native American access to higher education will not only meet the needs of that study, but also has the versatility and power of facilitating similar research endeavors.

(A) but also has the versatility and power of facilitating

(B) but also have the versatility and power to facilitate

(C) but it also has the versatility and power to facilitate

(D) and also have the versatility and power of facilitating

(E) and it also has such versatility and power that it can facilitate

61. Should present metal prices continue their sharp rise, the value of the copper in a penny will soon be greater than the face value of the coin.

a. Should present metal prices continue their sharp rise,

b. If present metal prices are continuing their sharp rise,

c. If present metal prices continue to sharply rise,

d. Continuation of sharply rising metal prices should mean that

e. Metal prices' sharp rise continuing should mean that

62. The failing of the book lies not in a lack of attention to scientific detail but in the depiction of scenes of life and death in the marine world with emotional overtones that reduce the credibility of the work.

(A) depiction of scenes of life and death in the marine world with emotional overtones that

(B) fact that it depicts marine world scenes of life and death as having emotional overtones that

(C) depiction of scenes of life and death in the marine world, whose emotional overtones

(D) depiction of marine world scenes of life and death, which have emotional overtones and thus

(E) fact that it depicts scenes of life and death in the marine world, whose emotional overtones

63. A 1972 agreement between Canada and the United States reduced the amount of phosphates that municipalities had been allowed to dump into the Great Lakes.

(A) reduced the amount of phosphates that municipalities had been allowed to dump

(B) reduced the phosphate amount that municipalities had been dumping

(C) reduces the phosphate amount municipalities have been allowed to dump

(D) reduced the amount of phosphates that municipalities are allowed to dump

(E) reduces the amount of phosphates allowed for dumping by municipalities

64. Nowhere in Prakta is the influence of modern European architecture more apparent than their government buildings.

(A) more apparent than their

(B) so apparent as their

(C) more apparent than in its

(D) so apparent than in their

(E) as apparent as it is in its

65. In his eagerness to find a city worthy of Priam, the German archaeologist Schliemann cut through Troy and uncovered a civilization a thousand years older as was the city Homer's heroes knew.

(A) older as was the city Homer's heroes knew

(B) more ancient than the city known to Homer's heroes

(C) older than was the city known to Homer's heroes

(D) more ancient of a city than Homer's heroes knew

(E) older of a city than was the one known to Homer's heroes

66. Although ice particles in the upper atmosphere benefit Earth in that they reflect and absorb solar radiation, acting as global thermostat and thus keeping Earth from either

burning up or freezing over, they also accelerate the destruction of the ozone layer by reacting with chlorofluorocarbons (CFC's).

A) acting as global thermostat and thus keeping Earth from either burning up or freezing over, they also accelerate

B) acting as a global thermostat and thus keeping Earth either from burning up or freezing over, while also accelerating

C) act as a global thermostat and thus keep Earth from either burning up or freezing over, while also accelerating

D) they act as a global thermostat that thus keeps the Earth either from burning up or freezing over, even though it also accelerates

E) they act as a global thermostat to thus keep Earth from either burning up or freezing over, but they also accelerate

67. This April, three out of seven people will file tax returns with a disk found in software stores and accounting texts.

A. tax returns with a disk found in software stores and accounting texts

B. a tax return with a disk found in software stores and accounting texts

C. tax returns with disks found in a software store and an accounting text

D. tax returns with a disk found in a software store and an accounting text

E. a tax return with a disk found in a software store and an accounting text

68. A recent poll indicates that many people in the United States hold a combination of conservative and liberal political views; i.e., they denounce the big government, saying government is doing too much and has become too powerful, while at the same time supporting many specific government programs for health care, education, and the environment.

A) they denounce the big government, saying government is doing too much and has become too powerful, while at the same time supporting

B) they denounce big government- they say that government is doing too much and has become too powerful-but supporting at the same time

C) they denounce big government, say that government is doing too much and it has become too powerful, while they support at the same time

D) while they denounce big government, saying that government is doing too much and has become too powerful, at the same time supporting

E) while they are denouncing big government- they say that government is doing too much and it has become too powerful-supporting at the same time

69. Anyone wishing to be considered for the position should send in their resumes before the deadline on October 10.

A) send in their resumes

B) send their resumes in

C) send in their resume

D) send their resume in

E) send in his resume

70. The growth of the railroads led to the abolition of local times, which was determined by when the sun reached the observer's meridian and differing from city to city, and to the establishment of regional times.

(A)which was determined by when the sun reached the observer's meridian and differing

(B)which was determined by when the sun reached the observer's meridian and which differed

(C)which were determined by when the sun reached the observer's meridian and differing

(D)determined by when the sun reached the observer's meridian and differed

(E)determined by when the sun reached the observer's meridian and differing

Answers:

1. E

2. E

3. A

4. A

5. D

6. D

7. B

8. B

9. C

10. B
11. A
12. E
13. D
14. A
15. E
16. D
17. C
18. B
19. A
20. B
21. D
22. E
23. E
24. D
25. B
26. D
27. A
28. D
29. E
30. B
31. D
32. D
33. A
34. D
35. C
36. B
37. A
38. A
39. A
40. A
41. C
42. E
43. A
44. D
45. D

- 46. B
- 47. D
- 48. C
- 49. E
- 50. A
- 51. D
- 52. D
- 53. D
- 54. C
- 55. B
- 56. E
- 57. C
- 58. E
- 59. A
- 60. B
- 61. A
- 62. A
- 63. D
- 64. C
- 65. B
- 66. A
- 67. B
- 68. A
- 69. E
- 70. E

1. That the new managing editor rose from the publications soft news sections to a leadership position is more of a landmark in the industry than her being a woman.

A. her being a woman
B. being a woman is
C. her womanhood
D. that she was a woman
E. that she is a woman

A – more of landmark Vs her. Wrong comparison. Eliminate
B – more of landmark Vs being a woman is. Eliminate
C – more of landmark Vs her womanhood. Eliminate
D – is more Vs that she was. Wrong tense. Eliminate
E - Keep

2. In a leveraged buyout, investors borrow huge sums of money to buy companies, hoping to pay off the debt by using the company's earnings and to profit richly by the later resale of the companies or their divisions.

A. by using the company's earnings and to profit
B. by using the companies' earnings and by profiting
C. using the companies' earnings and profiting
D. with the company's earnings, profiting
E. with the companies' earnings and to profit

A – to pay VS profiting needs to be parallel. There are two goals- pay off debt and profit. They both need to be parallel. Eliminate
B – same as A
C – same as A
D – “profiting richly..” is modifying “hoping to pay off...” while essentially it is an additional goal of leveraged buy out. There are two goals- pay off debt and profit. Eliminate.
E – Keep

3. Legislation in the Canadian province of Ontario requires of both public and private employers that pay be the same for jobs historically held by women as for jobs requiring comparable skill that are usually held by men.

(A) that pay be the same for jobs historically held by women as for jobs requiring

comparable skill that are

(B) that pay for jobs historically held by women should be the same as for a job requiring comparable skills

(C) to pay the same in jobs historically held by women as in jobs of comparable skill that are

(D) to pay the same regardless of whether a job was historically held by women or is one demanding comparable skills

(E) to pay as much for jobs historically held by women as for a job demanding comparable skills

Command Subjunctive: "requires that pay be". Except A all options fail

A – Keep

B – Eliminate

C – Eliminate

D - Eliminate

E - Eliminate

4. In order to evenly and effectively paint a rough surface, it is necessary to sand it and apply primer before applying the paint.

(A) it and apply primer before applying the paint

(B) it and prime it and paint it

(C) it, then prime it, then paint it

(D) the surface and apply primer before you
apply paint to the surface

(E) the surface, apply primer to the surface and then paint it

A – Keep

B – Should have been comma before "paint it". Eliminate

C – Lacks parallelism. "Sand it" Vs "then prime it. Eliminate

D – You is added unnecessarily. Eliminate

E – Lacks parallelism. Apply primer Vs then paint it

5. A decade after initiating the nation's most comprehensive and aggressive antismoking program, per capita consumption of cigarettes in California declined from over 125 packs annually per person to about 60, a drop more than twice as great as in the nation as a whole.

B. annual per capita consumption of cigarettes in California declined from over 125 packs to about 60, more than twice as great as that

C. California's annual per capita consumption of cigarettes declined from over 125 packs per person to about 60, more than twice as great as the drop

D. California has seen per capita consumption of cigarettes decline from over 125 packs annually to about 60, a drop more than twice as great as that

E. California has seen annual per capita consumption of cigarettes decline from over 125 packs per person to about 60, more than twice as great as that

First sentence refers to California. Eliminate A, B, C

E is not parallel in comparison.

6 . According to scientists at the University of California, the pattern of changes that have occurred in human DNA over the millennia **indicate the possibility that everyone alive today might be descended from a single female ancestor who** lived in Africa sometime between 140,000 and 280,000 years ago.

(A) indicate the possibility that everyone alive today might be descended from a single female ancestor who

(B) indicate that everyone alive today might possibly be a descendant of a single female ancestor who had

(C) may indicate that everyone alive today has descended from a single female ancestor who had

(D) indicates that everyone alive today may be a descendant of a single female ancestor who

(E) indicates that everyone alive today might be a descendant from a single female ancestor who

S-V agreement: Indicates is correct

There are also redundancy in some of those answers such as in a) “the possibility” and “might” is duplication and not concise.

Between D and E the main difference is “may be a descendant of” vs “might be a descendant from”. I don’t know if there is an idiom for this but as a native speaker “descendant of” is typically used. Same as the word member - you would be a member of a band but not a member from a band. Although they both probably make sense the first seems more correct.

Regarding the question about the main subject, it is “pattern of changes”, not the scientists.

7 . A higher interest rate is only one of the factors, albeit an important one, that keeps the housing market from spiraling out of control, like it did earlier in the decade.

a) that keeps the housing market from spiraling out of control, like it did earlier in the decade.

- b) that keep the housing market from spiraling out of control, as it did earlier in the decade
- c) that keeps the housing market from spiraling out of control, as it did earlier in the decade
- d) that keep the housing market from spiraling out of control, like earlier in the decade
- e) that keep the housing market from spiraling out of control, like it did earlier in the decade

Like is used when comparing nouns whereas as is used when comparing actions. In this question, since actions are compared so use of "as" is the correct one.

S-V agreement - One of the factors that → plural verb

8. As the etched lines on computer memory chips have become thinner and the chips' circuits more complex,
both the power of the chips and the electronic devices they drive have vastly increased.

(A) the chips' circuits more complex, both the power of the chips and the electronic devices they drive have

(B) the chips' circuits more complex, the power of both the chips and the electronic devices they drive has

(C) the chips' circuits are more complex, both the power of the chips and the electronic devices they drive has

(D) their circuits are more complex, the power of both the chips and the electronic devices they drive have

(E) their circuits more complex, both the power of the chips and the electronic devices they drive have

9. In the 1980's the rate of increase of the minority population of the United States was nearly twice as fast as the 1970's.

(A) twice as fast as

(B) twice as fast as it was in

(C) twice what it was in

(D) two times faster than that of

(E) two times greater than

Eliminate E and A – wrong comparison

In 1980's should be parallel to 1970's Hence options having "it was" (in parallel with rate of increase was) survive. Parallelism - Eliminate D, A and E

in this case, you have a problem of redundancy:

a RATE can't be FAST.

* the rate can be high;

* the increase itself can be fast.

similarly,

a height can't be tall (a person can be tall, or a height can be greater than...)

a bank account can't be rich (a person can be rich, or a bank account can contain a large amount of money)

etc.

So eliminate B

1 0 . According to Henry David Thoreau, the reason a majority is allowed to rule is not that it is more likely to be right, but because it is stronger.

(A) the reason a majority is allowed to rule is not that it is more likely to be right, but because it is stronger

(B) a majority is allowed to rule not because it is more likely to be right, but because it is stronger

(C) the reason for majority rule is not because they are more likely to be right, they are stronger

(D) the majority is allowed to rule because of its strength, not because it is more likely to be right

(E) the reason why the majority rules is that it is strong, not because it is likely to be right

Subject verb agmt – eliminate C

Not X, But Y – Eliminate A, C, E

D changes meaning ;

1 1 . Some patients who do not respond therapies of depression may simply have received inadequate treatment, having, for example been prescribed a drug as a dosage too low to be effective or having been taken off a drug too soon.

A -- having, for example been prescribed a drug as a dosage too low to be effective or having been

B -- having, for example, a drug prescription that was ineffective because the dosage was too low, or being

C -- as, for example, having too low of a dosage of prescribed drug for it to be effective, or being

D -- when they have, for example, been prescribed too low a drug dosage for it to be effective, or were

E -- for example, when they have a drug prescription with a dosage too low to be effective, or been

Parallelism – “having...”

- 1 2. A catfish passes on to its offspring not only a particular genetic makeup and also definite environmental needs, such as for one specific lake's temperature and salinity.
- 1. and also definite environmental needs, such as for one specific lake's temperature
 - 2. and also definite environmental needs, like the temperature of one specific lake
 - 3. but also definite environmental needs, such as for the temperature of one specific lake
 - 4. but also definite environmental needs, like one specific lake's temperature
 - 5. but also definite environmental needs, such as for one specific lake's temperature

Not only X but also Y - Eliminate A and B

Such as - “for example” and Like - “similar to” – eliminate D

Eliminate C because not parallel

- 1 3. A discussion of our nations foreign policy must begin with the fact of there being an independent Western Europe which now thinks of itself in trans-nationalist terms.
- A. A discussion of our nations foreign policy must begin with the fact of there being
 - B. Beginning any discussion of our nations foreign policy must be the fact of there being
 - C. Any discussion of our nations foreign policy must begin with the fact that there is
 - D. Any discussion of our nations foreign policy must begin by acknowledging the existence of
 - E. To begin discussing our nations foreign policy there must be an acknowledgment of the fact that

Fact that is correct. So eliminate A and B

Option E eliminated because “there must be an acknowledgement of the fact that an independent western Europe...” ..this sentence lacks a verb

I think this question is about CLARITY, D is preferred to C because:

C. Any discussion of our nations foreign policy must begin with the fact that there is...begin with the fact doesn't make much sense when linked to the rest of the sentence, think about it.

D. Any discussion of our nations foreign policy must begin by acknowledging the existence of...makes complete sense as it states that the existence of western europe must be acknowledged,taken into account, in order for the discussion to begin.

- 1 4. Biologists believe that they have found one of the substances that tell individual genes both when to become active and when to remain quiescent in the earliest phases of an

embryo's development.

(A) tell individual genes both when to become active and when to remain

(B) tell individual genes both at which time they should become active and should remain

(C) tells individual genes both when to become active and when to remain

(D) tells individual genes both when to activate and when to

(E) tell an individual gene both about when it should become active and when it should remain

Both X and Y – and they need to be parallel

1 5 . Schliemann determined at the age of seven to find the site of ancient Troy and devoted his subsequent career to do it.

A. devoted his subsequent career to do it

B. has devoted his subsequent career to do that

C. devoted his subsequent career to such an end

D. has devoted his subsequent career for that

E. devoted his subsequent career to that end

Parallelism - “determined” and “devoted”

A is absolutely wrong because to do it is wrong in Gmat . C is wrong because he is not seeking another exploration but he is seeking just ancient troy so such is used in a wrong way. However , that indicates just the exact career for him exploring ancient Troy.

16. Until quite recently, American economists have assumed that the unemployment rate being four per cent, there is a rough balance among jobs and job seekers.

(A) the unemployment rate being four per cent, there is a rough balance among jobs and job seekers

(B) should the unemployment rate be four per cent, there is a rough balance among jobs and job seekers

(C) were the unemployment rate four per cent, there is a rough balance between jobs and job seekers

(D) if the unemployment rate is four per cent, there is a rough balance between jobs and job seekers

(E) there is a rough balance among jobs and job seekers when there is an unemployment rate that is four per cent

“Should” – eliminate. Only used for I. Eliminate B

“That were the employment rate” – wrong. Eliminate C

Between for two options and Among for multiple options. So eliminate A and E

17. One of Ronald Reagan’s first acts as President was to rescind President Carter’s directive that any chemical banned on medical grounds in the United States be prohibited from sale to other countries.

(A) that any chemical banned on medical grounds in the United States be prohibited from sale to other countries

(B) that any chemical be prohibited from sale to other countries that was banned on medical grounds in the United States

(C) prohibiting the sale to other countries of any chemical banned on medical grounds in the United States

(D) prohibiting that any chemical banned on medical grounds in the United States is sold to other countries

(E) that any chemical banned in the United States on medical grounds is prohibited from being sold to other countries

“Prohibiting that” – wrong. Eliminate D

“on medical grounds” must be close to “chemical banned” Eliminate E

“Countries that was banned” – wrong. Tells that countries are banned. Eliminate Choice B

“be prohibited from sale” must be close to “chemical”. Eliminate A

C explains the meaning clearly.

18. Due to the fact that Jordan wrecked Bono's station wagon during a road trip last summer, she has not been and probably never would be allowed to drive her father's car.

(A) has not been and probably never would be allowed to drive

(B) has not been allowed to drive and probably never will be allowed to drive

(C) has not and probably never would be allowed to drive

(D) has not and probably will never be allowed to drive

(E) has not and probably never will be allowed to drive

“HAS NOT “ WHAT ? Allowed needs to be mentionend. C, D and E are not parallel. Eliminate C, D and E

“Would” is not correct. We are talking about her future. So will is appropriate. Current tense is present so Will is appropriate. Eliminate A

19. Scientists have recently discovered what could be the largest and oldest living organism on Earth, a giant fungus that is an interwoven filigree of mushrooms and rootlike tentacles spawned by a single fertilized spore some 10,300 years ago and extending for more than 33 acres in the soil of a Michigan forest.

(A) extending

(B) extends

(C) extended

(D) it extended

(E) is extending

For the second half of the sentence if you ignore the modifier 'that...tentacles' it will read 'a giant fungus spawned ... and extending.... '

Here spawned (past participle) and extending (present participle) are adjectives describing the fungus. They are also parallel. Two participles can be parallel. Also the reason we have extending and not extended because extending signifies that it still happens today. We know this because it's still the oldest living organism from the first part of the sentence.

20. Neanderthals had a vocal tract that resembled those of the apes and so were probably without language, a shortcoming that may explain why they were supplanted by our own species.

(A) Neanderthals had a vocal tract that resembled those of the apes

(B) Neanderthals had a vocal tract resembling an ape's

(C) The vocal tracts of Neanderthals resembled an ape's

(D) The Neanderthal's vocal tracts resembled the apes'

(E) The vocal tracts of the Neanderthals resembled those of the apes

The non underlined part is referring to "Neanderthals". So eliminate – C, D and E

A vocal tract is singular. Those is for plural noun. So eliminate A

21. Among lower- paid workers, union members are less likely than non union members to be enrolled in lower- end insurance plans imposing stricter limits on medical services and requiring doctors to see more patients, and spend less time with each.

- a). imposing stricter limits on medical services and requiring doctors to see more patients, and spend
- b). imposing stricter limits on medical services , requiring doctors to see more patients, and spending
- c). that impose stricter limits on medical services, require doctors to see more patients, and spend
- d). that impose stricter limits on medical services and require doctors to see more patients, and spending
- e). that impose stricter limits on medical services, requiring doctors to see more patients and spending

Without that it will seem that non union member are imposing. So eliminate A and B
 “spend less time with each” is referring to doctor and not insurance plan. Eliminate C
 “requiring doctors to see more patients” seems to be an outcome because of stricter limits.
 Changes meaning of sentence. Eliminate E

22. Most recovering heroin addicts seek to be free of drug dependency and others' prejudicial treatment as well.

- (A) of drug dependency and others' prejudicial treatment as well.
- (B) both of drug dependency and also of prejudicial treatment.
- (C) both of drug dependency and also from prejudicial treatment.
- (D) both of drug dependency but also from prejudicial treatment.
- (E) both of drug dependency and of prejudicial treatment as well.

Both of X and of Y. Eliminate B, C,D
 Of X and of Y. Eliminate A

23. Added to the increase in hourly wages requested last July, the railroad employees are now seeking an expanded program of retirement benefits.

- (A) Added to the increase in hourly wages requested last July, the railroad employees are now seeking an expanded program of retirement benefits.
- (B) Added to the increase in hourly wages which had been requested last July, the employees of the railroad are now seeking an expanded program of retirement benefits.
- (C) The railroad employees are now seeking an expanded program of retirement benefits added to the increase in hourly wages that were requested last July.
- (D) In addition to the increase in hourly wages that were requested last July, the railroad

employees are now seeking an expanded program of retirement benefits.

(E) In addition to the increase in hourly wages requested last July, the employees of the railroad are now seeking an expanded program of retirement benefits.

A, B,C are just sentenced so bad that it takes time to register what they intend to say. Eliminate

“that were” is unnecessary. "employees of the railroad" is preferred over "railroad employees" in GMAT. “were” is incorrect as it is referring to the singular 'increase' Eliminate D

24. Aho, a Kiowa matriarch, held festivals in her home, they featured the preparation of great quantities of ceremonial food, the wearing of many layers of colorful clothing adorned with silver, and the recounting of traditional tribal jokes and stories.

(A) Aho, a Kiowa matriarch, held festivals in her home, they featured

(B) Festivals were held in Aho, a Kiowa matriarch’s home, which featured

(C) Aho, who was a Kiowa matriarch in her home, held festivals featuring

(D) In her home, Aho, a Kiowa matriarch, held festivals that featured

(E) Aho, a Kiowa matriarch, held festivals in her home that featured

A- They refers Festivals in the sentence which is incorrect. Sentence after comma lacks a conjunction. Eliminate

B- Aho is not Kiowa matriarch’s home. Wrong. Eliminate

C- Seems to tell that Aho is only matriarch only in her home. Changes meaning. Eliminate

D- Keep

E- Home doesn’t have all the adjectival phrases that follow. Eliminate

25. According to the enrollment statistics published by U.S. medical schools, the number of female medical students is equivalent to the number of male medical students currently enrolled in medical school.

a)

b) as many female as male students are currently enrolled in medical school

c) the number of female students is as many as that of male students currently enrolled in medical school

d) as great as the number of female is the number of male students currently enrolled in

medical school

e) female and male students are currently enrolled in equal numbers in medical school

- A. Incorrect, Equivalent is used for non-countable things.
- B. Correct use of as many as idiom.
- C. The number of female students as many as that of(the number of) male students.. Singular noun as many as singular noun ..Awkward.. Hence, incorrect..
- D. as great as is not correct..Don't know the reasons but i think, we can use this in this context..
- E. Equal numbers should modify female and male studens , not enrollment..

"equal numbers of female and male students are currently enrolled in medical school" would have been correct..

26. A majority of the international journalists surveyed view nuclear power stations as unsafe at present but that they will, or could, be made sufficiently safe in the future.

- (A) that they will, or could,
- (B) that they would, or could,
- (C) they will be or could
- (D) think that they will be or could**
- (E) think the power stations would or could

Parallelism: View and Think. Eliminate A, B and C

Think what? ..that is needed. Eliminate E

27. 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.

- A) However much United States voters may agree that**
 - B) Despite the agreement among United States voters to the fact
 - C) Although United States voters agree
 - D) Even though United States voters may agree
 - E) There is agreement among United States voters that
- A – KEEP
- B – fact what? That is missing. Eliminate
- C – Agree what? That is missing. Eliminate

D – same as C

E – No contrast.. Sentence after comma seems to miss a conjunction then. Eliminate

28. Unlike the original National Museum of Science and Technology in Italy, where the models are encased in glass or operated only by staff members, the Virtual Leonardo Project, an online version of the museum, encourages visitors to “touch” each exhibit which thereby activates the animated functions of the piece.

A. exhibit, which thereby activates

B. exhibit, in turn an activation of

C. exhibit, and it will activate

D. exhibit and thereby activate

E. exhibit which, as a result, activates

A. exhibit, which thereby activates - it is not exhibit that activates....

B. exhibit, in turn an activation of - incomplete sentence....

C. exhibit, and it will activate - it is not museum that activates....

D. exhibit and thereby activate - the best

E. exhibit which, as a result, activates- it is not exhibit that activates....

29. Darwin was not the first to advance a theory of evolution; his tremendous originality lay in the fact that he proposed the idea of natural selection as the means by which evolution worked.

A. lay in the fact that he proposed the idea

B. lay in the fact of his proposing the idea

C. laid in the fact of his proposing the idea

D. laid in his proposal

E. lay in his proposal

Lied is the right usage. Laid is incorrect. Eliminate C and D

Fact of his proposing – incorrect. Eliminate B

First off, remember that semicolons function in pretty much the same way as periods.

We can ignore the first independent clause here and just focus on the second.

(A) lay in the fact that he proposed the idea

PROBLEM: First of all, it's hideous. But now think about the meaning. Did **Darwin's originality lay in "the fact that he proposed the idea"**? No. It lay in the proposal itself.

(B) lay in the fact of his proposing the idea

PROBLEM: IDIOM with fact. You have to say "The fact that burgers are delicious is immaterial", not "The fact of burgers being delicious is immaterial".

(C) laid in the fact of his proposing the idea

PROBLEM: "Laid" is the past tense of the verb "to lay" (As in "After we lay it down on the table, we'll have to give it a back massage."). "Lay" is the past tense of the verb "to lie" (As in "The truth lies elsewhere today."). This sentence involves the latter (purely based on the definitions of the two words, which ARE different), so we simply use "lay" as the past tense. Annoying, right? Also, this answer choice has the same issues as B.

(D) laid in his proposal

PROBLEM: See C.

(E) lay in his proposal

ANSWER: I think people dislike this because they aren't used to the idiom "proposal of". But it's correct. Sigh. On the plus side, even though I exhort my students not to go with concision unless ALL else fails, concision will lead you to this answer choice (as long as you recognize the difference between "lay" and "laid").

30. Just because King Alfred occupied and fortified London in 886 did not mean that he also won the loyalty of its citizens: the invading Danes were well aware of this weakness and used it to their advantage in 893.

(A) Just because King Alfred occupied and fortified London in 886 did not mean that he

(B) The fact that King Alfred had occupied and fortified London in 886 did not mean that he had

(C) Just because King Alfred occupied and fortified London in 886, it did not mean he

(D) The fact that King Alfred occupied and fortified London in 886, it did not mean that he

(E) Just because King Alfred had occupied and fortified London in 886, it did not mean he

A – Comma missing before did. Eliminate

B – same tense.

C – Lacks Parallelism. Had occupied and also had won the loyalty

D – lacks conjunction after comma. Eliminate

E – Lacks parallelism. Had occupied and also had won the loyalty

31. In addition to her work on the miocene homicide fossil record, Mary Leakey contributed to archaeology with her discovery of the earliest direct evidence of hominid activity and painstakingly documenting East African paintings.

(A) Leakey contributed to archaeology with her discovery of the earliest direct evidence of hominid activity and painstakingly documenting

(B) Leakey contributed to archaeology by her discovery of the earliest direct evidence of hominid activity and by painstakingly documenting

(C) Leakey was a contributor to archaeology with her discovery of the earliest direct evidence of hominid activity and with her painstaking documentation of

(D) Leakey's contributions to archaeology include her discovery of the earliest direct evidence of hominid activity and her painstaking documentation of

(E) Leakey's contributions to archaeology include her discovering the earliest direct evidence of hominid activity and painstaking documentation of

First sentence refers to Leaky and not Leaky's contribution. Eliminate D and E
possessive pronouns can refer to possessive nouns. so her can refer to Leakey's

Not parallel - A, B, E

C – Possessive pronoun “her” cant refer to normal noun “Leaky”. Also, Seems like Leaky is contributor to a journal or review and not Archaeology. So wrong usage. Eliminate C

32. A year advantage in a new computer product or process being introduced can give a company a significant edge on its competitors.

a...

b. Introducing a new computer product or process by a year earlier

c. A year's advantage to introduce a new computer product or process

d. To introduce a new computer product or process by a year earlier

e. Being a year ahead in introducing a new computer product or process

A – Year's advantage. Eliminate

B – A year earlier should be as close to introducing. Eliminate

C – X to introduce sounds awkward. Eliminate

D – same as B. Eliminate

E - Keep

33. A historian attempting to predict in the 1870's which nation would take over world leadership from the British probably would have guessed Bismarck's Prussia and been quite wrong.

(A) have guessed Bismarck's Prussia and been

(B) have guessed that it would have been Bismarck's Prussia and he would be

(C) have guessed Bismarck's Prussia and would be

(D) guess Bismarck's Prussia and be

(E) guess that it would be Bismarck's Prussia and would have been

A – Parallel. “Would have guessed” and “**would have** been” This is critical.

B – Not parallel

C – Not parallel

D – not parallel.

E – not parallel

34. Japan is a culture of accommodation and constraint, a system of forms, etiquette, and images, making its ever-present congestion tolerable.

(A) Japan is a culture of accommodation and constraint, a system of forms, etiquette, and images, making its

(B) Japan, a culture of accommodation and constraint, is a system of forms, etiquette, and images, which makes its

(C) A culture of accommodation and constraint, Japan is a system of forms, etiquette, and images making its

(D) **Japan's is a culture of accommodation and constraint, a system of forms, etiquette, and images that makes the**

(E) Japan's is a culture of accommodation and constraint, of a system of forms, etiquette, and images which makes the

"Japan's culture is a culture" is wordier than "Japan's is a culture"

A – Japan is not a culture. Eliminate

B – same as A

C – same as A

D – Parallel and explains clearly. Makes refers to “system of forms” .Keep

E – Here it seems to stress that images make the congestion. Eliminate.

35. An economic recession can result from a lowering of employment rates triggered by a

drop in investment, which causes people to cut consumer spending and starts a cycle of layoffs leading back to even lower employment rates.

a lowering of employment rates triggered by a drop in investment, which causes people to cut consumer spending and start a cycle of layoffs leading back to even lower employment rates.

a lowering of employment rates triggered by dropping investment, which causes people to cut consumer spending and starts a cycle of layoffs leading back to even lower employment rates.

falling employment rates triggered by a drop in investment, which cause cutbacks in consumer spending, starting a cycle of layoffs that lead to even lower employment rates.

falling employment rates that are triggered by a drop in investment, causing people to cut consumer spending and starting a cycle of layoffs that lead back to even lower employment rates.

falling employment rates that are triggered by a drop in investment, causing cutbacks in consumer spending and starting a cycle of layoffs leading to even lower employment rates.

A – Which refers to “drop in unemployment” and that is not correct. Eliminate

B – same as A

C – which refers to “falling unemployment rates” that is correct.

D – Not parallel.

E – “that are” is unnecessary

36. Among the emotions on display in the negotiating room were anger for repeatedly raising the issue over and over again and preventing the raw wounds from earlier battles from ever beginning to heal.

(A) were anger for repeatedly raising the issue over and over again and preventing the raw wounds from earlier battles from ever beginning to heal

(B) was anger for repeatedly raising the issue and preventing the raw wounds from earlier battles from ever beginning to heal

(C) were anger over repeatedly raising the issue and preventing the raw wounds from earlier battles to begin healing

(D) was anger about the issue, which was raised over and over, and preventing the wounds from earlier battles, still raw, to begin healing

(E) were anger about the issue, which was raised repeatedly, and preventing the raw wounds from earlier battles to begin to heal

B and D – S-V error. Eliminate (wrong assumption)

Anger is subject. This is singular. So eliminate "were". Eliminate A, C, E

E – Lacks parallelism. Eliminate

A – redundancy. Eliminate

D – Lacks parallelism. Eliminate.

This is inverted construction

Among the emotions on display in the negotiating room were anger for repeatedly raising the issue and preventing the raw wounds from earlier battles from ever beginning to heal .

The colored portion is subject; I right the sentence in SVO

anger (for repeatedly raising the issue and preventing the raw wounds from earlier battles from ever beginning to heal) **was** among the emotions on display in the negotiating room.

So was will come and Answer is B.

Further -"over and over again" is redundant.

this is accurate, yes.

* if you say "repeatedly", then you can't also say "over and over again".
however, you *could* say "over and over again"; the only reason this is wrong is because it's paired with "repeatedly".

* you know this must be a backward construction, because nothing *before* the verb is eligible to be a subject. (the entire construction preceding the subject is a prepositional phrase - that can't be the subject)

37. According to public health officials, in 1998 Massachusetts became the first state in which more babies were born to women over the age of thirty than under it.

A. than

B. than born

C. than they were

D. than there had been

E. than had been born

Under it refers to under the age of thirty.

A – Parallel. Over the age Vs under it. It refers to “age of thirty”

B – Not parallel. Eliminate

C – same as B. They could refer to women or babies. Eliminate

D – Not parallel . There refers to ? . Eliminate

E – Not parallel. Eliminate

38. Corporate finance committees do not plan the detailed activities of the various divisions in a large firm, but by their allocation of investment funds they make strategic judgements as to where the firm should expand.

a) by their allocation of investment funds they make strategic judgements as to where the firm should expand

b) when they allocate investment funds, they make strategic judgements about where the firm might be expanding

c) they make strategic judgements on where the firm should expand when they allocate investment funds

d) by allocating investment funds, they will make strategic judgements about where the firm might be expanding

e) allocations of investments fund as to where the firm should expand are their exercise in strategic judgement

Not X but Y. Eliminate – A, B, C, D – Wrong view. Don't only see Not X but Y. See the whole sentence context. Here there is no Not X but Y correlation. Here “do not plan the detailed activities” is part of sentence. Be careful with applying this rule. Additionally I was stumped because I did not see any matching answers with this logic.

But is coordinating conjunction connecting two independent sentences.

B and D – change meaning. Might is the reason. Eliminate

E – Fragment. Eliminate

C – “when they allocate” seems to tell me that it’s the timing of the allocation of funds that is critical than the allocation of funds itself. Changes meaning. Eliminate.

39. Cynics charge that Major League Baseball lobbied for stadiums with fewer seats to reduce supply and increase ticket prices.

A. lobbied for stadiums with fewer seats to reduce supply and increase ticket prices.

B. lobbied for stadiums with less seats to reduce supply and increase ticket prices.

C. lobbied for stadiums that had fewer seats to reduce supply and increase ticket prices.

D. lobbied for stadiums that had less seats to reduce supply and increase ticket prices.

E. lobbied for stadiums that had less seats as a means of reducing supply so they could increase ticket prices.

Seats are countable. Eliminate less. Eliminate – B, D and E.

C – gives the impression that stadiums had fewer seats. Now in present it might have changed. This is incorrect. Stadiums with fewer seats is better. Eliminate.

40. A group of students who have begun to clean up Frederick Law Olmstead’s Morning Park in New York City believes that the park needs not to be redesigned but to be returned to its former condition

1)believes that the park needs not to be redesigned but to

2)believe that the park needs to not be redesigned but to

3)believes that the park needs not to be redesigned but could

4)believe that the park needs not to be redesigned but to

5)believe that the park needs not to be redesigned but that it

Group of X – plural. Wrong. Always only check for “one of the XX” that (plural verb), “one of the XX” (singular verb), majority of XX (plural) and The numbers of XX (singular) and A number of XX (singular). **The number of XX is singular!! . All others just consider “of XX” as preposition.**

Group of X – singular.

Eliminate B, D and E

C – Not parallel. Eliminate

A - Parallel.

Always check if any other alternative is parallel from the wrong choices. Then be

cross check if your basis for elimination was accurate or not.

41. On Earth, among the surest indications of sunspot cycles are believed to be the rate that trees grow, as seen in the rings visible in the cross sections of their trunks.

A. On Earth, among the surest indications of sunspot cycles are believed to be the rate that trees grow

B. On Earth, among the surest indications of sunspot cycles are, it is believed, the rate of tree growth

C. On Earth, the rate at which trees grow is believed to be among the surest indications of sunspot cycles

D. Among the surest indications on Earth of sunspot cycles, believed to be the tree growth rate

E. Among the surest indications on Earth of sunspot cycles is believed to be the rate at which trees grow

Inverted statement – Subject is rate. Verb needs to be singular.

A – rate that trees grow. Wrong usage. Rate is singular. S-V error because of are. Eliminate

B – Rate of tree growth is correct. In the Sentence after comma “their trunks” clearly refers to the trees. But we don’t have tree as a subject in the sentence before comma. is singular. S-V error because of are. Eliminate

C – No S-V error. Clear reference to trees. Keep

D – Fragment. Sentence lacks verb. Eliminate

E –Surest indications needs to be as close as possible to sunspot cycles. Eliminate

42. Australian embryologists have found evidence that suggests that the elephant is descended from an aquatic animal, and its trunk originally evolved as a kind of snorkel.

(a)..

(b) that has suggested the elephant descended from an aquatic animal, its trunk originally evolving

(c)suggesting that the elephant had descended from an aquatic animal with its trunk originally evolving

(d) to suggest that the elephant had descended from an aquatic animal and its trunk originally evolving

(e) to suggest that the elephant is descended from an aquatic animal and that its trunk

originally evolved

A – That suggests that – awkward. Suggests is acting as a gerund. It should be in “ed” or “ing” form. Eliminate

B – Suggested what? That is missing. Eliminate

C – Sounds stupid. Elephant descended from X with its trunk. Eliminate

D – We don't want to change tense in parallel unless there's a significant reason ("yesterday I went to the store but today I will stay at home"). No good reason from present perfect "has descended" to past "evolved". It wouldn't be quite as correct to say "the elephant has descended," this implies the action of descending, as in "The elephant has descended the stairs." But this meaning of "descended" is different. To "be descended" from something is a constant (like being "green" or "American"), and thus ought to be in the present tense, as in "Men are descended from apes." You wouldn't say "men have descended from apes," because it isn't a tense action, but a state of being.

E – "descended" and "evolved" are parallel, and everything else is clear.

Infinitive (to suggest) + { [that + descended (past participle) + prepositional phrase] + [that + evolved (past participle) + prepositional phrase] }

43. Several financial officers of the company spoke on condition that they not be named in the press reports.

A. that they not be named

B. that their names will not be used

C. that their names are not used

D. of not having their names

E. of not naming them

“Condition of” is wrong usage. Eliminate. D and E

This is subjunctive mood.

Condition is just like Demand, suggest etc.

The teacher recommended that Jerry be expelled from the class.

.... As “Be” is only in one sentence it’s A. Eliminate C and B.

44. The first time that Larry walked down the ramp, laden with packages, he tripped and nearly dislocated his shoulder.

(A) Larry walked down the ramp, laden with packages,

(B) Larry walked, laden with packages, down the ramp

(C) Larry walked down the ramp, with laden packages,

(D) Larry, laden with packages, walked down the ramp

(E) Larry, laden with packages, had walked down the ramp,

"laden with packages" modifies Larry. Eliminate A, B and C

E – had not necessary. Eliminate

D – Keep.

45. Although dozens of New York's small museums are either devoted to local history or various ethnic groups, there are many one-of-a-kind museums from Manhattan to the Bronx that are open for exploration on summer weekends.

(A) Although dozens of New York's small museums are either devoted to local history or various ethnic groups, there are

(B) Although dozens of New York's small museums are devoted to local history or various ethnic groups,

(C) Dozens of New York's small museums are devoted to local history or various ethnic groups, but there are

(D) Dozens of New York's small museums are devoted to local history or various ethnic groups, and there are also

(E) Devoted to local history or various ethnic groups, dozens of New York's small museums and also

No contrast – Eliminate D and E

A - Keep

B – Sentence fragment after comma. "many one of a kind museums". Eliminate

C – C sounds less convincing with but used in the latter part. Seems like a sudden and unexpected change. Eliminate

46. Based on the growth rates of large modern reptiles such as the Galapagos tortoise and examinations of fossils of juvenile dinosaurs, scientists estimate that the largest dinosaurs probably lived to be between 100 and 200 years old.

(A) Based on the growth rates of large modern reptiles such as

(B) On the basis of growth rates of large modern reptiles such as

(C) Based on the growth rates of large modern reptiles like

(D) On the basis of growth rates of large modern reptiles, like those of

(E) Based on such growth rates as those of large modern reptiles like

Such as – similar to is correct usage here. Eliminate Like. Eliminate C, D and E

B – "On the basis of" modifies "the growth rates" and " examinations of fossil of " .

B. On the basis of X and Y, Scientists estimate - is correct

A would be correct, if we were given: Based on X and Y, **Estimation** of scientist...

47. The Diary of Anne Frank tells the true story of a young girl and her family that were hidden during the Nazi occupation of the Netherlands by a gentile Dutch couple, though they were eventually discovered.

A. that were hidden during the Nazi occupation of the Netherlands by a gentile Dutch couple, though they were eventually discovered

B. that were hidden by a gentile Dutch couple during the Nazi occupation of the Netherlands, though they were eventually discovered

C. whom a gentile Dutch couple hid during the Nazi occupation of the Netherlands but were eventually discovered

D. who were hidden by a gentile Dutch couple during the Nazi occupation of the Netherlands but were eventually discovered

E. who were hidden by a gentile Dutch couple during the Nazi occupation of the Netherlands even though they were eventually discovered

A – “By an gentile couple” needs to be closer to “they were hidden”. Eliminate

B – Not parallel. Were hidden vs they were discovered. They has a ambiguous reference – family or couple? Eliminate

C – Not parallel.

D – Parallel. Clear. Keep

E – same as B

48. A new phenomena, which is visible at Managua’s major intersections, are waves of vendors and beggars, which include many children and mob cars at the stoplights.

(A) A new phenomena, which is visible at Managua’s major intersections, are waves of vendors and beggars, which include many children and

(B) Visible at Managua’s major intersections are waves of vendors and beggars with many children, new phenomena that

(C) A new phenomenon visible at Managua’s major intersections is waves of vendors and beggars, many of them children, who

(D) Phenomenally new waves of vendors, beggars, and many children are visible at Managua’s major intersections, which

(E) A wave of vendors and beggars, many of whom are children, are visible at Managua’s major intersections, where they are a new phenomenon and

A – waves of beggars are at major intersections. This is not clear. Mob is an action that has no subject. Eliminate

B – doesn't make any sense. Phenomena that mob cars!?Eliminate

C – Clear and concise.

D – changes meaning. Eliminate

E – changes meaning. Eliminate

49. Regarded by analysts to be the result of tensions during the Cold War, the spy novel reached the zenith of its sales in the 1960s, when most Americans perceived the U.S.S.R. like a constant threat.

A. Regarded by analysts to be the result of tensions during the Cold War, the spy novel reached the zenith of its sales in the 1960s, when most Americans perceived the U.S.S.R. like a constant threat.

B. The spy novel, regarded by analysts to be the result of tensions during the Cold War, reached the zenith of its sales in the 1960s, when most Americans perceived the U.S.S.R. to be a constant threat.

C. Regarded by analysts as the result of tensions during the Cold War, in the 1960s the spy novel reached the zenith of its sales, when most Americans perceived the U.S.S.R. like a constant threat.

D. Reaching the zenith of its sales in the 1960s, the spy novel was regarded by analysts as the result of tensions during the Cold War, when most Americans perceived the U.S.S.R. as a constant threat.

E. Regarded by analysts as the result of tensions during the Cold War, sales of the spy novel reached their zenith in the 1960s, when most Americans perceived the U.S.S.R. as a constant threat.

Regarded as is the correct idiom

A – Comparison of USSR and Constant threat. Wrong. Eliminate.

B – We want to clearly state that sales is a result of the tensions of war and not the spy novel itself is a result of the tensions of the war. Eliminate

C – In the 1960s is modified by the first part of the sentence. Eliminate

D – When most Americans needs to modify 1960s. Eliminate

E – Sales is modified by the first part of the sentence. We want to clearly state that sales is a result of the tensions of war. Keep

50. At the time of the Mexican agrarian revolution, the most radical faction, that of Zapata and his followers, proposed a return to communal ownership of land, to what had been a pre-Columbian form of ownership respected by the Spaniards.

(A) land, to what had been a pre-Columbian form of ownership respected by the Spaniards

(B) land, a form of ownership of the pre-Columbians and respected by the Spaniards

(C) land, respected by the Spaniards and a pre-Columbian form of ownership

(D) land in which a pre-Columbian form of ownership was respected by the Spaniards

(E) land that had been a pre-Columbian form of ownership respected by the Spaniards

A – Keep. Explains clearly with past perfect tense what happened earlier.

B – changes meaning. Ownership of pre – columbians is wrong. Eliminate

C – Lack of parallelism. Eliminate

D – modifies land and not necessarily “communal ownership of land” . Eliminate

E – same as D. Eliminate

51. In his experiments with gravity, Isaac Newton showed how the motion of each planet in the solar system results from the combined gravitational pull of the Sun and of all the other planets, each contributing according to their mass and distance from the others.

A. of all the other planets, each contributing according to their

B. of all the other planets, with each of them contributing according to their

C. all the other planets, each of which contributing according to its

D. all the other planets, each contributing according to its

E. all the other planets, each of which contribute according to their

A – each of what? Needs more clarity. S-V error. “their” and “Each”

B – Keep. S-V error. “their” and “Each”

C – its is singular. Planets is plural. Eliminate . Its is referring to “Each of XX” which is singular. Choice C is incorrect because “which” should introduce a clause. There is no verb after “which” that makes the choice incorrect

D – same as C. Its is referring to “Each of XX” which is singular. Keep

E – of the Sun and of all the planets is needed. Eliminate. S-V error. “their” and “Each”

52. The ancient Romans piped hot water through the walls and under the floors so as to

warm up the rooms.

A. so as to warm up the rooms

B. and so would be able to warm up the rooms

C. to warm the rooms up

D. so that they could warm up the rooms

E. in order that they would warm up the rooms

A – Keep. so+adjective/adverb/noun+as+infinitive is correct

B – Not parallel. Eliminate

C – Misplaced modifier up. Eliminate

D – changes meaning. Instead of hot water now it will be the romans who will warm up the room. Eliminate Keep

E – “in order to” is the correct usage. Eliminate

53. Famed for his masterful use of irony, many of Guy de Maupassant's short stories have become classics due to the author slowly revealing at the end of each piece a tragic twist of fate.

A. Famed for his masterful use of irony, many of Guy de Maupassant's short stories have become classics due to the author slowly revealing at the end of each piece a tragic twist of fate.

B. Many of Guy de Maupassant's short stories have become classics because of how he famously and masterfully uses irony, evident in the slow revelation of a tragic twist of fate at the end of each piece.

C. Famed for using irony in a masterful way, many of Guy de Maupassant's short stories have become classics because of the author slowly revealing a tragic twist of fate at the end of each piece.

D. Many of Guy de Maupassant's short stories have become classics because of the author's famed and masterful use of irony, evidenced in the slow revelation of a tragic twist of fate at the end of each piece.

E. Many of Guy de Maupassant's short stories have become classics because he slowly revealed a tragic twist of fate at the end of each piece, demonstrating his famed and masterful use of irony.

A – Keep “due to” cant mean “on account of”. Here, we can see that this is exactly how it is meant. “due to” can be replaced by “caused by”. So option A eliminate

B – Past tense. So it should be “used”. Because cant replace due to. Eliminate “He” in the second part of sentence has no clear reference.

C – because of cant replace due to. Eliminate. First part refers to Guy de Maupassant.

So the noun after comma should be the author. **Note that there is no possessive pronoun "his" in the sentence before comma.** Eliminate

D – same as C Keep

E – stories became classic because of his use of irony and not because he slowly revealed a tragic twist. Change of meaning. "he" has no clear reference. Eliminate.

54. 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 than it was in 1990.

A....

B. generated through wind power now as it was

C. generated through wind power now as was the case

D. now generated through wind power as it was

E. now generated through wind power than was the case

A – "Ten times as much energy ... as" is needed. Eliminate

B – IT is ambiguous. It can refer to energy or windpower. "it" would mean that you are comparing some amount of energy to itself. But we want to compare one amount of energy to another. Eliminate

C – He is As fat as Jack. Noun is missing in the latter part. "as was the case in 1990". Keep. Don't eliminate choices because it did not have a noun.

D – misplaced modifier now. Eliminate

E – Eliminate as A

55. 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.

(A) to survive

(B) of firms to survive

(C) for surviving

(D) for survival

(E) for firms' survival

A – last part of the sentence refers to a firms. We need to find a sentence where "firms" is clearly stated. Eliminate

B – "for firms to survive" is correct. Eliminate Keep

C – No reference to firms. Eliminate

D – same as C

E – keep "firms' survival" is possessive and "such firms" can't refer back to it.

56. During an ice age, the buildup of ice at the poles and the drop in water levels near the equator speed up the Earth's rotation, like a spinning figure skater whose speed increases when her arms are drawn in.

(A) like a spinning figure skater whose speed increases when her arms are drawn in

(B) like the increased speed of a figure skater when her arms are drawn in

(C) like a figure skater who increases speed while spinning with her arms drawn in

(D) just as a spinning figure skater who increases speed by drawing in her arms

(E) just as a spinning figure skater increases speed by drawing in her arms

A- We are comparing rotation of earth which is an action. So eliminate Like. Eliminate

B- As A

C- As A

D- We don't need a "Who". If Who is added then there needs to be a comma before.
Eliminate

E - Keep

57. Each of Hemingway's wives—Hadley Richardson, Pauline Pfeiffer, Martha Gelhorn, and Mary Welsh—were strong and interesting women, very different from the often pallid women who populate his novels.

(A) Each of Hemingway's wives—Hadley Richardson, Pauline Pfeiffer, Martha Gelhorn, and Mary Welsh—were strong and interesting women,

(B) Hadley Richardson, Pauline Pfeiffer, Martha Gelhorn, and Mary Welsh—each of them Hemingway's wives—were strong and interesting women,

(C) Hemingway's wives—Hadley Richardson, Pauline Pfeiffer, Martha Gelhorn, and Mary Welsh—were all strong and interesting women,

(D) Strong and interesting women—Hadley Richardson, Pauline Pfeiffer, Martha Gelhorn, and Mary Welsh—each a wife of Hemingway, was

(E) Strong and interesting women—Hadley Richardson, Pauline Pfeiffer, Martha Gelhorn, and Mary Welsh—every one of Hemingway's wives were

A – Keep . Each of XX needs a singular verb. "Were" is wrong. Eliminate

B – Awkward. Eliminate Same as A. Eliminate

C – all is unnecessary. Eliminate . Subject and verb is plural. Keep

D – Each a wife of – wrong usage. Eliminate .

E – Subject – verb error. Every one of XX is singular. Eliminate

58. Dental caries and gingivitis can be exacerbated not only by the foods patients eat but also by when the patients eat them.

(A) not only by the foods patients eat but also by when the patients eat them

(B) by not only the foods patients eat but also by when the patients eat them

(C) not only by the foods patients eat but also by time when the foods are eaten

(D) by not only the foods that are eaten by patients but also by the times the foods are eaten

(E) not only by what patients eat but also by when they eat it

A – “foods **that** patients eat” is correct. Them refers to “food” which is incorrect. Eliminate

B – not only X but also Y is not maintained. Eliminate

C – As A

D – same as B

E – Keep

59. The failing of the book lies not in a lack of attention to scientific detail but in the depiction of scenes of life and death in the marine world with emotional overtones that reduce the credibility of the work.

(A) depiction of scenes of life and death in the marine world with emotional overtones **that**

(B) fact that it depicts marine world scenes of life and death as having emotional overtones that

(C) depiction of scenes of life and death in the marine world, whose emotional overtones

(D) depiction of marine world scenes of life and death, which have emotional overtones and thus

(E) fact that it depicts scenes of life and death in the marine world, whose emotional overtones

A – Keep

B – fact? It is in the depiction and not in the fact. Eliminate

C – whose modifies marine world. Eliminate

D – which modifies death. Eliminate

E – same as B

60. The computer software being designed for a project studying Native American access to higher education will not only meet the needs of that study, but also has the versatility and power of facilitating similar research endeavors.

(A) but also has the versatility and power of facilitating

(B) but also have the versatility and power to facilitate

(C) but it also has the versatility and power to facilitate

(D) and also have the versatility and power of facilitating

(E) and it also has such versatility and power that it can facilitate

GREEN:Prep-phrase BLUE:Subject RED:Verb

Clause1: The computer software being designed for a project studying Native American access to higher education will not only meet the needs of that study,

Clause2: but also has the versatility and power of facilitating similar research endeavors.

The subject in the second clause is "versatility and power" so we need have.

A – Keep. S-V error. Eliminate

B – Computer software is singular. So eliminate Have. Eliminate Correct usage of have. Keep

C – Not Parallel. Eliminate

D – Not Parallel

E - Not Parallel

61. Should present metal prices continue their sharp rise, the value of the copper in a penny will soon be greater than the face value of the coin.

a. Should present metal prices continue their sharp rise,

b. If present metal prices are continuing their sharp rise,

c. If present metal prices continue to sharply rise,

d. Continuation of sharply rising metal prices should mean that

e. Metal prices' sharp rise continuing should mean that

A – Should is only used when for subject "I". Eliminate

B – Keep

C – rise sharply is more better. Eliminate

D – As A

E – As A

(A) If present metal prices continue to sharply rise,

PROBLEM: Can't split an infinitive. Nothing goes between "to" and "rise". (Take that Jean-Luc

Picard...)

(B) If present metal prices are continuing their sharp rise,

PROBLEM: Using the present progressive tense here is grammatically. When we use a conditional like "if", we should just use the regular present tense ("If BLAH continues to happen...").

(C) Should present metal prices continue their sharp rise,

ANSWER: Should is the same as if, signaling the conditional and requiring a simple present tense verb.

(D) Continuation of sharply rising metal prices should mean that

PROBLEM: "Should" here seems to be some kind of recommendation. Why should it mean that? Also, there should be an article in front of continuation ("The continuation").

(E) Metal prices' sharp rise continuing should mean that

PROBLEM: Again, "should" seems to be a recommendation. Also "sharp rise continuing" is grammatically unsound, because it's unclear what it's modifying. Is "sharp rise continuing" one thing, or is it a "sharp rise" that is "continuing"? It's unclear.

62. The failing of the book lies not in a lack of attention to scientific detail but in the depiction of scenes of life and death in the marine world with emotional overtones that reduce the credibility of the work.

(A) depiction of scenes of life and death in the marine world with emotional overtones that

(B) fact that it depicts marine world scenes of life and death as having emotional overtones that

(C) depiction of scenes of life and death in the marine world, whose emotional overtones

(D) depiction of marine world scenes of life and death, which have emotional overtones and thus

(E) fact that it depicts scenes of life and death in the marine world, whose emotional overtones

A – Keep

B – fact? It is in the depiction and not in the fact. Eliminate

C – whose modifies marine world. Eliminate

D – which modifies death. Eliminate

E – same as B

63. A 1972 agreement between Canada and the United States reduced the amount of phosphates that municipalities had been allowed to dump into the Great Lakes.

(A) reduced the amount of phosphates that municipalities had been allowed to dump

(B) reduced the phosphate amount that municipalities had been dumping

(C) reduces the phosphate amount municipalities have been allowed to dump

(D) reduced the amount of phosphates that municipalities are allowed to dump

(E) reduces the amount of phosphates allowed for dumping by municipalities

A – No necessity to change the tense

B – Amount of phosphate is better than phosphate amount. Eliminate

C – Same as B

D – Same tense. Keep

E – “that are” allowed for dumping is better. Plus its passive. Eliminate

64. Nowhere in Prakta is the influence of modern European architecture more apparent than their government buildings.

(A) more apparent than their

(B) so apparent as their

(C) more apparent than in its

(D) so apparent than in their

(E) as apparent as it is in its

A – Not parallel. “than in” is missing. Incorrectly Comparing building with influence. Eliminate

B – wrong comparison. Building Vs influence. “as apparent as” is correct. Eliminate

C – Correct comparison – influence in Buildings in prakta Vs influence in Nowhere in prakta. Also Parallel. Keep

D – “so apparent than” – wrong usage. “as apparent as” is correct. Eliminate

E – First “It” – “influence of modern architechture”. Second its – Prakta. It can only refer one antecedent to avoid ambiguity. Eliminate.

65. In his eagerness to find a city worthy of Priam, the German archaeologist Schliemann cut through Troy and uncovered a civilization a thousand years older as was the city

Homer's heroes knew.

(A) older as was the city Homer's heroes knew

(B) more ancient than the city known to Homer's heroes

(C) older than was the city known to Homer's heroes

(D) more ancient of a city than Homer's heroes knew

(E) older of a city than was the one known to Homer's heroes

A – X older as Y is wrong usage. Eliminate

B – Correct comparison. City known to Homer's heroes Vs a civilization. Keep

C – X older than Y. Eliminate

D – Wrong comparison. Homer's heroes Vs civilization. Eliminate

E – "older of a city" – wrong usage. Eliminate

66. Although ice particles in the upper atmosphere benefit Earth in that they reflect and absorb solar radiation, acting as global thermostat and thus keeping Earth from either burning up or freezing over, they also accelerate the destruction of the ozone layer by reacting with chlorofluorocarbons (CFC's).

A) acting as global thermostat and thus keeping Earth from either burning up or freezing over, they also accelerate

B) acting as a global thermostat and thus keeping Earth either from burning up or freezing over, while also accelerating

C) act as a global thermostat and thus keep Earth from either burning up or freezing over, while also accelerating

D) they act as a global thermostat that thus keeps the Earth either from burning up or freezing over, even though it also accelerates

E) they act as a global thermostat to thus keep Earth from either burning up or freezing over, but they also accelerate

A – Keep

B – Either X or Y is correct usage. Eliminate

C – While is a conjunction. 2nd sentence misses a subject. Eliminate

D – as B

E – "thermostat to thus keep" – ungrammatical. Eliminate

67. This April, three out of seven people will file tax returns with a disk found in software stores and accounting texts.

A. tax returns with a disk found in software stores and accounting texts

B. a tax return with a disk found in software stores and accounting texts

C. tax returns with disks found in a software store and an accounting text

D. tax returns with a disk found in a software store and an accounting text

E. a tax return with a disk found in a software store and an accounting text

A – Tax return is correct as a person can file only one return. Eliminate

B – Tax return is correct as a person can file only one return. Keep

C – we want to highlight disk in multiple stores. So we need to have plural for stores and accounting texts. Eliminate

D – As C

E – As C

68. A recent poll indicates that many people in the United States hold a combination of conservative and liberal political views; i.e., they denounce the big government, saying government is doing too much and has become too powerful, while at the same time supporting many specific government programs for health care, education, and the environment.

A) they denounce the big government, saying government is doing too much and has become too powerful, while at the same time supporting

B) they denounce big government- they say that government is doing too much and has become too powerful-but supporting at the same time

C) they denounce big government, say that government is doing too much and it has become too powerful, while they support at the same time

D) while they denounce big government, saying that government is doing too much and has become too powerful, at the same time supporting

E) while they are denouncing big government- they say that government is doing too much and it has become too powerful-supporting at the same time

A – Keep

B – Change in tense for parallelism. Say Vs supporting

C – Say is not the right word. Saying is the right usage or needs a conjunction or a subject before.

D – While needs to be used in the latter sentence for better understanding

E – as D

A) they denounce the big government, saying government is doing too much and has become too powerful, while at the same time supporting

ANSWER: Parallelism is here, it's just been written oddly. The main verb is "denounce." From there we have two things happening "saying government is doing too much...WHILE...supporting many specific programs." Saying/Supporting is parallel.

B) they denounce big government- they say that government is doing too much and has become too powerful-but supporting at the same time

PROBLEM: As soon as we say "they say" again, we've started a new independent clause. That's not okay. Also "they denounce...but supporting" doesn't work

C) they denounce big government, say that government is doing too much and it has become too powerful, while they support at the same time

PROBLEM: I know people like this because they see denounce/say/support. However, just because something is VISUALLY similar does not mean it's correctly parallel. We can't have a "they" in front of the first verb (denounce" and the third verb (support), but not in front of the second verb (say). Also "at the same time" needs to come BEFORE "they support." If they place it afterwards, it sounds like the people are going to be supporting TWO things "at the same time."

D) while they denounce big government, saying that government is doing too much and has become too powerful, at the same time supporting

PROBLEM: We never actually get an independent clause here. "While" starts us off in something dependent, then both "saying" and "supporting" are opening up participial phrases. Try saying this selection on its own. It's not independent (a full on "sentence"), so doesn't belong after a semicolon.

E) while they are denouncing big government- they say that government is doing too much and it has become too powerful-supporting at the same time

PROBLEM: This one's a mess. We have the weirdness of opening with the dependent clause "while," but then we start a new clause "they say", then modifying oddly with supporting. We also get the same "at the same time" problem as in C.

69. Anyone wishing to be considered for the position should send in their resumes before the deadline on October 10.

A) send in their resumes

B) send their resumes in

C) send in their resume

D) send their resume in

E) send in his resume

A – Anyone is singular. Eliminate.

B – as A

C – Anyone is singular. Eliminate.

D – As A

E – Keep

70. The growth of the railroads led to the abolition of local times, which was determined by when the sun reached the observer's meridian and differing from city to city, and to the establishment of regional times.

(A)which was determined by when the sun reached the observer's meridian and differing

(B)which was determined by when the sun reached the observer's meridian and which differed

(C)which were determined by when the sun reached the observer's meridian and differing

(D)determined by when the sun reached the observer's meridian and differed

(E)determined by when the sun reached the observer's meridian and differing

A –times is plural. Was is incorrect. Eliminate

B – same as A. Eliminate

C – Not parallel. **Determined and differing. In this sentence the role of determined is a VERB.** Hence, Determined Vs differing needs to be parallel. C says "which were determined by and differing" - those aren't parallel.

In D and E, you can tell determined = participle, not verb, because (a) it immediately follows a comma and (b) there's no subject you could match up with determined in a normal subject-verb configuration. Even if you match determined with the noun "times" (to which the clause is referring) "times, determined by" is not proper subject-verb config.

D – Keep. See explanation below. **The role of determined is of a participle and not a verb. So we don't do parallelism check of determined Vs Differing**

E – incorrect tense. Differing and determined. See explanation below. **The role of determined is of a participle and not a verb. So we don't do parallelism check of determined Vs Differing.**

I thought it was C, but then I saw D/E, and it's E.

Compare:

D) The growth of the railroads led to the abolition of local times, determined by when the sun reached the observer's meridian and differed from city to city, and to the establishment of regional times.

E) 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.

Here's the trick:

Look at D. break it up:

The growth of the railroads led to the abolition of local times, determined by when the sun reached the observer's meridian

& the 2nd part after the AND:

The growth of the railroads led to the abolition of local times, differed from city to city, or, as in E,

The growth of the railroads led to the abolition of local times, differing from city to city, and to the establishment of regional times

Clear E. This is a hard one. Look up the fungus SC question to understand this one better.

Answers:

1. E
2. E
3. A
4. A
5. D
6. D
7. B
8. B
9. C
10. B
11. A
12. E
13. D
14. A
15. E
16. D
17. C
18. B
19. A

- 20. B
- 21. D
- 22. E
- 23. E
- 24. D
- 25. B
- 26. D
- 27. A
- 28. D
- 29. E
- 30. B
- 31. D
- 32. D
- 33. A
- 34. D
- 35. C
- 36. B
- 37. A
- 38. A
- 39. A
- 40. A
- 41. C
- 42. E
- 43. A
- 44. D
- 45. D
- 46. B
- 47. D
- 48. C
- 49. E
- 50. A
- 51. D
- 52. D
- 53. D
- 54. C
- 55. B

- 56. E
- 57. C
- 58. E
- 59. A
- 60. B
- 61. A
- 62. A
- 63. D
- 64. C
- 65. B
- 66. A
- 67. B
- 68. A
- 69. E
- 70. E