

Idioms Test for GMAT Takers

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- All the right choices of this test belong exclusively to the idioms labeled as RIGHT in the *Manhattan GMAT Sentence Correction* volume, which means that a wrong choice won't be necessarily grammatically incorrect.
- The correct answers are located in the last page of this document.
- *Good luck!*

Select your answer filling the circle on the right side of your choice.

The idiom is emphasized with **boldface** characters.

1	A	Will Ferrell's cameo scenes are so funny as anything he's ever done.	<input type="radio"/>
	B	Will Ferrell's cameo scenes are as funny that anything he's ever done.	<input type="radio"/>
	C	Will Ferrell's cameo scenes are as funny as anything he's ever done.	<input type="radio"/>

2	A	The market has confidence that the firm will add back leverage to increase profits.	<input type="radio"/>
	B	The market has confidence in the firm's ability to add back leverage to increase profits.	<input type="radio"/>
	C	The market has confidence in the firm to add back leverage to increase profits.	<input type="radio"/>

3	A	What these scores tell us is that rigor is lacking in some schools.	<input type="radio"/>
	B	What these scores tell us is that some schools lack of rigor.	<input type="radio"/>
	C	What these scores tell us is that there's a lack of rigor in some schools.	<input type="radio"/>

4	A	The city industrialists have demande d the state government to meet the promises made by chief minister Ashok Chavan.	<input type="radio"/>
	B	The city industrialists have demande d that the state government meet the promises made by chief minister Ashok Chavan.	<input type="radio"/>
	C	The city industrialists have demande d that the state government met the promises made by chief minister Ashok Chavan.	<input type="radio"/>

5	A	Tensions have flared in some parts of the country between blacks with Hispanics	<input type="radio"/>
	B	Tensions have flared in some parts of the country between blacks and Hispanics	<input type="radio"/>
	C	Tensions have flared in some parts of the country among blacks and Hispanics	<input type="radio"/>

6	A	The problem is Disney's ability to take control of some of the best-known characters quickly is very limited.	<input type="radio"/>
	B	The problem is Disney's ability of taking control of some of the best-known characters quickly is very limited.	<input type="radio"/>
	C	The problem is Disney's ability for taking control of some of the best-known characters quickly is very limited.	<input type="radio"/>

7	A	A reading above 50 percent indicates the manufacturing economy to be generally expanding.	<input type="radio"/>
	B	A reading above 50 percent indicates that the manufacturing economy is generally expanding.	<input type="radio"/>
	C	A reading above 50 percent indicates the manufacturing economy is generally expanding.	<input type="radio"/>

8	A	In contrast to the first two options centralizing decision making, a Cap and Trade system will not.	<input type="radio"/>
	B	As contrasted with the first two options, a Cap and Trade system will decentralize decision making.	<input type="radio"/>
	C	In contrast to the first two options, a Cap and Trade system will decentralize decision making.	<input type="radio"/>

9	A	This report has been issued by the association since 1931, excepting a four-year interruption during World War II.	<input type="radio"/>
	B	This report has been issued by the association since 1931, except for a four-year interruption during World War II.	<input type="radio"/>
	C	This report has been issued by the association since 1931, with the exception of a four-year interruption during World War II.	<input type="radio"/>

10	A	Its gross margin rose from 22% up to 25%, but its operating margin fell from 7% down to 4%.	<input type="radio"/>
	B	Its gross margin rose from 22% to 25%, but its operating margin fell from 7% to 4%.	<input type="radio"/>
	C	Its gross margin rose from 22% until 25%, but its operating margin fell from 7% till 4%.	<input type="radio"/>

11	A	"I believe that wealth is a means for an end, not an end in itself".	<input type="radio"/>
	B	"I believe that wealth is a means of an end, not an end in itself".	<input type="radio"/>
	C	"I believe that wealth is a means to an end, not an end in itself".	<input type="radio"/>

12	A	The ancient Chinese Taoists distinguished intercourse and orgasm.	<input type="radio"/>
	B	The ancient Chinese Taoists distinguished intercourse from orgasm.	<input type="radio"/>
	C	The ancient Chinese Taoists distinguished between intercourse and orgasm.	<input type="radio"/>

13	A	It would have been easy enough for her to buy a ranch-style house that she could easily and logically decorate with Scandinavian-style furniture.	<input type="radio"/>
	B	It would have been easy enough so that she bought a ranch-style house that she could easily and logically decorate with Scandinavian-style furniture.	<input type="radio"/>
	C	It would have been easy enough as to buy a ranch-style house that she could easily and logically decorate with Scandinavian-style furniture.	<input type="radio"/>

14	A	iPhone users download two to four times as many more games, video, and other Web data than other smartphone users.	<input type="radio"/>
	B	iPhone users download two to four times as many more games, video, and other Web data as other smartphone users.	<input type="radio"/>
	C	iPhone users download two to four times as many games, video, and other Web data as other smartphone users.	<input type="radio"/>

15	A	We have one chance in a million of winning the World Cup.	<input type="radio"/>
	B	We have one in a million chances to win the World Cup.	<input type="radio"/>
	C	We have one chance in a million for winning the World Cup.	<input type="radio"/>

16	A	Our economic well-being is generally determined from the amount of goods and services that we consume.	<input type="radio"/>
	B	Our economic well-being is generally determined by the amount of goods and services that we consume.	<input type="radio"/>
	C	Our economic well-being is generally determined through the amount of goods and services that we consume.	<input type="radio"/>

17	A	She is credited for solving numerous cases.	<input type="radio"/>
	B	She is credited with solving numerous cases.	<input type="radio"/>
	C	She is credited as being a great detective.	<input type="radio"/>

18	A	Why hasn't Congress mandated that the total premium cost be shown as wages on every pay stub but not taxed?	<input type="radio"/>
	B	Why hasn't Congress a mandate for the total premium cost to be shown as wages on every pay stub but not taxed?	<input type="radio"/>
	C	Why hasn't Congress mandated that the total premium cost are shown as wages on every pay stub but not taxed?	<input type="radio"/>

19	A	A 13-year-old girl was mistakenly abducted in March 2008 by traffickers who were believed to have mistaken her as the niece of a suspected drug dealer.	<input type="radio"/>
	B	A 13-year-old girl was mistakenly abducted in March 2008 by traffickers who were believed to have mistaken her for the niece of a suspected drug dealer.	<input type="radio"/>
	C	A 13-year-old girl was mistakenly abducted in March 2008 by traffickers who were believed to have mistaken her to the niece of a suspected drug dealer.	<input type="radio"/>

20	A	But both consider the problems as necessary inconveniences to feature their conferences and programs.	<input type="radio"/>
	B	But both consider the problems to be necessary inconveniences to feature their conferences and programs.	<input type="radio"/>
	C	But both consider the problems necessary inconveniences to feature their conferences and programs.	<input type="radio"/>

21	A	The drug maker proposed the litigation be centralized in the US District Court for the Northern District of Ohio.	<input type="radio"/>
	B	The drug maker proposed that the litigation is to be centralized in the US District Court for the Northern District of Ohio.	<input type="radio"/>
	C	The drug maker proposed that the litigation be centralized in the US District Court for the Northern District of Ohio.	<input type="radio"/>

22	A	The astronauts would probably best use their remaining time living and working on Mars instead of dying at home.	<input type="radio"/>
	B	The astronauts would probably best use their remaining time living and working on Mars rather dying at home.	<input type="radio"/>
	C	The astronauts would probably best use their remaining time living and working on Mars rather than dying at home.	<input type="radio"/>

23	A	The company requires him hold stock valued at \$4.4 million, four times his annual base salary of \$1.1 million.	<input type="radio"/>
	B	The company requires him to hold stock valued at \$4.4 million, four times his annual base salary of \$1.1 million.	<input type="radio"/>
	C	The company requires him holding stock valued at \$4.4 million, four times his annual base salary of \$1.1 million.	<input type="radio"/>

24	A	Cuban poverty is a result of the American trade embargo.	<input type="radio"/>
	B	The result of the American embargo was Cuba impoverished.	<input type="radio"/>
	C	Resulting from the American embargo, Cuba impoverished.	<input type="radio"/>

25	A	A rising of electricity prices fuelled the 18 percent year-on-year jump in the company's revenues to 3.6 billion zlotys.	<input type="radio"/>
	B	A rise in electricity prices fuelled the 18 percent year-on-year jump in the company's revenues to 3.6 billion zlotys.	<input type="radio"/>
	C	A raise in electricity prices fuelled the 18 percent year-on-year jump in the company's revenues to 3.6 billion zlotys.	<input type="radio"/>

26	A	It seems like the company is slowly running out of new features to add.	<input type="radio"/>
	B	The company seems as if it is slowly running out of new features to add.	<input type="radio"/>
	C	It seems as if the company is slowly running out of new features to add.	<input type="radio"/>

27	A	Sweet potatoes are native in Central America and Peru.	<input type="radio"/>
	B	Sweet potatoes are native from Central America and Peru.	<input type="radio"/>
	C	Sweet potatoes are native to Central America and Peru.	<input type="radio"/>

28	A	Every product use similar recycled papers, cardboard and other materials, in addition to lead-free paints, non toxic glues and inks.	<input type="radio"/>
	B	All products use similar recycled papers, cardboard and other materials, in addition to lead-free paints, non toxic glues and inks.	<input type="radio"/>
	C	Each product use similar recycled papers, cardboard and other materials, in addition to lead-free paints, non toxic glues and inks.	<input type="radio"/>

29	A	The lead-in from “Dancing With the Stars” will be high, and so too the expectations.	<input type="radio"/>
	B	The lead-in from “Dancing With the Stars” will be high, and also the expectations.	<input type="radio"/>
	C	The lead-in from “Dancing With the Stars” will be high, and so too will be the expectations.	<input type="radio"/>

30	A	The average price has risen at least 1 cent per gallon per day for eight consecutive days to \$2.952, 10 cents as much as a week ago.	<input type="radio"/>
	B	The average price has risen at least 1 cent per gallon per day for eight consecutive days to \$2.952, 10 cents more than a week ago.	<input type="radio"/>
	C	The average price has risen at least 1 cent per gallon per day for eight consecutive days to \$2.952, 10 cents more from a week ago.	<input type="radio"/>

31	A	Sponsors increasingly use the Internet like a direct media channel to customers.	<input type="radio"/>
	B	Sponsors increasingly use the Internet to be a direct media channel to customers.	<input type="radio"/>
	C	Sponsors increasingly use the Internet as a direct media channel to customers.	<input type="radio"/>

32	A	Haz had a way of speaking that was less like giving information and more like warnings and omens.	<input type="radio"/>
	B	Haz had a way for speaking that was less like giving information and more like warnings and omens.	<input type="radio"/>
	C	Haz had a way to speak that was less like giving information and more like warnings and omens.	<input type="radio"/>

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Answer Sheet

Question	Correct choice
1	C
2	A
3	A
4	B
5	B
6	A
7	B
8	C
9	B
10	B
11	C
12	C
13	A
14	C
15	A
16	B
17	B
18	A
19	B
20	C
21	C
22	C
23	B
24	A
25	B
26	C
27	C
28	B
29	C
30	B
31	C
32	A