



## Exercises

### 1. Parts of Speech Review

Q1) A.

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|-------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| a) Hungry - adjective   | b) Spend - verb    | c) Backpack - noun      |
| d) And - conjunction    | e) Hardly - adverb | f) Dry - adjective      |
| g) Behind - preposition | h) New - adjective | i) Bravo - interjection |

Q1) B.

Paul Anderson (n) was proclaimed the world-champion (adj) weight-lifter (n). He (pn) established this record by lifting (v) 1175 pounds. The records (n) indicate that the first (adj) fight with boxing (adj) gloves was fought (v) in 1818 in France. In 1876, R. Barnes (n) of Chicago led (v) the National League with (p) an average of 403.

C.

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|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|
| a) went, bought - (verb)    | b) now - (adverb)             | c) there - (adverb) |
| d) Masons, houses - (noun)  | e) up - (adverb)              |                     |
| f) Although - (conjunction) | g) underneath - (preposition) |                     |

Q2)

Parts of speech	Definition	Examples
Pronouns	Words that name people, places, things, or ideas.	<u>I</u> am feeling sad for <u>her</u> .
Adverbs	Words that describe nouns or pronouns.	I <u>rarely</u> go to meet him.
Verbs	Words that are used in place of noun.	He was <u>playing</u> with the ball.
Adjectives	Words that modify verbs and tell us 'how', 'where' and 'when' the actions are done.	She wore a <u>beautiful</u> hat.
Conjunctions	Words that are used to express feelings and emotions.	I like to watch movies <u>but</u> not very often.
Prepositions	Words that show the actions done by the subject.	The book is <u>on</u> the table.
Nouns	Words that join two or more sentences or clauses.	Sheela is a tall <u>woman</u> .
Interjections	Words that show the position of a noun in a sentence with respect to other parts of speech.	<u>Bravo!</u> What a victory it was!



**Q3) (Answer may vary)**

Raju was a young boy who loved to eat different varieties of food. Once he accidentally went to a library thinking, it was a restaurant. The librarian told him to go to a nearby restaurant which serves delicious Mexican food. On his way to the restaurant, he saw a beautiful woman wearing a lovely hat. He walked a little ahead and saw the restaurant. Some people were dancing there. Then he went home and packed his bags to go for a vacation to Antarctica. He had a wonderful time there too trying out various cuisines. He truly was a foodie who travelled all around the world to experience different types of cuisines.

**2. Phrase and Clause****Q1)**

- a) Phrase    b) Clause    c) Clause    d) Phrase    e) Clause

**Q2) A.**

- a) He arrived: clause; after the meeting was over: clause; after the meeting: phrase  
 b) Grandfather told us : clause; an interesting story: phrase  
 c) The new teacher: phrase; Clause: The new teacher is competent and teaches well  
 d) We had made pizzas and sizzlers: clause; for the party: phrase  
 e) You must study hard: clause; you shall fail: clause; tomorrow's test: phrase  
 f) I committed a mistake: clause; I apologised for it: clause; the next day: phrase

**Q2) B. (Answers may vary)**

- a) I saw a beautiful woman walking in the park.  
 b) I went along the bushes to look for the ball.  
 c) I have been waiting here for a long time.  
 d) There is a stain on his shirt.

**Q3) (Answer may vary)**

Our Prime Minister has taken a very important initiative of bringing the social issues to light and creating a wave of change in many of the issues. The speech he gave on the occasion of teacher's day was very thoughtful and eye-opening for not only students but every citizen. The young students are the future of our country and teachers play a very important role in shaping up these young minds. Our Prime Minister has taken an important initiative of bringing this to the notice of the common man. This helps us understand the importance of a teacher in our life. This will definitely encourage many young minds to take up the teaching profession seriously at par with other professions like engineering, medical or business management.

### 3. Indefinite and Continuous Tenses

Q1) A.

- a) play - Present Indefinite
- b) were shouting - Past Continuous
- c) play - Present Indefinite
- d) contains - Present Indefinite
- e) went - Past Indefinite
- f) Was, walked - Past Indefinite
- g) will be practising - Future Continuous

Q1) B.

- |                 |                                   |              |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| a) likes        | b) will travel/will be travelling | c) are going |
| d) will go      | e) will be rising/will rise       | f) met       |
| g) was watching | h) wonder                         | i) says      |

Q1) C.

- |                |               |             |              |
|----------------|---------------|-------------|--------------|
| a) will be     | b) will get   | c) will buy | d) will envy |
| e) will travel | f) will serve |             |              |

Q2) A.

Dear Mridul,

I had a fantastic holiday in Jamaica. It was hot and the sea was blue and lovely.

I travelled by plane from London to Kingston. I really enjoyed the flight. It was eight hours long but I didn't sleep at all because I was so excited. During the flight I listened to music, watched a film and talked to the girl in the seat next to me.

I stayed with my aunt and uncle in Kingston. They invited me on a trip to Montego Bay. We stopped at an Orchid Farm. It was brilliant. On my last night there I didn't get to bed until three o'clock in the morning!

See you soon!

Love,

Rhea

## Q2) B.

Father: Alice, what **are you doing** (you/do)?

Alice: I am cleaning (clean) the house. I usually do (do) my homework but today I am not going (not/go) to school.

Father: Where's your mum?

Alice: She is making (make) a cake. She usually goes (go) to the market but today my friends are coming (come).

## Q2) C.

- (1) a. spending
- (2) c. working
- (3) b. are
- (4) b. have
- (5) c. eat
- (6) c. buy
- (7) c. contain
- (8) c. increases

## Q3) (Answer may vary)

I went for a school picnic to Kidzania last week. We reached school at 6 a.m. and boarded a bus which was arranged by the school. While going to Kidzania, we sang songs, played games and had a lot of fun in the bus. We reached there at about 7 a.m. and started playing the various games meant for us. There was a fire brigade made, a hospital, a baker's shop, where we got hands-on experience of doing various activities. We also got a tattoo made on our hands. All the games were very interesting and educative. While going back home, we were feeling very sad as we wanted to be there and play more games.



## 4. Perfect and Perfect Continuous Tenses

Q1)

- a) had been sleeping
- b) has/had been waiting
- c) has been looking for
- d) has she been staying
- e) have been playing
- f) had been taking

Q2) A. (Answers may vary)

- a) She had cooked Rice and Dal for Lunch yesterday.
- b) She has been walking for over an hour now.
- c) I will have studied the Science lessons by tomorrow.
- d) He had been dreaming about buying a luxurious car for some time.

Q2) B.

I went to watch a movie with my brother yesterday. I had been running late due to a bad traffic jam. When I reached the theatre, my brother had already picked up the tickets. He was a little upset with me as he had been waiting for over an hour. We had just settled down in the hall when the electricity went off. I was really disappointed as I had to leave/had left office early to watch this movie. The theatre authorities announced that they had been looking into the problem and it should be resolved soon.

We had been waiting for about 15 minutes after which the electricity was back and the movie started. Finally, I had been watching/had watched the movie I had waited/had been waiting for!

Q3) (Answer may vary)

My exam date has been announced. It is scheduled next month, but I have already started preparing for it. I have been studying for a week or so. I have also prepared a time-table for studies. I have been waking up at 5 a.m. to study. I study till 7 a.m. after which I take a nap for an hour. My mother has been waking up with me to be around when I study. I will have been writing my paper at this time next month. This does make me a little nervous, but I am confident that I will score well this time. I have prepared a very good time-table and I have been following it sincerely.

## 5. Tense Review

### Q1) A.

- a) Future continuous tense - will be visiting      b) Future perfect tense - will have read  
c) Future continuous tense - will be going      d) Simple present tense - drink  
e) Simple past tense - was, came  
f) Past continuous tense - was cycling, Simple Past - fell  
g) Future perfect tense - shall have finished

### Q1) B.

- a) has broken      b) has been rising/has risen  
c) wore      d) will be visiting/will visit  
e) go cycling      f) will have shifted

### Q2) A.

- a) My friend was playing with me.  
b) The flight is leaving at 3 o'clock in the morning.  
c) I will have gone to school by tomorrow.  
d) The train leaves at 6 in the morning.

### Q2) B. (Answers may vary)

The match began this morning.

I will have completed my homework by tomorrow.

I was blowing balloons for my brother's birthday party.

She will have carried the books to the library by this evening.

### Q3) (Answer may vary)

The girl was walking in the garden with her dog when she saw a cop running behind a thief. The thief was trying to push the cop away and run. After a long struggle, the thief managed to run away. Another woman who had been shopping in a nearby jewellery outlet saw him running and she immediately informed the cops. A lady cop, who was very smart came and caught hold of the thief. He was running away with some cash and gold jewellery in his bag. The policewoman thanked the lady who informed them. The thief was feeling sorry for what he had done, but it was a crime which cannot be ignored. He was arrested immediately.

## 6. Active and Passive Voice

Q1) A.

- a) A                      b) A                      c) P                      d) A  
e) P                      f) P

Q1) B.

- a) Milk is being drunk by the baby.  
b) A fruit basket is being carried by the woman.  
c) This beautiful painting has been made by Raman.  
d) The dog is/was hit by him with a stick.  
e) Raju was taken to the hospital by his friends.  
f) The old man is being helped by the boys.  
g) The mouse was killed by the cat.  
h) The door was opened by the boy.  
i) The thief was caught by the policeman.  
j) My brother is loved by everyone.  
k) Badminton will be played by him at the club tomorrow.

Q2) (Answers may vary)

Verb	Active Voice	Passive voice
watch	I am watching a movie	The movie is being watched by me.
learn	I am learning French	French is being learned by me.
appoint	The society has appointed him as the Chairman.	He has been appointed by the society as a Chairman.
pick	I will pick you up.	You will be picked up by me.

Q3) (Answer may vary)

My friend and I have created (A) a banner for the upcoming sports day function in our school. The work was divided (P) by us. I took (A) the responsibility of doing the writing work, while the responsibility of decorating the banner was taken (P) by my friend. The theme for the banner was decided (P) by us after discussing with our principal. We Painted (A) the backdrop and started (A) working on the writings and the decoration. One entire classroom was occupied (P) by us to work on the banner. It took (A) us a week to finish the banner. We were appreciated (P) by the Principal for creating such a beautiful banner.

## 7. Subject Verb Agreement, Transitive and Intransitive

Q1) A.

- |                               |                            |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
| a) fought - Intransitive verb | b) Bought - Transitive     |
| c) blew - Transitive          | d) carried - Transitive    |
| e) sank - Intransitive        | f) sleeping - Intransitive |

Q1) B.

- |         |        |          |        |
|---------|--------|----------|--------|
| a) wait | b) is  | c) study | d) are |
| e) are  | f) has |          |        |

Q2)

It was a beautiful morning in the kingdom of Dholakpur. Everyone was busy with their morning routine. Tuntun aunty was selling ladoos at her sweet shop. Just then, Sita shouted loudly, 'Mummy, give me some ladoos.' 'Ssh!' said Tuntun aunty. 'Geeta and Raju are sleeping. Don't be so loud. Why don't you go and play outside?' 'Neither Leena nor Priya is playing today. What would I do alone mother?' said Sita. Many children have fallen sick. 'Oh!' exclaimed Tuntun aunty. 'Then why don't you study Sita? Please do your mathematics homework. Mathematics is an important subject'. 'Alright mother, I shall complete my homework now,' said Sita. 'When Geeta and Raju are awake, I will play with them.'

Transitive Verbs	Intransitive Verbs
selling	shouted
complete	sleeping
play	go
	playing

## Q3) (Answer may vary)

Raju, Raman and Ram were best friends. They lived (T) in the Bangalore city. They went (T) to the same school, lived (T) in the same locality and had similar hobbies. They loved (T) to swim. Every day they would go swimming (IT) together. They also liked playing (T) cricket. Every Sunday they would go (T) to a nearby ground and play (T) cricket. Raju was a good batsman while Raman bowled (IT) well. Ram was a good wicket keeper. One day, Raju badly injured (T) his leg. Ram and Raman immediately took (T) him to a nearby doctor. Raju's leg was bleeding (IT). The doctor asked him to stay (T) home and take (T) rest for some days. Due to this Raju could not move (IT) out of the house. Ram and Raman came to meet (T) him every day after school. They would play (T) board games at home, watch (T) TV and stay (T) there till dinner. Raju felt (T) very lucky to have such caring friends.

## 8. Use of Modal Auxiliaries

## Q1)

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|--------------------|------------------------------|
| a) Would - Request | b) should - Suggestion       |
| c) can - Ability   | d) must - Necessity          |
| e) could - Ability | f) can - Informal Permission |

## Q2)

- |              |          |           |
|--------------|----------|-----------|
| a) may/might | b) might | c) should |
| d) must, can | e) will  | f) Would  |

## Q3) (Answer may vary)

Dear Ria,

Hope you are doing fine! Hope your parents and your sister are doing fine too! I remember the last time I came to Delhi, your sister accompanied me for shopping. She knows every place in Delhi very well.

I am coming to Delhi next week on 15th September for a wedding in the family. I will be there for a week. The first two days I shall be busy in the wedding functions. I am dancing for the wedding this time. Yes I can dance finally! I have learnt to dance now. Once the wedding is over, can I come over and meet you? It's been really long since we met. I remember your sister loved the laddoos which I had got last time. I will surely get them this time too.

We must meet the rest of our friends too this time. We should stay in touch with all of them.

Waiting to see you soon!

Your loving friend,

Aditi

## 9. Types of Pronouns

Q1)

- a) She, who - Personal Pronoun, Relative Pronoun
- b) Who - Interrogative Pronoun
- c) Some, which - Indefinite Pronoun, Relative Pronoun
- d) Me - Personal Pronoun
- e) They, themselves - Third person plural Personal Pronoun, Reflexive Pronoun

Q2) A.

- a) that      b) Who      c) This, that      d) One/neither/either/each/none
- e) herself      f) Many/some      g) who      h) Any/none/either/neither

Q2) B. (Answers may vary)

- a) This is my book.      b) The lovely doll is hers.
- c) I will do it myself.      d) The dress which looked pretty is expensive.
- e) Each of the students are intelligent.      f) Some of the boys have not come.

Q2) C.

- a) I met Raju who had just returned.
- b) I have found the phone which I had lost.
- c) This is the building that was built in a month's time.
- d) The boy who tells lies deserves to be punished.
- e) The man who stole the jewellery has been arrested.

Q3) (Answer may vary)

This is a story of the little Red Riding Hood who was going to meet her old grandmother who stays in a forest. On her way, she meets a woodcutter who asked her, "Where are you going my child?" Little Red Riding Hood replied, "I am going to meet my old grandmother. She stays in the woods beside the lake." "Alright, but be careful, said the woodcutter." "The forest is dangerous and there are many wild animals in it. You must take care of yourself." The woodcutter warned her. A cunning fox was listening to the conversation and got an idea. He went to her grandmother's house, ate her grandmother and dressed up like her to cheat Little Red Riding Hood. As she reached the house, she realized that it was the fox and not her grandmother. She said, "Oh! This is the danger the woodcutter was talking about. You sly fox go away and give my grandma back to me. What do you think of yourself? You can't fool me." The fox ran behind her. Red Riding Hood shouted for help. The woodcutter who was cutting wood nearby heard this and ran behind the fox. He caught hold of the fox and showed him the axe. He said, "Get her grandma back or else I will kill you." The fox was scared and got the grandma out. Red Riding Hood was happy to see her grandma and hugged her tight.

## 10. Types of adjectives and Degrees of comparison

Q1) A.

- a) My - Possessive Adjective
- b) Both - Adjective of number; This, that - Demonstrative Adjectives;  
Better - Comparative Degree
- c) Few - Indefinite Adjective
- d) Either - Distributive Adjective; Marble - Quality
- e) Many - Indefinite Adjectives; our - Possessive Adjective; Intelligent - Adjective of Quality

Q1) B.

Positive	Comparative	Superlative
large	larger	largest
clever	cleverer	cleverest
difficult	more difficult	most difficult
proper	more proper	most proper
bad	worse	worst
rich	richer	richest

Q2) A.

What was that noise? I asked. Richa said, "This noise is coming from the jungle. Looks like some wild animal is injured!" "Oh!" I exclaimed. "Let us call someone to help the poor animal. He must be in pain!" "But nobody is here right now, whom should we call?" Richa asked. "I have an idea Richa. Let's call some people from the nearby village. They will decide what has to be done." "Alright, I shall call some of them right now, we must help the poor animal," said Richa.

Q2) B.

- a) That - That house belongs to me.
- b) Whose - Whose book is kept on the table?
- c) Each - Each member is entitled to avail the services.
- d) Some - Some children do not enjoy reading.
- e) Either - Either child would be allowed entry.
- f) Its - The bird was hurt. Its feathers were broken.
- g) Your - Your car is parked in the wrong place.



**Q3) (Answer may vary)**

Teacher: Congratulations for the wonderful results Rahul. Few people can show such an improvement in a short while.

Student: Thank you teacher! It was your advice and support that helped me do well.

Teacher: Many students have done well this time. I am sure you all are working hard. This is your achievement and you must celebrate it!

Student: Thank you teacher. Without your support and encouragement, I would have never done well. You have always encouraged me. I was somebody who was never interested in studies. You were the one who explained the importance of studying hard. Everybody in my family thought I will never be able to do well. But I have proved them all wrong. I have achieved that success which my parents were hoping for.

Teacher: That's great! I am happy for your parents and you.

## 11. Adverbs - Time, Place, Manner, Degree and Frequency

**Q1) A.**

- a) One afternoon - time, down - place, loudly - manner
- b) hardly - frequency, there - place
- c) occasionally - frequency
- d) accidentally - manner
- e) bravely - manner
- f) Finally - time
- g) twice - frequency
- h) Fortunately - manner, very & much - degree

**Q1) B.**

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|------------|-------------|-----------------|
| a) usually | b) upstairs | c) never        |
| d) once    | e) swiftly  | f) mysteriously |
| g) loudly  | h) very     |                 |

**Q1) C.**

- a) Angry: My father angrily told me to go and study.
- b) Careful: We must do our work very carefully.
- c) Comfortable: We reached the place comfortably in his car.
- d) Courageous: The soldiers courageously fought the battle.

## Q2) A.

Today I helped my mom cook dinner. Generally I just help her with washing the vegetables and getting the dishes out. But today I thought of cooking with her. We carefully cut the vegetables and placed them into a boiling pot of water. Next, mom quickly made the white sauce and patiently let it cook through. I eagerly waited for my next job, which was to gently sprinkle spices into the sauce. I accidentally put in too many chilli flakes! I quietly told my mom my mistake and she sweetly told me that as a child, she had coincidentally made the same mistake. Finally, the sauce was ready and it tasted very yummy! My family happily had it and mom said I should cook more often.

Time	Place	Manner	Degree	Frequency
finally		Carefully	Too	generally
today		patiently	Very	often
		accidentally		
		quickly		
		quietly, Coincidentally		
		happily, eagerly		
		Sweetly, gently		

## Q2) B.

- You must come home more often.
- I seldom go to the temple even though it is right next to my house.
- The shopkeeper spoke to me very arrogantly; I am never going to that shop again.
- I quietly ran towards her when she was studying.

## Q3) (Answer may vary)

Long ago there was a pirate. He was a very smart captain and he knew a lot about the hidden treasure. He rarely spoke to anyone. He always drank rum and sang his favourite song. He had suffered a stroke several times but was still not very careful about his health. He was also a soft target for other pirates who were looking for the treasure. They wanted to kill him and swiftly take away the treasure map which was hidden in in his treasure box. Suddenly, one day he was killed by a blind man.

## 12. Direct and Indirect speech

Q1)

- a) Mother ordered to go wash my hands before I sat for dinner.
- b) Teacher asked Amit to come to the board and solve that sum.
- c) I asked papa what time he would return from office that day since I wanted to go out for ice cream.
- d) The lion roared and asked how a little mouse like me could help him.
- e) The fruit vendor suggested me to buy the chikoos and custard apple since they were fresh and sweet.

Q2)

I went to the doctor in the morning and he said, "You have a sore throat. What did you eat last night?" I said, "I ate frozen kulfi." The doctor said, "That may have caused the sore throat. You shall avoid anything cold for the entire week. You also need to do warm water gargles atleast three times a day. You also need to take some medicines I prescribe for atleast five days and then see me."

Q3) (Answer may vary)

### Indirect Speech

Rohan was interviewed by a children's magazine. He said that he studied in St. Peters School. He was asked how much T.V. he watched daily and he said that he watched TV for about 1 hour. On being asked about children in advertisements, he said that he thought it was good since it helped him connect with the thing being sold but sometimes it was bad also since he wanted to buy only those things that he saw on T.V. When asked how media influenced young minds, he said it had a strong influence since they believed everything they saw there and thought it was right.

## 13. Prepositions and Articles

Q1)

- a) an                      b) X                      c) X                      d) the                      e) X, an  
 f) an, the                      g) an                      h) The                      i) X

Q2) A.

- a) through/ into                      b) among/of                      c) from                      d) by  
 e) to                      f) against                      g) for                      h) between  
 i) with                      j) of

Q2) B.

To, by, among, from, about, With, for, in

Q3) A.

Jack is sleeping on the bed.

Jack is hiding behind the chair.

Jack is hiding inside the cupboard.

Jack is sitting next to the pillow.

Jack is standing beside the sofa.

Jack just jumped over the box.

Could Jack be inside the vase?

Q3) B. (Answer may vary)

Dear Sheela,

Hi! How are you? I am so excited about you coming to my house for Diwali holidays. As you know, no one will be able to come and pick you up from the station since papa has an important meeting and mummy has a doctor's appointment that she can't miss. Since this is the first time you are coming here, I am writing detailed instructions on how to reach my house from the railway station.

You have to get off at Andheri station. From the platform, you have to reach west; so you take the overhead bridge to reach platform number 1. Outside that platform, is the exit of the station. Once outside, you will see a lot of autos. Just ask one of them to take you to the church at Four Bungalows. Once you reach the church, on your left hand side you will see a lane. Enter the lane and my building is the last one on the right hand side.

I wish you a safe journey and look forward to seeing you soon.

Love,

(Student's name)

## 14. Conjunctions and Question Tags

Q1)

- |                 |              |            |
|-----------------|--------------|------------|
| a) aren't they? | b) shall we? | c) have I? |
| d) aren't I?    | e) will you? |            |

Q2) A.

Mice live in our walls but do not trouble our kitchen. We are pleased but cannot understand why they do not come into our kitchen where we have traps set, as they come into the kitchens of our neighbours. Although we are pleased, we are also upset, because the mice behave as though there was something wrong with our kitchen. What makes this even more puzzling is that our house is much less tidy than the houses of our neighbours. There is more food lying about in our kitchen, more crumbs on the counters and filthy scraps of onion kicked against the base of the cabinets. In fact, there is so much loose food in the kitchen that I can only think the mice themselves are defeated by it. In a tidy kitchen, it is a challenge for them to find enough food night after night to survive until spring. They patiently hunt and nibble hour after hour until they are satisfied. In our kitchen, however, they are faced with something so out of proportion to their experience that they cannot deal with it.

Q2) B.

- She already ate her dinner yet she is hungry.
- Although I have never run the marathon before, I could manage it easily.
- While everyone was watching T.V., the thief stole all the valuables from the house.
- You will have to return to the hostel by 9 pm otherwise the gates will be shut.

Q3) (Answer may vary)

You: But I don't understand what has changed Father, do you?

Father: I think there is no simple answer, is there? There are many factors that have caused the city to change. Earlier, no one would be out of the house after 7 pm and definitely women did not travel alone.

You: Also, there was less interaction between men and women but now everything is changing. Schools are co-ed; men and women work in the same office and have increased interaction. There is a lot of media exposure but I am not sure if it is always positive. I am right mother, aren't I?

## 15. Common Errors

- 1) Incorrect: It's airy. I can't hold my umbrella still.  
Correct: It's windy. I can't hold my umbrella still.  
Mistake: The correct word according to the sentence is 'windy'. 'Airy' means 'well-ventilated' or 'casual', whereas 'windy' means 'characterised by wind'.
- 2) Incorrect: Please come in and have a sit.  
Correct: Please come in and have a seat.  
Mistake: The verb 'sit' is incorrectly used in place of the noun 'seat'.
- 3) Incorrect: He lives in a boarding.  
Correct: He lives in a boarding house/school.  
Mistake: The complete word should be 'boarding house/school'.
- 4) Incorrect: I travel in train generally.  
Correct: I travel by train generally.  
Mistake: Incorrect preposition used. 'By' expresses 'means'; 'Train' is a means of transport and hence we must not use 'in'.
- 5) Incorrect: I won't talk to him, unless he doesn't call me.  
Correct: I won't talk to him, unless he calls me.  
Mistake: Incorrect use of the conjunction 'unless'. Unless means 'if not' and hence 'don't' (another negative word) should not be used as it conveys the same meaning.
- 6) Incorrect: The teacher asked to me a question.  
Correct: The teacher asked me a question.  
Mistake: Incorrect use of the preposition 'to'.
- 7) Incorrect: My friend didn't came to school yesterday.  
Correct: My friend didn't come to school yesterday.  
Mistake: Incorrect use of past form of the verb 'come' with 'did'.
- 8) Incorrect: My mother looked me with pride.  
Correct: My mother looked at me with pride.  
Mistake: The preposition 'at' is missing.

- 9) Incorrect: She did the same mistake twice.  
Correct: She made the same mistake twice.  
Mistake: Incorrect word choice
- 10) Incorrect: We won the match by fourty runs.  
Correct: We won the match by forty runs.  
Mistake: The spelling of 'forty' is incorrect.
- 11) Incorrect: One shouldn't carry heavy luggages while travelling.  
Correct: One shouldn't carry heavy luggage while travelling.  
Mistake: The word luggage stands for its singular as well as the plural form.
- 12) Incorrect: Your hand is fractured. How will you write but?  
Correct: Your hand is fractured. How will you write?  
Mistake: Sentences and questions should not end with a conjunction.
- 13) Incorrect: Why you were absent yesterday?  
Correct: Why were you absent yesterday?  
Mistake: In questions, the auxiliary verb comes before the subject.
- 14) Incorrect: Thanx for the gift.  
Correct: Thanks for the gift.  
Mistake: The correct spelling is 'thanks'.
- 15) Incorrect: In my opinion I think it will rain.  
Correct: In my opinion it will rain. / I think it will rain.  
Mistake: 'In my opinion' and 'I think' convey the same meaning.
- 16) Incorrect: I felt very better after having some chicken soup.  
Correct: I felt much better after having some chicken soup.  
Mistake: Incorrect use of 'very' with 'better'.
- 17) Incorrect: Have you ever wrote a poem?  
Correct: Have you ever written a poem?  
Mistake: Past participle 'written' must be used with 'have'.
- 18) Incorrect: A weak had passed and there was no response.  
Correct: A week had passed and there was no response.  
Mistake: The word 'weak' is used in place of 'week'.

- 19) Incorrect: The flowers of this plant has big petals.  
Correct: The flowers of this plant have big petals.  
Mistake: The subject is 'flowers' and hence the verb must be 'have'.
- 20) Incorrect: I'm taller then my brother.  
Correct: I'm taller than my brother.  
Mistake: 'Than' should be used for comparison.
- 21) Incorrect: Each students must carry a lunch-box.  
Correct: Each student must carry a lunch-box.  
Mistake: Singular noun 'student' must be used with 'each'.
- 22) Incorrect: The man in the suit is a NRI.  
Correct: The man in the suit is an NRI.  
Mistake: The article 'an' must be used for the vowel sound of 'N'.
- 23) Incorrect: He informed to me about his grandmother's death.  
Correct: He informed me about his grandmother's death.  
Mistake: Inappropriate use of preposition 'to' with verb 'inform'.
- 24) Incorrect: I have a lots of friends.  
Correct: I have a lot of friends. / I have lots of friends.  
Mistake: Incorrect use of 'a' with 'lots'.
- 25) Incorrect: Neeta couldn't find her puppy any where.  
Correct: Neeta couldn't find her puppy anywhere.  
Mistake: 'Anywhere' should be written as a single word.
- 26) Incorrect: I used to went to the circus until I was nine.  
Correct: I used to go to the circus until I was nine.  
Mistake: Incorrect use of the past form of 'go' with 'used to'.
- 27) Incorrect: The stars and the moon looks beautiful in the sky.  
Correct: The stars and the moon look beautiful in the sky.  
Mistake: The subject and the verb do not agree with each other.
- 28) Incorrect: We saw many deers at the zoo.  
Correct: We saw many deer at the zoo.  
Mistake: The plural of deer is 'deer'.

- 29) Incorrect: She would'nt find the gift so soon.  
Correct: She wouldn't find the gift so soon.  
Mistake: Misplaced apostrophe in 'wouldn't'.
- 30) Incorrect: I have three miss calls from the same number.  
Correct: I have three missed calls from the same number.  
Mistake: 'Missed call' is the correct word.
- 31) Incorrect: The juice spilled overall my papers.  
Correct: The juice spilled over all my papers.  
Mistake: 'Overall' means 'in general'. The correct word should be 'over all'.
- 32) Incorrect: What happy you look today!  
Correct: How happy you look today!  
Mistake: The correct word according to the context should be 'how'.
- 33) Incorrect: I lost a teeth yesterday.  
Correct: I lost a tooth yesterday.  
Mistake: 'Teeth' is the plural form of 'tooth'.
- 34) Incorrect: A large amount of people had attended the wedding.  
Correct: A large number of people had attended the wedding.  
Mistake: 'Amount of' is used with uncountable nouns. Use 'number of' for the countable noun 'people'.
- 35) Incorrect: Why don't you get head massage at my parlour?  
Correct: Why don't you get a head massage at my parlour?  
Mistake: The article 'a/an' must be used for countable nouns when introducing them for the first time in a sentence.
- 36) Incorrect: I will invite them when they will return from their trip.  
Correct: I will invite them when they return from their trip.  
Mistake: Incorrect sentence structure. When two events of future (that are dependent) are discussed, one of them should be in simple future tense, while the other should be in simple present tense.
- 37) Incorrect: I don't think its a great idea.  
Correct: I don't think it's a great idea.  
Mistake: In this sentence 'it's' should be used as the contraction of 'it is'.

- 38) Incorrect: The tree what I had planted, grew taller than me.  
Correct: The tree that I had planted, grew taller than me.  
Mistake: Incorrect use of 'what' instead of the conjunction 'that'.
- 39) Incorrect: Are you of St. Clare's School?  
Correct: Are you from St. Clare's School?  
Mistake: Incorrect preposition 'of' used in place of 'from'.
- 40) Incorrect: The runner-ups were given a certificate.  
Correct: The runners-up were given a certificate.  
Mistake: The plural form of 'runner-up' is 'runners up'.
- 41) Incorrect: Will you say me what's wrong?  
Correct: Will you tell me what's wrong?  
Mistake: 'Tell' must be used instead of 'say' according to the context because you 'say something in general' but you 'tell someone when you report something specific'.
- 42) Incorrect: Don't do noise. The baby is asleep.  
Correct: Don't make noise. The baby is asleep.  
Mistake: Incorrect word choice. Use 'make' with 'noise'.
- 43) Incorrect: The teacher gave us many advices before the exam.  
Correct: The teacher gave us some advice before the exam.  
Mistake: Advice is an uncountable noun. It does not have a plural form. The determiner many is only used with plural countable nouns.
- 44) Incorrect: Have they being informed?  
Correct: Have they been informed?  
Mistake: 'Been' must be used in place of 'being' with have.
- 45) Incorrect: I used to the traffic in Mumbai.  
Correct: I am used to the traffic in Mumbai.  
Mistake: Incorrect choice of word. 'Am used to' is used to show that one is accustomed to something.
- 46) Incorrect: She asked which is your favourite car  
Correct: She asked, "Which is your favourite car?"  
Mistake: Punctuation marks are missing.

- 47) Incorrect: I asked for his book, but he didn't give me.  
Correct: I asked for his book, but he didn't give it to me.  
Mistake: Incorrect sentence structure.
- 48) Incorrect: I waited for your call since two days.  
Correct: I waited for your call for two days.  
Mistake: Incorrect use of 'since' instead of 'for'. 'Since' expresses 'point of time' and 'for' expresses the entire 'duration'.
- 49) Incorrect: Much topics were discussed in the class today.  
Correct: Many topics were discussed in the class today.  
Mistake: Incorrect use of 'much' instead of 'many' for the countable noun 'topics'.
- 50) Incorrect: The queen lived in palace.  
Correct: The queen lived in a palace.  
Mistake: The article 'a' is missing.



# Answer Key



## Practice Questions

### 1. Parts of Speech - Review

#### Exercise 1:

- a) Reema - Noun, First - Adjective, in - preposition
- b) neighbours - Noun, rich - Adjective
- c) fast - adverb
- d) Ram - Noun, and - Conjunction, are - Verb
- e) stay - verb, with - Preposition, grandparents - Noun
- f) Alas! - Interjection, of - preposition
- g) She - pronoun, Paris - Noun
- h) Working - verb
- i) And - Conjunction, shopping - Noun
- j) I - Pronoun, Buying - verb
- k) Very - adverb, hard - Adverb
- l) We - Pronoun, serious - adjective, now - adverb
- m) Hard - adverb
- n) She - pronoun, soon - adverb

### 2. Phrase and Clause

#### Exercise 1:

Phrase: a, e, f, g, i

Clause: b, c, d, h, j

## Exercise 2:

	Phrase	Clause
a)	a few more fine horses	Bring me
b)	to the emperor, the next day	Birbal handed over the list
c)	During the gulf-war	many sea-birds died
d)	to a person	She was talking, who was her teacher
e)	during the holidays	I visited Germany
f)	over the bridge	The train moved unsteadily
g)	an interesting story	Ramesh told us
h)	in the afternoon	We went to watch a film
i)	around the Sun	The Earth revolves

### 3. Indefinite and Continuous Tenses

## Exercise 1:

a)	Saw - Past Indefinite	b)	Finds - Present Indefinite
c)	Is riding - Present Continuous	d)	Will be visiting - Future Continuous
e)	Was - Past Indefinite	f)	Are doing - Present Continuous
g)	Did finish - Past Indefinite	h)	Am baking - Present Continuous
i)	Was playing - Past Continuous	j)	Will be taking - Future Continuous

## Exercise 2:

- a) My friend doesn't play with me.  
Does my friend play with me?
- b) The train does not leave at six in the morning.  
Does the train leave at six in the morning?
- c) Vikram is not dancing.  
Is Vikram dancing?
- d) I am not going to school.  
Am I going to school?
- e) You were not having a party with your friends.  
Were you having a party with your friends?
- f) My brother is not riding a bike.  
Is my brother riding a bike?
- g) They will not be shifting to Mumbai soon.  
Will they be shifting to Mumbai soon?

- h) I did not go to meet Ravi.  
Did I go to meet Ravi?
- i) I did not drink three bottles of juice.  
Did I drink three bottles of juice?

**Exercise 3:**

- a) The police catches the burglar.
- b) He could not solve the puzzle.
- c) It will blow hard outside.
- d) The scenery is wonderful.
- e) Trees will be growing in orchards.
- f) He is driving carefully.
- g) We were waiting for our friends.
- h) He was doing his job well.

**4. Perfect and Perfect Continuous tenses****Exercise 1:**

- a) had finished - Present Perfect, came - Simple Past
- b) have been living - Present Perfect Continuous
- c) came - Simple Past, had left - Past perfect
- d) has been doing - Present Perfect Continuous
- e) has not been - Present Perfect
- f) had been living - Past perfect continuous, shifted - Past Simple
- g) had ordered - Past Perfect, came - Past Simple
- h) will have been learning - Future Perfect continuous
- i) will have saved - Future Perfect
- j) had booked - Past Perfect

**Exercise 2:**

- a) My friend has not played with me for three hours.  
Has my friend played with me for three hours?
- b) The train has not left on time.  
Has the train left on time?
- c) Vilas has not been learning contemporary dance since his childhood.  
Has Vilas been learning contemporary dance since his childhood?
- d) I had not baked the cake before she came in.  
Had I baked the cake before she came in?

- e) We have not reached the school.  
Have we reached the school?
- f) I have not eaten food.  
Have I eaten food?
- g) They have not been living in Chennai for a decade now.  
Have they been living in Chennai for a decade now?
- h) I had not taken a bath before I took breakfast.  
Had I taken a bath before I took breakfast?
- i) I shall not have completed all the levels of the game by now.  
Shall I have completed all the levels of the game by now?
- j) Next year, he will not have completed his studies.  
Will he have completed his studies, by next year?

## 5. Tenses - Review

### Exercise 1:

- a) Is ringing - Present Continuous
- b) Were doing - Past Continuous, came - Simple Past
- c) Is dancing - Present Continuous
- d) Had seen - Past perfect
- e) Will watch - Simple Future
- f) Will have left - Future Perfect
- g) Do, like - Present Indefinite/Simple
- h) Did not know - Past Indefinite/Simple
- i) Had begun - Past Perfect
- j) Have finished - Present Perfect

### Exercise 2:

- |                       |                         |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| a) left               | b) was shining          |
| c) have done/had done | d) bought               |
| e) will decorate      | f) invites              |
| g) finished           | h) started, had arrived |
| i) digest             | j) has happened         |
| k) wanted             | l) is eating            |
| m) stole              | n) is scribbling        |
| o) solved             |                         |

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## 6. Active and Passive Voice

### Exercise 1:

- a) My breakfast is prepared by me.
- b) A long story is narrated by her grandmother every night.
- c) A poem is being recited by him tomorrow.
- d) I am adored by my parents.
- e) The flowers have been plucked by the little girl from the garden.
- f) A cake is being baked by Radha for her son.
- g) The book will be read by you.
- h) Let the letter be posted.

### Exercise 2:

- a) Vasudha is knocking at the door.
- b) Our school was taking us to Fun World.
- c) He saw the film.
- d) What are they doing?
- e) Sita is bringing a watch for her brother.
- f) Somebody has stolen my storybook.

## 7. Subject Verb Agreement, Transitive and Intransitive verbs

### Exercise 1:

Transitive - rang, fought, spoke, struck, took, search

Intransitive - singing, feel, going, rested, sailed

### Exercise 2:

a) Are	b) Keeps	c) Am	d) Work
e) Has	f) Have	g) Are	h) Is
i) Goes	j) Cries	k) Is	l) Has
m) Is	n) Does, like	o) Are, have	

### Exercise 3:

- a) Talk - She talks to her friend.; She is talking loudly.
- b) Write - She wrote a letter.; She is writing neatly.
- c) Dance - She danced on some old songs.; She is dancing beautifully.

## 8. Use of Modal Auxiliaries

### Exercise 1:

- |    |                          |    |                        |
|----|--------------------------|----|------------------------|
| a) | Ability                  | b) | Formal permission      |
| c) | Possibility              | d) | Wish                   |
| e) | Ability in past          | f) | Weak possibility       |
| g) | Certain action in future | h) | Certain action/command |
| i) | Promise/willingness      | j) | Necessity/Obligation   |

### Exercise 2:

- |    |        |    |       |    |       |    |            |
|----|--------|----|-------|----|-------|----|------------|
| a) | would  | b) | used  | c) | would | d) | will/could |
| e) | might  | f) | could | g) | can   | h) | could      |
| i) | should | j) | would | k) | may   | l) | might      |
| m) | might  |    |       |    |       |    |            |

## 9. Types Of Pronouns

### Exercise 1:

- Yours, mine - Possessive
- That - Demonstrative
- Who - Interrogative
- This - Demonstrative, Who - Relative
- This - Demonstrative, That - Relative
- Either - Distributive
- Many, Few - Indefinite
- All - Indefinite
- Itself - Reflexive
- Ourselves - Reflexive
- Hers - Possessive

### Exercise 2:

- We got into the bus which was full of passengers.
- I saw a juggler who was showing his tricks.
- Here is the book that you lost yesterday.
- I loved my brother who is dead.
- This is the man whom we saw yesterday.

## 10. Types of Adjectives and Degrees of Comparison

### Exercise 1:

- a) Chronic, high - Adjective of Quality, nerve and brain - Adjective of Quality
- b) last - Superlative Degree, Fifty - Adjective of Number, this - Demonstrative Adjective
- c) golden orange - Adjective of Quality, your - Possessive
- d) this - Demonstrative Adjective, many - Indefinite, religious - Adjective of Quality
- e) Each - Distributive
- f) greatest - Superlative Degree, his - Possessive
- g) Many - Indefinite, straight - Adjective of Quality
- h) Whose - interrogative

### Exercise 2:

- |              |                  |               |
|--------------|------------------|---------------|
| a) Unfair    | b) Undisciplined | c) Impolite   |
| d) Irregular | e) Dishonest     | f) Incomplete |
| g) Improper  | h) Disrespect    |               |

### Exercise 3:

- |               |              |                    |
|---------------|--------------|--------------------|
| a) Courageous | b) Religious | c) Dirty           |
| d) Hairy      | e) Memorable | f) Herbal, healthy |

### Exercise 4:

- |               |                |           |
|---------------|----------------|-----------|
| a) little     | b) A little    | c) Few    |
| d) The little | e) many, a few | f) little |

### Exercise 5:

- |                    |            |             |
|--------------------|------------|-------------|
| a) Better          | b) Quicker | c) Costlier |
| d) Good, healthier | e) Biggest | f) Noblest  |
| g) Oldest          | h) Older   | i) Cheaper  |
| j) More spacious   |            |             |

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## 11. Adverbs – Time, Place, Manner, Degree and Frequency

### Exercise 1:

- a) Today - Adverb of Time
- b) Late - Adverb of Time
- c) Seriously - Adverb of Manner
- d) Beautifully - Adverb of Manner
- e) Upstairs - Adverb of Place
- f) Almost - Adverb of Degree
- g) Weekly - Adverb of Frequency
- h) Early - Adverb of Time
- i) Courageously - Adverb of Manner
- j) Neatly - Adverb of Manner

### Exercise 2:

- |                    |               |           |
|--------------------|---------------|-----------|
| a) once            | b) frequently | c) very   |
| d) certainly       | e) usually    | f) always |
| g) tightly         | h) loudly     | i) twice  |
| j) certainly/fully | k) completely | l) almost |

## 12. Direct and Indirect Speech

### Exercise 1:

- a) Mansi said that she was hungry.
- b) Rohan says that he is going to the cinema.
- c) The policeman asked him what his name was.
- d) Miss Neeta told me that the principal was looking for me.
- e) Mr. Dinesh told/commanded his son to do his homework.
- f) The policeman asks him where he is going.
- g) The customer complained that the eggs were not fresh.
- h) My father said that he might be late for the dinner.
- i) My grandfather told me that he could not see clearly anymore.

### Exercise 2:

- a) Sanika said to me, "Happy new year."
- b) The teacher said, "The earth revolves around the sun."
- c) I said to Jigar, "He may go now."
- d) I said, "When did you return from the office?"
- e) He said, "Please explain the question to me properly."

## 13. Prepositions & Articles

### Exercise 1:

- |         |       |         |       |
|---------|-------|---------|-------|
| a) for  | b) of | c) at   | d) at |
| e) into | f) of | g) from | h) to |
| i) of   | j) to | k) from | l) of |

### Exercise 2:

- |         |        |             |                |
|---------|--------|-------------|----------------|
| a) the  | b) the | c) a        | d) x           |
| e) an   | f) The | g) The, the | h) a           |
| i) x, x | j) a   | k) x, x     | l) a, the, the |
| m) x    |        |             |                |

## 14. Conjunctions and Question Tags

### Exercise 1:

- a) We have never been to London, have we?
- b) It isn't easy to learn Chinese, is it?
- c) Harsh didn't tell you about the class, did he?
- d) Don't forget to get the file, will you?
- e) You should study well, shouldn't you?
- f) Let us plan a picnic, shall we?
- g) I don't owe you any money, do I?
- h) I am a great fan of Ruskin Bond, aren't I?
- i) She won't recognize me, will she?
- j) He wanted to learn music, didn't he?

### Exercise 2:

- |               |                 |               |
|---------------|-----------------|---------------|
| a) and        | b) which        | c) where      |
| d) Either, or | e) Neither, nor | f) when       |
| g) As/when    | h) that         | i) whether/if |
| j) If         |                 |               |

### Exercise 3:

- a) Mrs. Seema is neither polite nor kind.
- b) Richa is not only very polite but also soft spoken. / Not only is Richa very polite but she is also soft spoken.
- c) Either Yogita or Raj is joining the office.
- d) They do not know whether they are going to Mussoorie or Nainital.
- e) We have both snacks and main meals.

## 15. Common Errors

### Exercise 1:

- 1) Where is the restaurant?
- 2) Who won the first prize?
- 3) Where will they organize the function?
- 4) Whose car is it?
- 5) How many cards do you have?
- 6) Which is your favourite game?
- 7) How much money do you need from me?
- 8) When do you watch cartoon? / What do you do when you are free?
- 9) How is your finger now?
- 10) Who will collect your result?

### Exercise 2:

- 1) Laugh, arrive, sleep, beauty. (All the other words are action words - verbs)
- 2) Children, boxes, tiger, watches. (All the other words are plurals)
- 3) Wow, oh, sorry, alas. (All the other words are interjections)
- 4) Gave, receive, took, brought. (All the other words are in their past forms)
- 5) Quickly, slowly, smartly, silly. (All the other words are adverbs)
- 6) The, an, and, a. (All the other words are articles)
- 7) Bunch, flock, cluster, rock. (All the other words are collective nouns)
- 8) Smell, fragrance, aroma, sweet. (All the other words are synonyms)
- 9) Intelligent, colourful, smite, angry. (All the other words are adjectives)
- 10) Better, more, nice, worse. (All the other words are comparative degree adjectives)

### Exercise 3:

- 1) My brother plays international cricket.
- 2) He faced many hardships of life.
- 3) The anti-biotics were very effective.
- 4) Earthworms are harmless creatures.
- 5) It was very irresponsible of you.
- 6) You should never misbehave with your elders.
- 7) The sweetness of honey was all I could taste.
- 8) The village looked peaceful.
- 9) The water was impure.
- 10) I unwrapped all my gifts as soon as the guests left.

## Exercise 4:

I love to visit my grandparents. They live in Nagpur. I often visit them during my summer vacation.

Their house is very big and it has a beautiful backyard. We like to have our evening tea in it. I have also built a tree-house for myself in the backyard.

My grandmother is a great cook. She bakes delicious cakes for me. My grandfather and I go for evening walks. I always enjoy my stay at my grandparent's house.

## Exercise 5:



