

Editing and Omission

Question 1.

In the given paragraph, one word has been omitted in each line. Write the missing word along with the word that comes before the word and the word that comes after it in the space provided as shown.

Tears are produced tear glands which keep the eye	e.g.	produced by tear
moist and are normally drained the	(a)	
nose. Onions a number of water-soluble volatile	(b)	
substances containing sulphur, cutting the onion	(c)	
these spread the air and cause irritation in the eyes.	(d)	
The tear glands start secreting more and more tears wash out the irritants.	(e)	
The tears are produced fast that they cannot be drained out	(f)	
through nose and so run	(g)	
down the eyes thus making cry.	(h)	

Question 2.

There is an error in each of the following lines. Write the incorrect word and the correct word in the given space. The first one has been done as an example:

Intelligence is praised to one and all.
We say that intelligence means
being able to solve problems. Some animal
seem abled to do this. For ex. cats often
find her way home from long distances.
To do this they had to remember and think.
Young birds are also able to made long
journeys. They are borne with this ability.
This is not intelligence. We call these instinct.

Incorrect – Correct
to – by

- (a) –
(b) –
(c) –
(d) –
(e) –
(f) –



- (g) -
(h) -

Answer:

Incorrect – Correction

- (a) mean – means
(b) animal – animals
(c) abled – able
(d) her – their
(e) had – have
(f) made – make
(g) borne – born
(h) these – this

Question 3.

The following passage has not been edited. There is an error in each line. Write the incorrect word and the correction in the blank spaces. The first one has been done as an example. [NCT 2019, 2016]

The next day during an break
when all the teacher and students
was eating their snacks, the mother
left the school building hurriedly.
The boy saw him walking
quickly from of the school gate
when he was drank water after
his meal and wonder where
his mother is going.

Incorrect – Correct

an – the

- (a) -
(b) -
(c) -
(d) -
(e) -
(f) -
(g) -
(h) -

Answer:

Incorrect – Correct

- (a) teacher – teachers
- (b) was – were
- (c) hurriedly – hurriedly
- (d) him – her
- (e) from – out
- (f) drank – drinking
- (g) wonder – wondered
- (h) is – was

Question 4.

The following passage has not been edited. There is an error in the underlined words. Correct the word and write in the space provided:

Although, their is no direct evidence that salt is a cause of highly blood pressure that reducing salt intake lower blood pressure. Some scientist are also concern that excessive use of salt may caused asthma and kidney disease. Asthma should not be deal with lightly.

Incorrect – Correct

- (a) –
- (b) –
- (c) –
- (d) –
- (e) –
- (f) –
- (g) –
- (h) –

Answer:

- (a) there
- (b) high
- (c) are
- (d) lowers
- (e) scientists



- (f) concerned
- (g) cause
- (h) dealt

Question 5.

The following passage has not been edited. There is one error in each line. Write the incorrect word and the correction in your answer sheet as given below against the correct blank number. [NCT 2012]

Mamta lost her father when she is still a child. Her uncle looked at all the property that she inherits from her father.

Since a few years her uncle worked very sincerely. Afterwards he thinks, "This property should make me rich. How long should I keep serving my niece?

I must do anything.

Incorrect – Correct

- (a) –
- (b) –
- (c) –
- (d) –
- (e) –
- (f) –
- (g) –
- (h) –

Answer:

Incorrect – Correction

- (a) is – was
- (b) at – after
- (c) inherit – had inherited
- (d) since – For
- (e) thinks – thought
- (f) should – can
- (g) kept – keep
- (h) anything – something

Question 6.

The following passage has not been edited. There is an error in each line. Underline the error and write the correct word in front of it in your answer sheet.

It has been said that anyone lives by
sell something or the other. In the light of
this statement, teachers live off selling
knowledge, philosophers by selling wise
and priests by selling spiritual comforts.
It is extreme difficult to estimate the
true value for the service which people perform to us.

Incorrect – Correct

- (a) –
- (b) –
- (c) –
- (d) –
- (e) –
- (f) –
- (g) –
- (h) –

Answer:

Incorrect – Correction

- (a) anyone – everyone
- (b) sell – selling
- (c) off – by
- (d) wise – wisdom
- (e) comforts – comfort
- (f) extreme – extremely
- (g) for – of
- (h) to – for

Question 7.

The following passage has not been edited. There is one error in each line. Underline the error and write the correct word in front of it in your answer sheet. The first one has been done for you as an example [NCT 2010]

The next day during a break
when all the teacher and students

was eating their snacks, the mother
left the school building hurriedly.
The boy saw him walking
quickly from of the school gate.
He was drinking water after
his meal and wondered where
his mother was going.

Incorrect – Correct

- (a) –
- (b) –
- (c) –
- (d) –
- (e) –
- (f) –
- (g) –
- (h) –

Answer:

Incorrect – Correction

- (a) Teacher – teachers
- (b) was – were
- (c) hurriedly – hurriedly
- (d) him – her
- (e) from – out
- (f) drank – drinking

Question 8.

A passage has been given below. It has not been edited properly. Underline the error and write the correction in the space provided. One has been done as an example.

My father become the Chief Secretary of Tamil Nadu e.g. become became
op 1962. Soon after, he told my cousin and me,
whenever we accompanied him to any functions,
we were to sit on the car on either side of him
and gave him a nudge if we saw a policeman
salute him which he was preoccupied studying
his notes. He said so that he was concerned
of the policeman standing in the hot sun.



He felt that he would return their greetings
when they took the trouble of saluting him.

Incorrect – Correct
become – became

- (a) –
- (b) –
- (c) –
- (d) –
- (e) –
- (f) –
- (g) –
- (h) –

Answer:
Incorrect – Correction

- (a) On – in
- (b) functions – function
- (c) on – in
- (d) gave – give
- (e) which – while
- (f) that – because
- (g) of – for
- (h) would – should

Question 9.

The following passage has not been edited. There is one error in each line. Write the incorrect word and the correction in your answer sheet.

It takes a long time for a country to rebuild after
an earthquake. There must be aftershocks for days
or weeks. Rebuilt cannot start until all the
aftershocks have stopped. Aftershocks are small
tremors when shaking the ground after an earthquake.
When rebuilding starts, new buildings may be very
carefully planned. Sometimes they are built on huge
blocks of rubber that will absorb no further earthquake.

Incorrect – Correct



- (a) –
- (b) –
- (c) –
- (d) –
- (e) –
- (f) –
- (g) –
- (h) –

Answer:

Incorrect – Correction

- (a) take – takes
- (b) must – may
- (c) rebuilt – rebuilding
- (d) stop – stopped
- (e) when – which
- (f) may – must
- (g) build – built
- (h) no – any

Question 10.

The following passage has not been edited. There is one error in each line. Underline the error and write the correct word in front of it in your answer sheet. The first one has been done for you as an example.

The camel is the oldest of domestic animals. It has been used since thousands of years by the desert people to supply many of their needs. Camels pulled ploughs and carry well to market. In the desert, they are almost the only means of transport. This animal can adapt to life in drylands and is often calling the ship of the desert, it could survive on dry leaves, seeds, and bones.

Incorrect – Correct

- (a) –
- (b) –
- (c) –

- (d) -
- (e) -
- (f) -
- (g) -
- (h) -

Answer:

Incorrect – Correction

- (a) since – for
- (b) year – years
- (c) pulled – pull
- (d) good – goods
- (e) an – the
- (f) with – to
- (g) calling – called
- (h) could – can

Question 11.

The following passage has not been edited. There is an error in each line. Write the incorrect word and the correction in your answer sheet. The first one has been done as an example.

Traders of nearly 2,250 roads and streets across Delhi got the respite from sealing and demolition of the Municipal Corporation of Delhi following a Supreme Courts order in September 29 allowing continuation of commercial activities on residential areas, pending the final decision in the matter. But the MCD's sealing drive has already claimed four lives.

Incorrect – Correct
of – on

- (a) -
- (b) -
- (c) -
- (d) -
- (e) -

- (f) –
 (g) –
 (h) –

Answer:

Incorrect – Correction

- (a) the – a
 (b) of – by
 (c) a – the
 (d) in – of
 (e) on – in
 (f) the – a
 (g) in – on
 (h) has – had

Question 12.

The following passage has not been edited. There is one error in each line. Underline the error and write the correct word in front of it in your answer sheet. The first one has been done for you as an example.

Kut was an hardworking
 squirrel. She lived on a tree-hole.
 she was over the impression that
 she has enough food in store for the
 bad days until she find that
 someone had been stealing his nuts.
 She goes to the old owl to
 find a solution to her problem.
 The old owl listen to her problem patiently.

Incorrect – Correct

an – a

- (a) –
 (b) –
 (c) –
 (d) –
 (e) –
 (f) –
 (g) –
 (h) –



Answer:

Incorrect – Correction

- (a) on – in
- (b) over – under
- (c) has – had
- (d) find – found
- (e) his – her
- (f) go – went
- (g) an – a
- (h) listen – listened

Question 13.

In the following passage, one word has been omitted in each line. Write the missing word along with the word that comes before and after it.

Since the magpie bird was most
intelligent and clever birds at
building nests, all the birds the
Air kingdom came her and
asked her to teach how to build
their nests. So she all the
birds to gather her and began
to show them to go about it.

Before – Word – After

- (a) – –
- (b) – –
- (c) – –
- (d) – –
- (e) – –
- (f) – –
- (g) – –
- (h) – –

Answer:

Before – Word – After

- (a) was – the – most
- (b) clever – of – birds
- (c) birds – of – the



- (d) came – to – her
- (e) teach – them – how
- (f) she – asked – all
- (g) gather – around – her
- (h) them – how – to

Question 14.

In the following passage, one word has been omitted in each line. Write the missing word along with the word that comes before and the word that comes after it in your answer sheet against the correct blank number. Ensure that the word that forms your answer is underlined. [NCT 2015]

The moment he switched the eg.
television there silence in
the room, we all looked each
other not knowing to react.
He burst out laughing said,
"How you like it?" We felt too
scared open our mouths.

e.g.

Before – Word – After
Switched – off – the

- (a) – –
- (b) – –
- (c) – –
- (d) – –
- (e) – –
- (f) – –

Answer:

Before – Word – After

- (a) there – was – a
- (b) looked – at – each
- (c) knowing – how – to
- (d) laughing – and – said
- (e) how – do – you
- (f) scared – to – open



Question 15.

In the passage given below, one word has been omitted in each line. Write the missing word in the space provided. The first one has been as an example.

On the banks of Ganga, where
it emerges of the Himalayan foot-hills,
there is long stretches forest. There are
villages the fringe of the forest inhabited
by bamboo cutters and farmers. This area an
ideal hunting ground and animals
are not numerous as they used to be.
The trees, too, have disappearing slowly
, and as the recedes the animals lose
their food and shelter.

e g.

Before – Word – After
of the Ganga

- (a) – –
- (b) – –
- (c) – –
- (d) – –
- (e) – –
- (f) – –

Answer:

Before – Word – After

- (a) emerges – from/ out – of
- (b) stretches – of – forest
- (c) villages – on – the
- (d) area – is – an
- (e) and – wild – animals
- (f) not – as – numerous
- (g) have – been – disappearing
- (h) the – forest – recedes

Question 16.

The following passage has not been edited. There is one word missing in each line. Find the places of omission and write the missing words for each line.

Seeing the man, I instantly got my feet ready for anything. He was trying to the handle of the door. He had a strap his neck and carried trayful of toothpowders and tablets, selling a penny or two a phial. I stood to the door, barring his further entry.

Before – Word – After

- (a) – –
- (b) – –
- (c) – –
- (d) – –
- (e) – –
- (f) – –

Answer:

Before – Word – After

- (a) got – on – my
- (b) to – turn – the
- (c) strap – around his
- (d) carried – a – trayful
- (e) selling – for – a
- (f) stood – close – to

Question 17.

One word is omitted in each line in the following passage. Write the missing word along with the word coming before it and the word coming after it. The first one is done as an example:

I never forget one of my childhood experiences. I was trying climb a tree when my foot slipped and fell and fainted. My friends thought I dead. They all left me and ran. When I regained consciousness I found not move part of my body. I had a terrible pain in back and legs. I not know what to do.

Before – Word – After

I – can – never

- (a) – –
- (b) – –
- (c) – –
- (d) – –
- (e) – –
- (f) – –
- (g) – –
- (h) – –

Answer:

Before – Word – After

- (a) trying – To – climb
- (b) and – I – fell
- (c) I – Was – dead
- (d) ran – away – When
- (e) found – That – I
- (f) move – any – part
- (g) in – My – back
- (h) I – did – not

Question 18.

One word is omitted in each line in the following passage. Write the missing word along with the word coming before it and the word coming after it. The first one has been done as an example.

The old owl said, "It is someone your neighbours." Kutkut with surprise, "How you be so sure?" The old owl looking thick glasses replied, "That is, thief knows the exact time when you not at home. As if he watches you nearby. He then told a plan to catch the thief." morning, Kutkut told all her neighbours that she kept sweets inside and kept a vigil for the thief.

Before – Word – After

someone – amongst – your

- (a) – –
- (b) – –
- (c) – –
- (d) – –
- (e) – –
- (f) – –
- (g) – –
- (h) – –

Answer:

Before – Word – After

- (a) Kutkut – asked – with
- (b) How – can – you
- (c) Looking – through – thick
- (d) is – the – thief
- (e) you – are – not
- (f) you – from – nearby
- (g) thief – Next – morning
- (h) she – had – kept

Question 19.

In the passage given below, one word has been omitted in each line. Write the missing word along with the word that comes before and after the word. The first one has been done as an example.

Ten months I decided to leave
 my native country and went the
 USA. When reached there
 I suddenly found labelled
 as a foreign student. Gradually
 I discovered a foreign student
 had problems whether he was Japan
 like me or from other country. A
 foreign student had to work twice
 as hard an American to succeed in college.

e.g.

Before – Word – After
 months – ago – I

- (a) - -
- (b) - -
- (c) - -
- (d) - -
- (e) - -
- (f) - -
- (g) - -
- (h) - -

Answer:

Before – Word – After

- (a) go – to – the
- (b) when – I – reached
- (e) found – myself – labelled
- (d) as – a – foreign
- (e) discovered – that – a
- (f) was – from – Japan
- (g) from – some – other
- (h) hard – as – an

Question 20.

In the passage given below, one word has been omitted in each line. Write the missing word along with the word that comes before and the word that comes after against the correct blank number. Underline the word that forms your answer.

A decision rolling out the odd-even
 traffic restrictions in city will
 now taken op Tuesday after
 the Delhi government filed review petition in
 the National Green Tribunal asking exemptions
 for two-wheelers women for
 one year or 2000 when more buses will start operating in
 the capital. The petition came on day when the spell
 of 'severe' air quality in Delhi completed full week.

Before – Word – After

decision – on – rolling

- (a) - -
- (b) - -
- (c) - -

- (d) - -
- (e) - -
- (f) - -
- (g) - -
- (h) - -

Answer:

Before – Word – After

- (a) in – the – city
- (b) now – be – taken
- (c) filed – a – review
- (d) asking – for – exemptions
- (e) wheelers – and – women
- (f) or – till – 2000
- (g) on – a – day
- (h) completed – a – full

Question 21.

In the passage given below, one word has been omitted in each line. Write the missing word along with the word that comes before and the word that comes after against the correct blank number. Underline the word that forms your answer.

Dinosaurs reigned supreme over 180 million years. Their the dynasty came to close 66 million years ago when an an asteroid crashed the Yucatan Peninsula in Mexico at a the site knew the Chicxuluh crater paving the way for mammals-and eventually humans-inherit the Earth. But had extraterrestrial impact happened nearly anywhere else, like the ocean or in the middle of most continents, some scientists now say it is possible dinosaurs could be survived annihilation. Other researchers question the findings.

e.g.

Before – Word – After

supreme – for – over

- (a) - -
- (b) - -
- (c) - -
- (d) - -
- (e) - -

- (f) - -
 (g) - -
 (h) - -

Answer:

Before – Word – After

- (a) to – a – close
 (b) crashed – into – the
 (c) known – as – the
 (d) humans – to – inherit
 (e) had – the – extraterrestrial
 (f) like – in – the
 (g) could – have – survived
 (h) question – their – findings

Question 22.

In the passage given below, one word has been omitted in each line. Write the missing word along with the word that comes before and the word that comes after against the correct blank number. Underline the word that forms your answer.

When the asteroid struck, found a
 rich source sulphur and hydrocarbons,
 or organic deposits fossil fuels,
 according to the researchers. Scorching hot temperatures at the
 impact crater have ignited the fuel. The Chicxulub impact
 spewed an extraordinary amount of black carbon or soot from
 the rocks, the researchers said. That turn, launched nearly
 60 Hoover Dams worth of soot the upper atmosphere,
 cooling the Earth's surface by as much 18 degrees Fahrenheit.

e.g.

Before – Word – After

struck – it – found

- (a) - -
 (b) - -
 (c) - -
 (d) - -
 (e) - -
 (f) - -

- (g) - -
 (h) - -

Answer:

Before – Word – After

- (a) source – of – sulphur
 (b) deposits – like – fossil
 (c) according – to – the
 (d) crater – would – have
 (e) spewed – an – extraordinary
 (f) hat – in – turn
 (g) soot – into – the
 (h) much – as – 18

Question 23.

In the passage given below, one word has been omitted in each line. Write the missing word along with the word that comes before and the word that comes after against the correct blank number. Underline the word that forms your answer.

Australian scientists launched Monday a
 smartphone app challenges people to eat
 more veggies. This app called 'Veg Eze'.
 It aims to motivate people to add vegetables
 to daily diets and form long-term, healthier habits
 through a 21-day 'Do 3 at Dinner' challenge.
 It helps track their intake and tally up vegetable
 serves, with daily reminders rewards to help people
 stay motivated and track. Committing to eating more
 vegetables every day is of the most important dietary
 habits we can adopt to improve our health.

e.g.

Before – Word – After

launched – on – Monday

- (a) - -
 (b) - -
 (c) - -
 (d) - -
 (e) - -
 (f) - -

- (g) - -
 (h) - -

Answer:

Before – Word – After

- (a) app – that – challenges
 (b) app – is – called
 (c) aims – to motivate
 (d) to – their – daily
 (e) helps – people – Track
 (f) reminders – and rewards
 (g) and – on – Track
 (h) is – one – of

Question 24.

In the passage given below, one word has been omitted in each line. Write the missing word along with the word that comes before and the word that comes after against the correct blank number. Underline the word that forms your answer.

Every smog episode Delhi is blamed on crop
 stubble burning farmers in the neighbouring
 states. Scientists agree that events Diwali and
 stubble burning may pushing pollution levels to
 “emergency levels” briefly, that cannot take
 away the fact that Delhi’s local emissions have
 only risen the years. Central Pollution Control Board’s
 national air quality monitoring programme which been
 tracking annual PM 2.5 and PM 10 levels 2009, shows a
 clear trend of rising PM 2.5 level over the years.

e.g.

Before – Word – After
 episode – in – Delhi

- (a) - -
 (b) - -
 (c) - -
 (d) - -
 (e) - -
 (f) - -



- (g) - -
 (h) - -

Answer:

Before – Word – After

- (a) burning – by – farmers
 (b) events – like – Diwali
 (c) may – be – pushing
 (d) briefly – but – that
 (e) away – from – the
 (f) risen – over – the
 (g) which – has – been
 (h) levels – since – 2009

Question 25.

In the passage given below, one word has been omitted in each line. Write the missing word along with the word that comes before and the word that comes after against the correct blank number. Underline the word that forms your answer.

More than 400 people killed in
 Iran a magnitude 7.3 earthquake jolted the country, state
 media said on Monday. Rescuers searching for dozens
 trapped rubble in the mountainous area. At least
 six died in Iraq as well.
 Iran's state television said more 407 people were killed in
 the earthquake making it the deadliest earthquake of 2017.
 Local officials said the death toll rise, as search and rescue
 teams reached remote areas of Iran. The earthquake felt in
 several western provinces of Iran as well.

Before – Word – After

400 – were – killed

- (a) - -
 (b) - -
 (c) - -
 (d) - -
 (e) - -
 (f) - -
 (g) - -
 (h) - -

Answer:

Before – Word – After

- (a) Iran – when – a
- (b) Rescuers – were – Searching
- (c) trapped – under – rubble
- (d) six – have – Died
- (e) more – than – 407
- (f) it – the – deadliest
- (g) toll – would – rise
- (h) earthquake – was – felt

Question 26.

In the passage given below, one word has been omitted in each line. Write the missing word along with the word that comes before and the word that comes after against the correct blank number. Underline the word that forms your answer.

The most sought Indian goods are spices followed cosmetics. Textiles and home decoration pieces are sale. Buyers include vast community of expatriates including Pakistanis, Japanese, Arabs, Africans, and even Europeans who are fond curried food. Over a million expats live in different Chinese cities. There are more 100 physical stores selling Indian products China. These shops most of are run by local traders, also sell online. Indian products usually sell a premium.

e.g.

Before – Word – After

sought – after – Indian

- (a) – –
- (b) – –
- (c) – –
- (d) – –
- (e) – –
- (f) – –
- (g) – –
- (h) – –



Answer:

Before – Word – After

- (a) followed – by – cosmetics
- (b) are – on – sale
- (c) include – the – vast
- (d) fond – of – curried
- (e) more – than – 100
- (f) products – across/in – China
- (g) of – which – are
- (h) sell – at – a

Question 27.

In the passage given below, one word has been omitted in each line. Write the missing word along with the word that comes before and the word that comes after against the correct blank number. Underline the word that forms your answer.

An Agra girl fulfilled the last wish of father, fighting against all odds. Daughter of irrigation department employee who passed in 2015, Sonia Sharma, 22, won the gold medal Para Shooting World Cup in Bangkok November 10, 2017. She won 10 m. air pistol event in the team category. Her team scored a total 1070 points, 22 points more than nearest rivals. Sonia scored 357 in four rounds, while her teammates Pooja Delhi scored 358 Rubina of Bhopal scored 355.

e.g.

Before – Word – After

of – her – father

- (a) – –
- (b) – –
- (c) – –
- (d) – –
- (e) – –
- (f) – –
- (g) – –
- (h) – –

Answer:

Before – Word – After

- (a) of – an – irrigation
- (b) passed – away – in
- (c) medal – in – Para
- (d) Bangkok – on – November
- (e) won – the – 10 m
- (f) than – their – nearest
- (g) Pooja – of/from – Delhi
- (h) 358 – and – Rubina

Question 28.

In the passage given below, one word has been omitted in each line. Write the missing word along with the word that comes before and the word that comes after against the correct blank number. Underline the word that forms your answer.

It was Irani Cup.

Wriddhiman Saha smashed a match-winning double hundred to notch an unlikely win for Rest of India against Gujarat. Asked a reaction, Saha said, 'I felt all the comfortable because Puji was the other end. No chance of his getting out',-that sums Cheteshwar Pujara's batting. His 182 the Ranji Trophy match against Gujarat helped him get the top 10 averages for players who have more than 10,000 runs in first-class cricket.

e.g.

Before – Word – After
was – the – Irani

- (a) – –
- (b) – –
- (c) – –
- (d) – –
- (e) – –
- (f) – –
- (g) – –
- (h) – –

Answer:

Before – Word – After

- (a) Saha – had – smashed
- (b) notch – up – an
- (c) Asked – for – a
- (d) the – more – comfortable
- (e) was – at – the
- (f) sums – up – Cheteshwar
- (g) 182 – in – the
- (h) get – into – the

Question 29.

In the passage given below, one word has been omitted in each line. Write the missing word along with the word that comes before and the word that comes after against the correct blank number. Underline the word that forms your answer.

“Two the world’s great democracies should also have the world’s greatest militaries”, The US India resolved on Monday in unprecedented commitment, following a meeting between PM Modi and President Trump on the sidelines of the ASEAN Summit in the Philippines. Supporting India’s rise a global power has an objective for the last two U.S. administrations. But never before the goal been stated in such militaristic terms. The The US seems set helping expand India’s military capabilities.

e.g.

Before – Word – After

Two – of – the

- (a) – –
- (b) – –
- (c) – –
- (d) – –
- (e) – –
- (f) – –
- (g) – –
- (h) – –

Answer:

Before – Word – After

- (a) US – and – India
- (b) in – an – unprecedented
- (c) following – a – meeting
- (d) on – the – sidelines
- (e) rise – as – a
- (f) has – been – an
- (g) before – has – the
- (h) set – on – helping

