Improvement of Sentences

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Practice Problems with Solution

A part of the sentence in the following questions is underlined. Below are given alternatives to the underlined part which may improve the sentence. Choose the option corresponding to the correct alternative that will improve the sentence without losing the meaning. In case no improvement is needed, choose the option accordingly

Question 1: What she said is not correct at all.

A: incorrect

- B: not incorrect
- C: correct
- D: No improvement

Question 2: My uncle couldn't rise up from his bed <u>no more</u>.

- A: any farther
- B: any further
- C: any more
- D: No improvement

Question 3: The train <u>rolls</u> along the track.

- A: rumbles B: rattles
- B: rattles
- C: ripples
- D: No improvement

Question 4: His miserable condition <u>made us wept</u>.

- A: made us weep B: made us to weep
- C: made us to wept
- D: No improvement

Question 5: Everybody was alarmed <u>with</u> the news of his murder. A: by B: after C: at

D: No improvement

Question 6: The greatest fear <u>which is scaring of the world</u> today is global warming.

- A: which had scared
- B: that scared off the world
- C: that scares the world
- D: No improvement

Question 7: Anyone interested in computer programming can find a job <u>if you</u> <u>learnt</u> programming languages.

- A: by studying
- B: if he would learn
- C: if he had learnt
- D: No improvement

Question 8: Anxiety and other such emotions are known to be <u>unhealthy</u> to the body.

- A: dangerous
- B: detrimental
- C: damaging
- D: No improvement

Question 9: The Summer Arts Festival is the only place where <u>we are</u> <u>fortunately see</u> such diverse art forms.

- A: we are able to fortunately see
- B: we are fortunate to see
- C: we are fortunate to saw
- D: No improvement

Question 10: He speaks not only English but Hindi as well.

- A: as well as Hindi
- B: Hindi too
- C: also Hindi
- D: No improvement

Answers and Solutions

1:- D

Solution: The sentence requires no improvement

2:-C

Solution: Two negatives in a sentence will make the sentence positive. Since "could not" is already given, "any more" is the correct word.

3:- A

Solution: "rumbles" is the appropriate word to describe the movement of a train.

4:- A

Solution: When a verb is used as a causative verb, the conjugation is required only for that verb and not for the parent verb. Hence "made" is in past tense and "weep" will remain in the present tense.

5:- A

Solution: "by" is the correct preposition to be used with "alarmed"

6:- C

Solution: A general statement of relevance should be expressed in present tense.

7:- A

Solution: The subject is "anyone" and hence the pronouns "you" or "he" will not agree with the verb.

8:- C

Solution: "damaging" is a better word than "unhealthy"

9:- B

Solution: The adverb "fortunately" is inappropriate here and the adjective "fortunate" is apt.

10:- C

Solution: "not only" is always connected with "but also".

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