

SPOT THE ERROR

Directions

In the passage given below there are 10 blanks. Every blank has four alternative words given in options (A),(B),(C), and (D). You have to tell which word is APPROPRIATE according to the context. If all are appropriate then mark your answer as "E".

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| 1. Seen | watch | neglect | participate | All Correct |
| 2. flop | expect | marvel | deride | All Correct |
| 3. hurricanes | tempests | twisters | blast | All Correct |
| 4. Hesitancy | amnesty | acquittal | conviction | All Correct |
| 5. Courteous | lessee | rude | considerate | All Correct |

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| 6. Nadir | culmination | aperture | chasm | All Correct |
| 7. Well | dated | sober | feverish | All Correct |
| 8. As | likely | being | having | All Correct |
| 9. Snappy | feverish | enthusiastic | tepid | All Correct |
| 10. Chafe | warm up | roast | overheat | All Correct |

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11. Small European countries have shown (A)/ what can be done through joint effort, and (B)/ multiple opportunities await India (C)/ and China through such a venture. (D)/ No error (E)

Answer- (B) joint effort

12. India's expertise in low-cost satellite launches (A)/ and China's knowledge (B)/ of mega rocket ventures (C)/ can be made a winning combination. (D)/ No error (E)

Answer- (D) can make

13. In fact, the realization has dawned on many nation (A)/ as is evident from such international (B)/ collaborations in varied fields as keeping (C)/ a watch on and probably cleaning up space debris that satellite launches have caused. (D)/ No error (E)

Answer- (A) many nations

14. This is the most dangerous (A)/ aspect of it, because this oil goes (B)/ directly to the consumer (C)/ leading to health disaster in many ways. (D)/ No error (E)

Answer- (E) No error

15. In winters, poor burn plastic to (A)/ get some warmth. Gases which emit (B)/ from this burning are poisonous (C)/ and directly effect our lung. (D)/ No error (E)

Answer- (C) are poisonous (D) affect our lungs

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