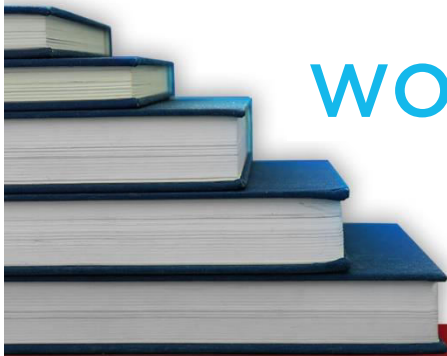


ENGLISH



WORKSHEET-13



STOP

A PROJECT BY PUNJAB GROUP

Worksheet-13

PUNCTUATION

DIRECTIONS: Identify the underlined word or phrase that contains a mistake and needs to be changed to make the sentence correct.

- Q.1 Knitting may appear complex, but even
 A B
 its most complicated patterns
can be created from a combination of
 C
just two stitches; knit
 D
 stitches and purl stitches.
- Q.2 Everyone on the team agreed that the
best option was to forfeit the
 A
game; without their best player; the team
 B C
 didn't have a chance of winning.
 D
- Q.3 That book over there belongs
 A B
 to Eileen; so we should return it to her
 C
 before she needs to study for the massive
 D
 English test next week.
- Q.4 During Roman times, Julius
 Caesar was well known not only for his
 A B
 superior strategy on the
battlefield; but also for his oratorical
 C D
 abilities.
- Q.5 James's grocery list included
 A
the following items; broccoli, frozen
 B C
 yogurt, bread, pork chops, and eggs.
 D

- Q.6 I was going to go for a
 A
 run today, however, the stormy weather
 B C
 caused me to postpone my workout.
 D
- Q.7 The martial art of karate is based around
 A B
 two ain techniques; kicks and punches. _
 C D
- Q.8 Jamie and Geanna could not agree
 on what day would be best to go to the
 A B
 music festival; Jamie wanted to go see a
 C
 great DJ on Saturday; while Geanna
 D
 wanted to see her favorite band on
 Sunday.
- Q.9 Nathan has never been known as a
 A
 shy person; and he proved that again
 B
 tonight by jumping on stage
 C
 and singing with the band.
 D
- Q.10 The guests will have
 several desserts to choose from; chocolate
 A B C
 cake, lemon sorbet, peach pie, and flan.
 D

DIRECTIONS: Pick the correct option:

- Q.11
- A) I am asking if you would like to rollerblade together tomorrow?
 B) I am asking "if you would like to rollerblade together tomorrow?"
 C) I am asking if you would like to rollerblade together tomorrow.
 D) I am asking "if you would like to rollerblade together tomorrow."

Q.12

- A) Yes, Jean, you were right about that answer.
- B) Yes Jean, you were right about that answer.
- C) Yes Jean you were right about that answer.
- D) Yes, Jean, you were right, about that answer.

Q.13

- A) I saw our town's ex-Mayor in the mall.
- B) I saw our town's ex-mayor in the mall.
- C) I saw our town's ex Mayor in the mall.
- D) I saw our town's exMayor in the mall.

Q.14

- A) Wherever we go, People recognize us.
- B) Wherever we go. People recognize us.
- C) Wherever we go; people recognize us.
- D) Wherever we go, people recognize us.

Q.15

- A) Whenever Cheryl is in town. She visits her sister.
- B) Whenever Cheryl, is in town, she visits her sister.
- C) Whenever, Cheryl is in town, she visits her sister.
- D) Whenever Cheryl is in town, she visits her sister.

Q.16

- A) My favorite musician, who is also my cousin, plays a mean fuzz bass.
- B) My favorite musician who is also my cousin plays a mean fuzz bass.
- C) My favorite musician who is also my cousin, plays a mean fuzz bass.
- D) My favorite musician, who is also my cousin plays a mean fuzz bass.

Q.17

- A) It may not be the correct part, but I bet that it works.
- B) It may not be the correct part but, I bet that it works.
- C) It may not be the correct part but: I bet that it works.
- D) It may not be the correct part but, I bet, that it works.

Q.18

- A) You are my friend; however, I cannot afford to lend you any more money.
- B) You are my friend; however; I cannot afford to lend you any more money.
- C) You are my friend, however I cannot afford; to lend you any more money.
- D) You are, my friend, however. I cannot afford to lend you any more money.

Q.19

- A) Paul Simon sang, "I am a rock, I am. An island."
- B) Paul Simon sang, "I am a rock; I am an island."
- C) Paul Simon sang I am a rock; I am an island.
- D) Paul Simon sang I am a rock, I am an island.

Q.20

- A) I asked Ella, "Did he ask for his ring back"?"
- B) I asked Ella did he ask for his ring back.
- C) I asked Ella, "Did he ask for his ring back?"
- D) I asked Ella, "did he ask for his ring back?"

Q.21

- A) John F. Kennedy Jr. became a magazine publisher and a pilot before his tragic death.
- B) John F. Kennedy Jr. became a magazine publisher, and a pilot before his tragic death.
- C) John F. Kennedy Jr., became a magazine publisher and a pilot, before his tragic death.
- D) John F. Kennedy Jr. became a magazine, publisher, and a pilot before his tragic death.

Q.22

- A) Julio, my friend from Ames, Ohio will join us.
- B) Julio, my friend from Ames, Ohio, will join us.
- C) Julio, my friend, from Ames, Ohio will join us.

D) Julio my friend from Ames Ohio will join us.

Q.23

- A) The elections will be held on: the first Tuesday of November, 2018.
- B) The elections will be held, on the first Tuesday of November 2018.
- C) The elections will be held on the first Tuesday, of November 2018.
- D) The elections will be held on the first Tuesday of November 2018.

Q.24

- A) The elections will be held on Tuesday November 6, 2018, and the polls will be kept open until 8:00 p.m.
- B) The elections will be held on Tuesday, November 6, 2018, and the polls will be kept open until 8:00 p.m.
- C) The elections will be held on Tuesday, November 6, 2018 and the polls will be kept open until 8:00 p.m.
- D) The elections will be held on: Tuesday, November 6, 2018, and the polls will be kept open until 8:00 p.m.

Q.25

- A) It is good that a caring dedicated teacher like Mr. Fuentes, should be appreciated by students who are usually bored and too busy.
- B) It is good that a caring, dedicated teacher like Mr. Fuentes should be appreciated by students who are usually, bored and too busy.
- C) It is good that a caring dedicated teacher like Mr. Fuentes should be appreciated by students who are usually bored and too busy.
- D) It is good that a caring, dedicated teacher like Mr. Fuentes should be appreciated by students who are usually bored and too busy.

Q.26

- A) Knowing her own strengths and working hard made her a success in school.
- B) Knowing her own strengths and

working hard, made her a success in school.

- C) Knowing her own strengths and working hard made her, a success, in school.
- D) Knowing her own strengths, and working hard made her a success in school.

Q.27

- A) I need to locate four states on the map: Minnesota, Michigan, California, and Nevada.
- B) I need to locate four states on the map. Minnesota; Michigan; California; and Nevada.
- C) I need to locate four states on the map Minnesota, Michigan, California, and Nevada.
- D) I need to locate four states on the map; Minnesota, Michigan, California, and Nevada.

Q.28

- A) Right now I want two things peace and quiet.
- B) Right now I want two things; peace and quiet.
- C) Right now I want two things ... peace and quiet.
- D) Right now I want two things: peace and quiet.

Q.29

- A) Our philosophy teacher thinks that Einstein believed: that we cannot stop war by waging war.
- B) Our philosophy teacher thinks that Einstein believed that, we cannot stop war by waging war.
- C) Our philosophy teacher thinks that Einstein believed that we cannot stop war by waging war.
- D) Our philosophy teacher thinks that Einstein believed, that we cannot stop war by waging war.

Q.30

- A) A well—made argument was presented for negotiating a peaceful resolution.
- B) A well made argument was presented, for negotiating a peaceful resolution.
- C) A well-made argument was presented for negotiating a peaceful resolution.
- D) A well-made-argument was presented for negotiating a peaceful resolution.

STEP ENTRY TEST 2021

ANSWER KEY (Worksheet-13)

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

ANSWERS EXPLAINED**Q.1 Correct Answer D:** (just two stitches)

This sentence's error lies in the incorrect way in which it uses a semicolon to introduce a list. "Knit stitches and purl stitches" are the "two stitches" that the sentence introduces earlier, so a colon is the most appropriate punctuation mark to use in this instance. The corrected sentence reads, "Knitting may appear complex, but even its most complicated patterns can be created from a combination of just two stitches: knit stitches and purl stitches."

Q.2 Correct Answer C: (player; the)

A comma should be used instead of a semicolon to separate the introductory phrase "without their best player" from the rest of the second independent clause "the team didn't have a chance of winning."

Q.3 Correct Answer C: (eileen)

A semicolon is meant to connect two thoughts that are both independent clauses. However, the second clause here is dependent and is connected by the

word "so." In this situation, a comma would be appropriate to link that subordinate clause to the first independent clause. So, the corrected sentence would read, "That book over there belongs to Eileen, so we should help return it to her before she needs to study for the massive English test next week."

Q.4 Correct Answer C: (battlefield; but)

A semicolon is used to connect two independent clauses. In this case, the phrase that follows the semicolon is not an independent clause (a complete sentence that can stand on its own), so the use of a semicolon here is incorrect. Changing the semicolon to a comma would correct the sentence's error.

Q.5 Correct Answer C: (items; broccoli)

A colon, not a semicolon, should be used to introduce a list of things. Semicolons are only used to connect two independent clauses, or parts of a combined sentence that could each stand alone as an independent sentence. That isn't the case in this sentence; "broccoli, frozen yogurt, bread, pork chops, and eggs" is not a complete sentence.

Q.6 Correct Answer B: (today,)

The sentence has two independent clauses. Each could be its own sentence: "I was going to go for a run today" and "the stormy weather caused me to postpone my workout." They are joined by a conjunctive adverb, "however." (Other conjunctive adverbs include "accordingly," "consequently," "hence," "moreover," "otherwise," "therefore," and "thus.") When two independent clauses are joined by a conjunctive adverb, they require a semicolon after the first clause, not a comma. The corrected sentence would read, "I was going to go for a run today; however, the stormy weather caused me to postpone my workout."

Q.7 Correct Answer C: (techniques;)

The semicolon used after "techniques" is an inappropriate way to introduce a list. To correct this error, we should replace the semicolon with a colon.

Q.8 Correct Answer D: (saturated;)

The semicolon after "Saturday;" is the error in the sentence, and should be replaced with a comma to correctly separate the clauses.

Q.9 Correct Answer B: (person)

The semicolon after "person" is incorrectly used in this sentence, and should be replaced with a comma.

Q.10 Correct Answer C: (from;)

Here, we're separating an independent clause ("The guests will have several desserts to choose from") from a list ("chocolate cake, lemon sorbet, peach pie, and flan"), so the correct punctuation is a colon and not a semicolon. Semicolons are only used to separate two independent clauses, not an independent clause and a list.

Q.11 Correct Answer C:

I am asking if you would like to rollerblade together tomorrow.
Explanation: this is not a direct quote, nor is it a direct question.

Q.12 Correct Answer A:

Yes, Jean, you were right about that answer.
Explanation: when you address someone directly by name or title within a sentence, surround the name or title with commas.

Q.13 Correct Answer B:

I saw our town's ex-mayor in the mall.
Explanation: hyphenate words beginning with the prefix ex; do not capitalize titles unless they directly precede a name.

Q.14 Correct Answer D:

Wherever we go, people recognize us.
Explanation: use a comma after an introductory clause.

Q.15 Correct Answer D:

Whenever Cheryl is in town, she visits her sister.
Explanation: use a comma after an introductory clause.

Q.16 Correct Answer A:

My favorite musician, who is also my cousin, plays a mean fuzz bass.
Explanation: the nonessential clause "who is also my cousin" should be set off by commas.

Q.17 Correct Answer A:

It may not be the correct part, but I bet that it works.
Explanation: the comma after "part" is not strictly necessary, but it puts a brief, appropriate pause between the two clauses.

Q.18 Correct Answer A:

You are my friend; however, I cannot afford to lend you any more money.
Explanation: use a semicolon between two closely related independent clauses.

Q.19 Correct Answer B:

Paul Simon sang, "I am a rock; I am an island."
Explanation: See Explanation 8. Use quotation marks when writing a direct quote.

Q.20 Correct Answer C:

I asked Ella, "Did he ask for his ring back?"
Explanation: the question mark belongs inside the quotation marks because the quotation is a question.

Q.21 Correct Answer A:

John F. Kennedy Jr. became a magazine publisher and a pilot before his tragic death.

Explanation: no commas are necessary in this sentence.

Q.22 Correct Answer B:

Julio, my friend from Ames, Ohio, will join us.

Explanation: when both city and state are mentioned before the end of a sentence, put a comma after the city and another after the state.

Q.23 Correct Answer D:

The elections will be held on the first Tuesday of November 2018.

Explanation: no commas are needed here because no complete dates are given.

Q.24 Correct Answer B:

The elections will be held on Tuesday, November 6, 2018, and the polls will be kept open until 8:00 p.m.

Explanation: When month, day, and year are mentioned before the end of a sentence, put a comma after the day and another after the year. When, as in this sentence, the day of the week is mentioned first, follow it with a comma also.

Q.25 Correct Answer D:

It is good that a caring, dedicated teacher like Mr. Fuentes should be appreciated by students who are usually bored and too busy.

Explanation: a comma is required between “caring” and “dedicated” because the order of these adjectives is interchangeable and both words have equal weight in describing “teacher.”

Q.26 Correct Answer A:

Knowing her own strengths and working hard made her a success in school.

Explanation: the sentence does not require a comma.

Q.27 Correct Answer A:

I need to locate four states on the map: Minnesota, Michigan, California, and Nevada.

Explanation: use a colon to introduce a series of items.

Q.28 Correct Answer D:

Right now I want two things: peace and quiet.

Explanation: use a colon when examples follow a statement.

Q.29 Correct Answer C:

Our philosophy teacher thinks that Einstein believed that we cannot stop war by waging war.

Explanation: This sentence does not require a comma. Avoid colons before a list when they directly follow a verb or preposition.

Q.30 Correct Answer C:

A well-made argument was presented for negotiating a peaceful resolution.

Explanation: hyphenate two or more words (“well-made”) that act as one idea in front of a noun.

Your Answer: Not Answered

STOP

A PROGRAM BY PUNJAB GROUP

