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Phrase Replacement is the most important and high scoring section in verbal ability portion. To score good in this, one should enhance one's verbal ability by reading from Standard English language source(s) on regular basis. This will help to develop the natural understanding of correct sentence structures. There are some grammar basic rules, which one must know for better understanding of Phrase Replacement questions. A few of those rules are discussed below:

**(i)** This should be kept in mind that if subject is singular, then the verb will take a singular form. And if subject is plural, then the verb will take a plural form.

**(ii)** In case, the subject is a collective noun, then the verb will take a singular form.

**(iii)** In case, the subjects are connected by '**and**'; they require a plural verb.

**(iv)** If the subjects are connected by '**or**', the verb used will be singular.

**(v)** In case there are two different subjects; the verb is put matching the closer subject.

**(vi)** All the sentences that begin with '**each**', '**everyone**' and '**anyone**' will have a singular verb.

**(vii)** Repetition error is the error of writing the same thing twice.

**For example:**

- He **returned back** from Delhi.  
(wrong)

- He **came back** from Delhi.  
(right)

- He **returned** from Delhi. (right)

**(viii)** A common mistake is to leave a participle without a subject.

**Example: Seating** on the gate, a **scorpion** stung him.

Here, 'seating' cannot be used for scorpion as it is grammatically incorrect. So, the correct way of saying should be -

**Seating** on the gate, **he** was stung by a scorpion.

OR

While **he** was **seating** on the gate, a scorpion stung him.

Apart from these, all grammar formulae should be memorized because these formulae will help not only in attempting Phrase Replacement questions but also in attempting all grammar based questions.

**Direction (1-10):** Some sentences are given below. In each sentence a phrase is printed in bold. Below each sentence, four phrases labeled (a), (b), (c), and (d) are given which can be replaced with the bold phrase to make the sentence grammatically correct. If the sentence is correct; choose option (e) as the answer.

1. It has become a neutral territory, **somewhere for the** real world and fairyland.

- (a) somewhere between the
- (b) somewhere to the
- (c) somewhere in the
- (d) somewhere in between of the
- (e) None of the above

2. He then forgives his enemies and **asking for blessings** for his friends.

- (a) has asked for blessings
- (b) have asked blessings
- (c) asked for blessings
- (d) asks for blessings

(e) None of the above

3. It was the first long **step taken to the development** of the university.

- (a) step taken to develop
- (b) step taken for the development
- (c) step took to the development
- (d) step took to develop
- (e) None of the above

4. There is no use of **barking at the wrong tree**.

- (a) barking to the wrong tree
- (b) barking the wrong tree
- (c) barking for the wrong tree
- (d) barking up the wrong tree.
- (e) None of the above

5. **The more ugly old woman** in the group is the most pitiless.

- (a) The uglier old woman
- (b) The most ugly old women
- (c) The ugliest old woman
- (d) Both (b) and (c)
- (e) None of the above

6. People from both sides **does not want a war**.

- (a) do not want a war.
- (b) does not want war.
- (c) does not wants war.
- (d) do not wanted a war.
- (e) None of the above

7. At the edge of the crowd stands a person with a stranger **whose dress**

**suggested** his indifference to his personal appearance.

- (a) whom dress suggests (b) whose dressing suggest  
(c) whose dressing suggested (d) whose dress suggests  
(e) None of the above

**8.** Then **he did enquired** the name of the candidate.

- (a) he enquires  
(b) he inquires  
(c) he is inquiring (d) Both (a) and (b)  
(e) None of the above

**9.** Petitions **can grant to the** undeserving person too if one likes the person.

- (a) can be granted to the (b) can be grant to the  
(c) can granted to the  
(d) can be grant for the  
(e) None of the above

**10.** The newspaper **blow the lid of** the scandalous deeds of all of the politicians.

- (a) blew the lid off (b) blown the lid off  
(c) blow the lid of  
(d) blew the lid of  
(e) None of the above

**Direction(11-20):** *In each of the following sentences, one part of the sentence is written in bold and four alternatives are given against each sentence. You need to select the alternative which makes the sentence grammatically correct and meaningful. If the sentence is already correct, mark Option (d) as your answer.*

**11.** The woman broke down when the police **told her that her son was died.**

- (a) told her that her son will have  
(b) tell her that her son had  
(c) told her that her son had  
(d) No correction required.

**12.** The firemen **had to broke into** the room to rescue the children.

- (a) had to break into  
(b) have to break into  
(c) had to breaking into  
(d) No correction required.

**13.** You are still mad. You need **to calm off before you drive** the car.

- (a) to calming down before you drive  
(b) to calm down before you drive  
(c) to calm before you drive



(d) No correction required.

**14.** We will get the hotel keys **when we were check in.**

- (a) when we check in
- (b) when we check out
- (c) when we check off
- (d) No correction required.

**15.** I brought you some **flowers to cheer you up.**

- (a) flowers to cheer you down
- (b) flowers for cheer you up
- (c) flower to cheer yourself up
- (d) No correction required.

**16.** Your father cut in while I **was dancing with you're uncle.**

- (a) were dancing with your uncle
- (b) was dancing to your uncle
- (c) was dancing with your uncle.
- (d) No correction required.

**17.** It is a fancy **restaurant so we have to** dress up.

- (a) restaurant so we had to
- (b) restaurant so we often have to
- (c) restaurant so we has to
- (d) No correction required.

**18.** The picture that you hung up last **night falling down this** morning.

- (a) night was fell down this
- (b) night was falling down this
- (c) night fell down this
- (d) No correction required.

**19.** The form must **be filled off in capital** letters.

- (a) be filled out on capital
- (b) be filled out in capital
- (c) be filled on in capital
- (d) No correction required.

**20.** I got **up early today to study** for my exam.

- (a) up early today to studying for
- (b) down early today to study for
- (c) up early today for study to
- (d) No correction required.

**Direction (21-30): In each of the following sentences, one part of the sentence is written in bold and five alternatives are given against each sentence. You need to select the alternative which makes the sentence grammatically correct and meaningful. If the sentence is already correct, mark Option (e) as your answer.**

**Q21.** The bank is surviving on the government equity infusion and **diverts all its focus upon** recovery of bad loans.

- (a) have diverted all its focus on
- (b) has diverting all its focus upon
- (c) has diverted all its focus upon
- (d) has diverted all its focus on
- (e) No improvement required

**Q22.** The investment in the shares of A. R. Shipbuilders and Engineers has **not turned out to be a good** one for the investors till now.

- (a) not turned in to be a good
- (b) not turned off to be a good
- (c) not turning out to be a good
- (d) not turned out to be good
- (e) No improvement required

**Q23.** The time series data on direct tax **collections releasing by the governments show** wide variation in performance by states.

- (a) subsidies released by the government shows
- (b) collections released by the government shows
- (c) collections which has released by government shows

- (d) subsidies released by the government show
- (e) No improvement required

**Q24.** The Global Index noted that India has been taking slow but steady **steps towards being strengthened its** retirement income system.

- (a) steps towards strengthening its
- (b) step towards strengthening of its
- (c) steps towards strengthened its
- (d) steps toward strengthening of its
- (e) No improvement required

**Q25.** The demographics and the macro economic factors in India are diverse and **all the accountability have to be** aligned to other programs.

- (a) all the plans have to be
- (b) all the alliances have to be
- (c) all the powers have to be
- (d) all the services has to be
- (e) No improvement required

**Q26.** Volatility in Jet fuel prices and foreign **exchanges rates have caused** liquidity crunch at low cost carrier SpiceJet.

- (a) exchanges rates has caused
- (b) exchange rates has caused

- (c) exchange rates have caused
- (d) exchanges rates has caused
- (e) No improvement required

**Q27.** China's financial sector is under sharp scrutiny as Beijing attempts to lower high debt levels in the economy and **curb an inflow of capital from** the country to shore up the yuan.

- (a) curb an inflow off capital from
- (b) curb an outflow off capital from
- (c) curb an outflow of capital from
- (d) curb an inflow of capital off
- (e) No improvement required

**Q28.** A government appointed committee has recommended adoption of a United Nations **modal law along with some other** carve outs for dealing with cross border insolvency cases.

- (a) model law along with some other
- (b) model law alongwith some other
- (c) modal law alongwith some other
- (d) model law along with some others
- (e) No improvement required

**Q29.** Kipling was one of the most versatile writers of his time, whose mastery over forms such as the short

**stories and the novel remain**

undisputed, and who wrote for adults and children with equal proficiency.

- (a) story or the novels remain
- (b) story and the novels remain
- (c) story and the novel remains
- (d) story and the novel remain
- (e) No improvement required

**Q30.** One of the fulfillments of literature is the opportunity to view the world from a different time and place, from perspectives that may or may **not match our own**.

- (a) not match our on
- (b) not match ours own
- (c) not matches your own
- (d) not matches our own
- (e) No improvement required

**Direction (31-40):** Some sentences are given below. In each sentence a phrase is given in bold. Below each sentence, four phrases labeled (A), (B), (c), and (d) are given which can be replaced with the bold phrase to make the sentence grammatically correct. If the sentence is already correct; choose option (e) as the answer.

**Q31.** New doctors **need to be learned and practised a lot of surgical procedures** for which cadavers are also required.

- (a) need to learn and practise a lots of surgical procedure
- (b) needs to learn and practice a lot of surgical procedures
- (c) need to learn and practise a lot of surgical procedures
- (d) needs to learn and practice a lot of surgical procedure
- (e) None of the Above

**Q32.** Even after the filmmakers agreed to cut a scene that had an abusive word, the board would still not relent, **leading to the filmmakers approaching the court.**

- (a) lead the filmmakers to approaching the court
- (b) leading the filmmakers to approach the court
- (c) lead to the filmmakers approaching the court
- (d) leading the filmmakers for approaching the court
- (e) No change is required

**Q33.** There **is no like have an elected government** that functions within the

constitutional framework at the helm in a democracy.

- (a) is no liking to having an elected government
- (b) is nothing like having an elected government
- (c) is nothing like to having an elected government
- (d) Both (B) and (c)
- (e) No change is required

**Q34.** Modi achieved **what so far only Nehru and his daughter have** – win a majority for his party in two consecutive elections – by repeatedly claiming that we have stepped into a new era.

- (a) what so far only Nehru and his daughter can
- (b) what so far only Nehru and his daughter could have achieve
- (c) what so far only Nehru and his daughter could
- (d) All of the above
- (e) No change is required

**Q35.** We need the support of area residents **and they informed us** and convince addicts to undergo tests and de-addiction course.

- (a) and they must inform us



- (b) and they could have inform us
- (c) and they should have informed us
- (d) Both (A) and (c)
- (e) No change is required

**Q36.** If Pakistan **wants to break out its vicious cycle** of terror and talks, it should let Kulbhushan Jadhav go home.

- (a) wants to brake its vicious cycle out
- (b) wants to break out of its vicious cycle
- (c) wants to break off its vicious cycle
- (d) wants to brake of the vicious cycle
- (e) None of the Above

**Q37.** Enough safeguards have been put in place to ensure that **private colleges desist its manipulation** during self-certification.

- (a) private colleges desist the manipulation
- (b) private colleges desist of manipulation
- (c) private colleges desist from manipulation
- (d) private colleges desist manipulation
- (e) None of the Above

**Q38.** When I **could have no more bear my hunger**, a woman started rocking my bed with a string tied to it.

- (a) could not bear my hunger any more
- (b) could no more bear my hunger
- (c) could not have more bear my hunger
- (d) Both (A) and (B)
- (e) All of the Above

**Q39.** The company had **to do away free lunches** in order to save money.

- (a) to do away from free lunches
- (b) to do away with free lunches
- (c) to do with free lunches
- (d) to do away to free lunches
- (e) None of the Above

**Q40.** The certification body **must ensure that it allowed** the broadest possible spectrum of content to be viewed, policing only as much as is absolutely necessary.

- (a) must ensure that it allows
- (b) must assure that it has allowed
- (c) must insure that it allows
- (d) must have assure that it allowed
- (e) None of the Above

**Direction(41-50):** *In each of the following sentences, one part of the sentence is bold. Four alternatives are given against each sentence. You need to select the alternative which makes the sentence grammatically correct and meaningful.*

**Q41.** Fearing a similar scenario, **desperation efforts are being made** to stabilize the government in Madhya Pradesh.

- (a) desperate efforts being made
- (b) desperate efforts are being made
- (c) desperation efforts being made
- (d) No correction is required

**Q42.** For a month or so, most senior Congress leaders **kept pleading to Rahul** to stay on.

- (a) kept pleading with Rahul
- (b) kept pleading Rahul
- (c) kept pleading for Rahul
- (d) No correction is required

**Q43.** Senior leader, Karan Singh, **against with grain**, is openly expressing his revulsion at the messy state of affairs.

- (a) against grain
- (b) against for grain

- (c) against the grain
- (d) No correction is required

**Q44.** He has endorsed Mr. Singh's view that a young leader would be more suitable **to head the party on this critical juncture**.

- (a) to head party with this critical juncture
- (b) to head the party at this critical juncture
- (c) to head party on this critical juncture
- (d) No correction is required

**Q45.** The party might inevitably fall back on the Gandhis **in a bid resurrect itself**.

- (a) on a bid resurrect itself
- (b) in a bid to resurrect itself
- (c) on a bid to resurrect itself
- (d) No correction is required

**Q46.** Boosting livelihood in absence of industrialization **is the basic premises of Green Bonus**.

- (a) are the basic premises of Green Bonus
- (b) are the basic premise of Green Bonus

(c) is the basic premise of Green Bonus

(d) No correction is required

**Q47. What we are witnessing in contemporary India is the ultimate irony** – the might of majoritarianism; yet, the fear of minorities.

(a) witnessing the contemporary India is ultimate irony

(b) witnessing contemporary India is the ultimate irony

(c) witnessing inside contemporary India is ultimate irony

(d) No correction is required

**Q48. Why it is that the ruling regime** with such mind-boggling electoral victory is so insecure?

(a) Why is it ruling regime

(b) Why it is the ruling regime

(c) Why is it that the ruling regime

(d) No correction is required

**Q49. It is that the violence in the name of religion was hidden in our blood, and now it has got the right environment to manifest it with all its ugliness.**

(a) to manifest itself with all its ugliness

(b) to manifest it with all its ugliness

(c) to manifest itself with all its ugliness

(d) No correction is required

**Q50. If you are truly spiritual, or if you engage with the Ramayana, you would never be loud; you would never be hyper-dramatic to be prove that you are religious.**

(a) to be proved you are religious

(b) to prove that you are religious

(c) to be proved that you are religious

(d) No correction is required

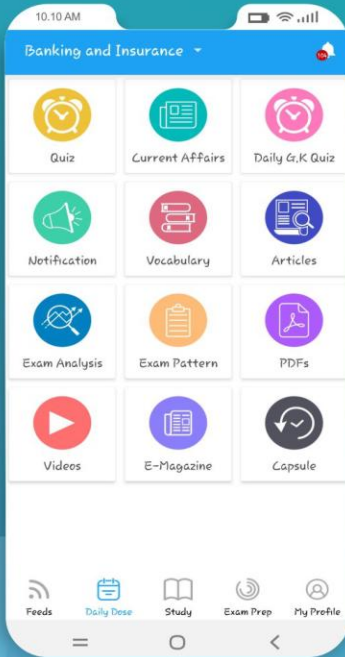
**ANSWER KEY:**

1. (a)	2. (d)	3. (b)	4. (d)	5. (c)
6. (a)	7. (d)	8. (d)	9. (a)	10.(a)
11.(c)	12.(a)	13.(b)	14.(a)	15.(d)
16.(b)	17.(d)	18.(c)	19.(b)	20.(d)
21.(d)	22.(e)	23.(b)	24.(a)	25.(a)
26.(b)	27.(c)	28.(a)	29.(d)	30.(e)
31.(c)	32.(e)	33.(b)	34.(c)	35.(a)
36.(b)	37.(c)	38.(d)	39.(b)	40.(a)
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46.(c)	47.(d)	48.(c)	49.(a)	50.(b)

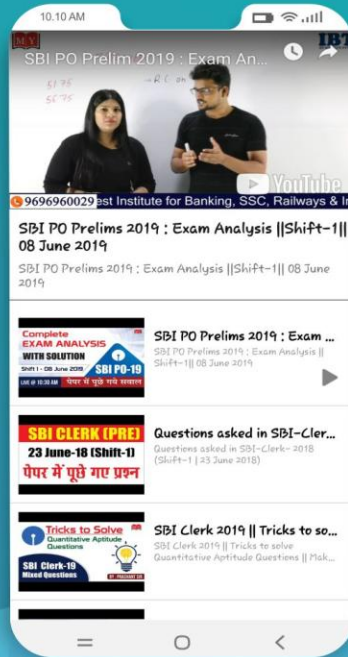


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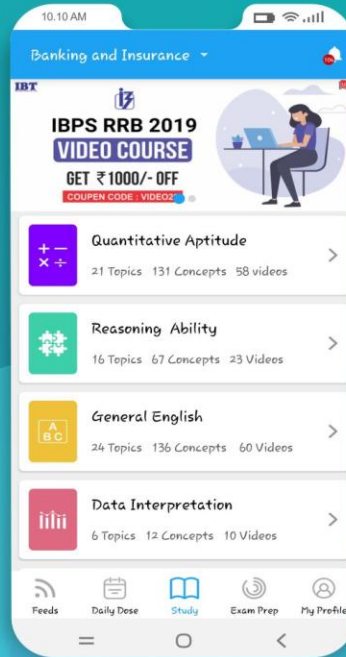
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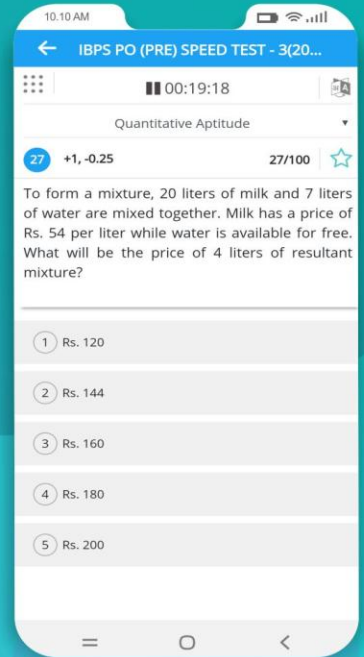
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