

GMAT Verbal Practice Practice 33

SET 1

1. With his sub-four minute mile Bannister broke a psychological barrier, inspiring thousands of others to attempt overcoming seemingly insurmountable hurdles.

- A. inspiring thousands of others to attempt overcoming
- B. inspiring thousands of others to attempt to overcome
- C. inspiring thousands of others to overcome
- D. and inspired thousands of others to attempt to overcome
- E. and inspired thousands of others to attempt overcoming

2. Ricks has written extensively on not only major figures in English poetry like Milton and Housman, but also on the lyrics of Bob Dylan.

- A. on not only major figures in English poetry like Milton, but also on
- B. not only on the poetry of such major figures as Milton and Housman, but also on
- C. not only on major figures in English poetry like Milton and Housman, but also on
- D. on major figures in English poetry like Milton and Housman, as well as
- E. on major figures in English poetry such as Milton and Housman, but also on

3. An analysis of sixteenth century probate inventories in the major English towns show that even some artisans and yeomen owned silver spoons, cups or salt cellars.

- A. show that even some artisans and yeomen owned silver spoons, cups or
- B. show that some artisans and yeomen even owned silver spoons, cups or
- C. show that even some artisans and yeomen owned silver spoons, cups and
- D. shows that some artisans and yeomen owned even silver spoons, cups and
- E. shows that even some artisans and yeomen owned silver spoons, cups or

4. Stress-induced amnesia is a rare phenomenon; it strikes the patient apparently without warning and the memory loss can be as complete as that induced by physical trauma.

- A. as complete as that induced by physical trauma
- B. as complete as is induced by physical trauma
- C. as least as complete as physical trauma induces
- D. at least as complete as physical trauma
- E. just as complete as those induced by physical trauma

5. The publishers, unwilling to shoulder the entire risk, insisted that the author should pay half the cost of the initial print run of his controversial new book.

- A. The publishers, unwilling to shoulder the entire risk, insisted that the author should pay half the cost of the initial print run of his controversial new book.
- B. The publishers, unwilling to shoulder the entire risk, insisted that the author should be paying half the cost of the initial print run of the author's controversial new book.
- C. The publishers, unwilling to shoulder the entire risk, insisted that the author pay half the cost of the initial print run of his controversial new book.
- D. Unwilling to shoulder the entire risk, the publishers insisted the author should pay half the cost of the initial print run of his controversial new book.
- E. Unwilling to shoulder the entire risk, the author was required by the publisher to pay half the cost of the initial print run of his controversial new book.

6. It is probable that the prototype cellular motor might be ready for testing around the end of next year.

- A. might be ready for testing around the end of next year
- B. may be ready for testing about he end of next year
- C. might be ready for testing toward next year's end
- D. will be ready for testing toward the end of next year

E. should be ready for testing toward the end of next year

## SET 2

1. Making use of contemporary diaries and letters, Florey's complexity is brilliantly revealed by Lax.

A. Florey's complexity is brilliantly revealed by Lax

B. Florey is brilliantly shown in all his complexity by Lax

C. Lax brilliantly reveals Florey's complexity

D. Lax brilliantly revealed the complexity of Florey

E. Lax's study has brilliantly revealed the complexity of Florey

2. One of the perennial problems of the tourist industry is that of fitting what people want to see into the time they have available to see it in.

A. that of fitting what people want to see into the time they have available to see it in

B. fitting what people want to see into the time they have available

C. that of fitting what people want to see in the time which they have available

D. fitting what people want to see in the time they have available for seeing

E. the need to fit what people want to see into the available time for seeing

3. If the engineering feats of that early decade remains impressive ♦ boring a mile-long tunnel through a solid mountain, and turning the eastward flow of two rivers westward ♦ the arduous conditions in which the engineers worked are no less remarkable.

A. If the engineering feats of that early decade remains impressive ♦ boring

B. If the engineering feats of that early decade remains impressive ♦ such as the boring of

C. Although the engineering feats of that early decade remains impressive ♦ boring

D. If the feats of engineering in that early decade remains impressive ♦ boring

E. If the engineering feats of that early decade remain impressive ♦ boring

4. The United Nations ♦ Human Development Index takes into account life expectancy, education, as well as income per person.

A. into account life expectancy, education, as well as income per person

B. life expectancy, education, as well as income per person into account

C. into account life expectancy and education, as well as income per person

D. into account life expectancy, and education, and income per person

E. life expectancy, education, and income per person in its account

5. Early 16th Century moralist philosophers, particularly in France and England, regarded Machiavelli ♦s *The Prince* as a collection of cynical precepts for tyrants, and not until the 17th Century was the view of Machiavelli as a teacher of evil questioned by philosophers.

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B. Machiavelli ♦s *The Prince* was regarded as a collection of cynical precepts for tyrants by early 16th Century moralist philosophers, particularly in France and England, and not until the 17th Century did philosophers question the view of him as a teacher of evil.

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6. The psychologist reported that the most common problems undergraduates experience stem from a lack of self-esteem, difficulty in adjusting to university life and loneliness.

A. the most common problems undergraduates experience stem from a lack of self-esteem, difficulty in adjusting to university life and loneliness

B. the most common problems undergraduates experienced stemmed from a lack of self-esteem, difficulty in adjusting to university life and loneliness

C. the most common problems undergraduates experience stem from loneliness, a lack of self-esteem, and difficulty in adjusting to university life

D. the most common problem undergraduates have experienced stems from a lack of self-esteem, loneliness, and difficulty in adjusting to university life

E. the most common problems undergraduates had experienced stem from difficulty in adjusting to university life, lack of self-esteem, and loneliness