

GMAT Sentence Correction Practice Test 7

1. The ocean, a beautiful deep blue hue in the light and in stretching as far as the eye could see, beckoned the adventurer to set sail on its water in search of what lay beyond the horizon.

(A) a beautiful deep blue hue in the light and in stretching as far as the eye could see

(B) a beautiful deep blue hue in the light and a stretch as far as the eye could see

(C) a beautiful deep blue hue in the light and stretching as far as the eye could see

(D) a beautiful deep blue hue in the light and stretches as far as the eye could see

(E) a beautiful deep blue hue in the light and being stretched as far as the eye could see

2. In the 1970's an elite preschool in New York City had approximately 150 applications per year, and by the 1990's, this number rose to 3,000.

A. this number rose

B. the number had risen

C. the amount had risen

D. this number was raised

E. the number of applications had risen

3. It has been estimated that the annual cost of water and utilities to greater than 50 percent of the homeowners in Santa Rosa is at least 148 dollars per capita per year.

A. the annual cost of water and utilities to greater than 50 percent of the homeowners in Santa Rosa is at least 148 dollars per capita per year

B. the annual cost of water and utilities for more than 50 percent of the Santa Rosa homeowners is at least 148 dollars per capita per year

C. the annual cost of water and utilities to more than 50 percent of the homeowners in Santa Rosa is at least 148 dollars per capita

D. the cost of water and utilities for greater than 50 percent of the homeowners in Santa Rosa is at least 148 dollars per capita per year

E. at least 148 dollars per capita per year is the cost annually of water and utilities for more than 50 percent of Santa Rosa homeowners

4. To speak habitually of the “truly needy” is gradually instilling the notion that many of those who are just called “needy” actually have adequate resources; such a conclusion is unwarranted.

(A) To speak habitually of the “truly needy” is gradually instilling the notion

(B) To speak habitually of the “truly needy” is instilling the notion gradually

(C) To speak habitually of the “truly needy” is gradually to instill the notion

(D) Speaking habitually of the “truly needy” is to instill the gradual notion

(E) Speaking habitually of the “truly needy” is instilling the gradual notion

5. A recent study has cited overcomplexity, increasing worker mobility between companies, and poor financial planning in estimating that fewer than half of eligible American workers had contributed the maximum amount to their employer-offered retirement plans.

(A) A recent study has cited overcomplexity, increasing worker mobility between companies, and poor financial planning in estimating that fewer than half of eligible American workers had contributed the maximum amount to their employer-offered retirement plans.

(B) Overcomplexity, increasing worker mobility between companies, and poor financial planning have been cited by a recent study that estimated that over half of eligible American workers do not contribute the maximum amount to their employer-offered retirement plans.

(C) Citing overcomplexity, increasing mobility of workers between companies, and poor financial planning, less than half of eligible American workers had contributed the maximum amount to their employer-offered retirement plans, a recent study estimates.

(D) A recent study of American workers, citing overcomplexity, increasing mobility of workers between companies, and poor financial planning, has estimated that fewer than half of eligible American workers had contributed the maximum amount to their employer-offered retirement plans.

(E) Citing overcomplexity, increasing mobility of workers between companies, and poor financial planning, a recent study has estimated that fewer than half of eligible American workers contribute the maximum amount to their employer-offered retirement plans.

6. According to one study, even with an electron microscope, it can be quite difficult to distinguish between the fingerprints of a koala and a human.

- (A) it can be quite difficult to distinguish between the fingerprints of a koala and a human
- (B) can it be quite difficult to distinguish between the fingerprints of a koala and those of a human
- (C) it can be quite difficult distinguishing between a koala's fingerprints from a human's
- (D) distinguishing between the fingerprints of a koala and those of a human can be quite difficult
- (E) it could be quite difficult, distinguishing the fingerprints of a koala from a human

7. A new study has found that college students had been more involved in on-campus political activities during the last few years than at any time in the past two decades.

- A. had been more involved in on-campus political activities during the last few years than at any time
- B. had been more involved in on-campus political activities during the last few years than at any other time
- C. have been more involved in on-campus political activities during the last few years than at any other time
- D. have been more involved in on-campus political activities during the last few years than at any time
- E. are more involved in on-campus political activities during the last few years as compared to any other time

8. The ordinance is intended to force householders to separate such hazardous waste like pesticides, batteries, fertilizers, and oil-based paints from the general stream of household trash.

- (A) to separate such hazardous waste like
- (B) that they should separate such hazardous waste like
- (C) separating such hazardous wastes as
- (D) that they should separate such hazardous wastes as
- (E) to separate such hazardous wastes as

9. A little under a million years ago, the briny waters of the Baltic Sea began flooding into the cold North Atlantic: geologists are still debating whether the flood was gradual or created a cataclysm.

- (A) whether the flood was gradual or created a cataclysm
- (B) if the flood was gradual or created a cataclysm

(C) about whether the flood was gradual or cataclysmic

(D) whether the flood was gradual or cataclysmic

(E) whether the flood was gradual or it created a cataclysm

10. In the mid-1920's the Hawthorne Works of the Western Electric Company was the scene of an intensive series of experiments that would investigate changes in working conditions as to their effects on workers' performance.

(A) that would investigate changes in working conditions as to their effects on workers' performance

(B) investigating the effects that changes in working conditions would have on workers' performance

(C) for investigating what are the effects in workers' performance that changes in working conditions would cause

(D) that investigated changes in working conditions' effects on workers' performance

(E) to investigate what the effects changes in working conditions would have on workers' performance