

VERB PRACTICE SHEET

Q1. Before the main concert began, (a)/ the singer sung (b)/ a couple of old folk songs to warm up the crowd. (c)/ No error (d)

Q2. The unexpected decision by the principal (a)/ was surprised (b)/ all the students and the teachers present at the event. (c)/ No error (d)

Q3. The entire cost of the wedding celebration (a)/ was born (b)/ by the bride's parents. (c)/ No error (d)

Q4. The ancient texts regarded (a)/ the sun the primary source of all life (b)/ and energy on the earth. (c)/ No error (d)

Q5. After the exhausting football match, (a)/ the player laid (b)/ on the grass to recover his strength. (c)/ No error (d)

Q6. The speaker's emotional story managed to rouse deep sympathy among the audience, and many were seen wiping their tears as he continued.

- (a) The speaker's emotional story managed to
- (b) rouse deep sympathy among the audience,
- (c) and many were seen wiping their tears
- (d) No error

Q7. Despite repeated reminders from the accounting department, (a)/ the branch manager did not paid (b)/ the quarterly utility bills (c)/ No error (d)

Q8. During the sudden inspection conducted by the health ministry, (a)/ a significant number of expired food items (b)/ was finding in the main storage facility of the restaurant. (c)/ No error (d)

Q9. Before the children left for the playground after breakfast, (a)/ their mother instructed them to lie (b)/ all their soiled clothes carefully into the laundry basket. (c)/ No error (d)

Q10. Before the passengers could board the aircraft, (a)/ they had to confirm that their luggage was correctly tagged (b)/ for the flight bounded for Paris. (c)/ No error (d)

Q11. Despite the initial objections from several members of the board, (a)/ they eventually decided to consider her as (b)/ the primary candidate for the prestigious fellowship. (c)/ No error (d)

Q12. While the scientists were performing the delicate experiment, (a)/ they clearly felt (b)/ a distinct ringing sound coming from the high-frequency magnetron placed nearby. (c)/ No error (d)

Q13. During the quarterly financial review, the CEO warned that (a)/ their biggest competitor would take over (b)/ them in terms of global market share by the end of the year. (c)/ No error (d)

Q14. The ostensibly transparent mechanism (1)/ for employee feedback (2)/ paradoxically obfuscating (3)/ all channels of genuine expression. (4) [Phase 13]

Q15. Had he been knowing (1)/ about the regulatory changes (2)/ he would not have proceeded (3)/ with the merger deal. (4) [Phase 13]

Q16. He made a quick shower before heading to the office. [Steno 2025]
 (a) quick (b) shower
 (c) before (d) made

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Q17. The teacher advised to listen attentively.

[Steno 2025]

- (a) to listen attentively (b) No error
(c) The teacher (d) advised

Q18. She does not know to swim.

[Steno 2025]

- (a) She does not (b) know to swim
(c) swim (d) No error

Q19. The children swung happily (a)/ on the old tire hung from the tree (b)/ and laughed loudly (c)/ as the sun set in the evening.(d)

Q20. The magistrate asked the accused what was he doing with his hand in the gentleman's pocket.

- (a) in the gentleman's pocket
(b) with his hand
(c) what was he doing
(d) The magistrate asked

Q21. The heavy rainfall and sudden drop in temperature (a)/ could effect not only (b)/ the crop yields but also the transportation of goods. (c)/ No error (d)

Q22. While I was preparing for my presentation in the library, (a)/ I suddenly listened to (b)/ a loud, unexpected crash from the upper floor. (c)/ No error (d)

Q23. The students who were prepared (a)/ the presentation on sustainable energy (b)/ were praised by the principal during the assembly. (c)/ No error (d)

Q24. Before the guests arrived for the evening party, (a)/ the homeowner carefully hanged (b)/ all the new curtains in the drawing room. (c)/ No error (d)

Q25. While the tourist was walking through the dense jungle, (a)/ he suddenly wandered (b)/ how he would find his way back to the camp before sunset. (c)/ No error (d)

Q26. The reporter had to ask several probing questions (a)/ in order to illicit (b)/ a confession from the corrupt official about his hidden assets. (c)/ No error (d)

Q27. When the temperature dropped suddenly, the water (a)/ got freeze inside the pipes and (b) /caused them to burst, which (c) /resulted in heavy damage to the building.(d)

Q28. The traffic signal on the main highway intersection (a)/ suddenly malfunctioned last evening, and several collisions were occurred (b)/ within a span of just fifteen minutes. (c)/ No error (d)

Q29. During the sudden thunderstorm, the villagers fled to higher ground to avoid the rapidly rising water and waited anxiously until the rain stopped.

- (a) No error
(b) fled to higher ground
(c) to avoid the rapidly rising water
(d) until the rain stopped

Q30. I trust him a lot because he (a)/ has always and will (b)/ support me in future too(c)/. No error (d)

Q31. The captain carefully examined (a) / the sunk ship (b) / at the bottom of the bay, hoping to recover some valuables. (c) / No error (d)

Q32. During the storm, the river overflowed (a) / its banks and flooded (b) / several nearby villages, causing extensive damage. (c) / No error (d)

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Q33. She asked to him (a) / to explain the procedure clearly (b) / before starting the experiment. (c) / No error(d)

Q34. The mechanic warned the driver that the front right wheel of the truck was very lose and needed immediate tightening to prevent an accident.

- (a) very losing (b) very loose
(c) too loss (d) No substitution required

Q35. The lionesses, after a long and exhausting chase across the savanna, usually prey on the slowest member of the herd to conserve their energy.

- (a) pray (b) preys
(c) praise (d) No substitution required

Q36. The main speech of the political leader at the massive rally were telecasted live on all major news channels last night.

- (a) were telecast (b) was telecasted
(c) was telecast (d) No substitution required

Q37. Dr. Harris welcomed the members of the committee and went on ____ the subject of the meeting. [IB ACIO 2025]

- (a) to enjoy (b) to live
(c) to admire (d) to introduce

Q38. The chief guest stepped onto the stage and began waiving vigorously to the huge crowd gathered at the convention center.

- (a) to waive (b) waving
(c) waging (d) No substitution required

Q39. The intern should take a right choice in choosing the right job for her.

- (a) rake a right choice
(b) make a right choice
(c) fix a right choice
(d) take the right choice

Q40. The teacher described about the historical events of the revolution in detail during the lecture.

- (a) described the historical events
(b) described over the historical events
(c) described on the historical events
(d) No improvement required

Q41. The businessman is owning multiple companies across Asia, and he is believing that his investments will continue to grow despite the market fluctuations.

- (a) owns; believes
(b) is owning; is believing
(c) has owned; is believing
(d) was owning; believed

Q42. It is the responsibility of all of us to invest time and effort in verifying information and not follow victim to fake news.

- (a) not following victim (b) not falls victim
(c) No improvement (d) not fall victim

Q43. Preparing children for uncertainties keeps them in readiness to face challenges.

- (a) keeps them for readiness
(b) keep them ready
(c) No improvement required
(d) keep them to be ready

Q44. Despite her busy schedule, she _____ to complete all the household chores and _____ for the cleaning service to come in the following week. [IB ACIO 2025]

- (a) insured; ensure (b) ensured; insure
(c) arranged; manage (d) managed; arrange

Q45. You _____ take a break if you feel tired; working continuously is harmful to your health.

- (a) ought to (b) need
(c) should have (d) might

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Q46. He realized that his reckless driving (a)/ should have been (b)/ the cause of that serious accident. (c)/ No error (d)

Q47. Even if the heavy fog continues all through the night, (a)/ the rescue team will ready (b)/ to begin the search operation early in the morning. (c)/ No error (d)

Q48. She said that she can finish (a) / the project before the deadline (b) / if she got enough support from her team. (c) / No improvement required (d)

Q49. After we receive the advanced payment for the consignment, (a)/ the client need not to worry (b)/ about any further financial formalities until the final delivery. (c)/ No error (d)

Q50. This retired couple has now become (a) used to walk (b)/ ten kilometers every morning. (c)/ No error (d)

Q51. I will inform you immediately should (a) he arrives late for the meeting (b) tomorrow morning. (c) No error(d)

Q52. During my college days in Bangalore, (a)/ I used to woke up (b)/ very early to catch the first bus to the university campus every single morning. (c)/ No error (d)

Q53. Even with all the evidence against Roshan, (a)/ no one dare believe (b)/ that he could commit such a heinous crime. (c)/ No error (d)

Q54. Whenever the weather changes suddenly, (a)/ the old gardener uses to

complain (b)/ about severe pain in his knee joints. (c)/ No error (d)

Q55. If the security guard had not arrived on time, (a)/ the thieves might stole (b)/ all the valuables from the safe last night. (c)/ No error (d)

Q56. I never expected that Rohan, my best friend would (a)/ leave me in lurch like this and (b)/ then do not even apologise.(c)/ no error (d)

Q57. When I was a child, I would play (a) / in the fields every evening (b) / and with my friends. (c) / No error (d)

Q58. Riya should go (a) / to the doctor earlier / when she noticed the persistent cough, / but she ignored it for weeks. (b) / No error(c)

Q59. Despite the recent increase in funding, the local community center still needs collect more resources to run its adult literacy program effectively throughout the year.

(a) need to collect (b) needs to collect
(c) need collecting (d) No substitution

Q60. I assure you that the developers can be able to complete the coding module within the next two working days without fail.

(a) will be able to complete
(b) can able to complete
(c) could be able to complete
(d) No substitution required

ANSWERS

1. Ans (b) Use 'sang' or 'had sung' instead of sung.

Note :- prefer 'sang'

2. Ans (b) Replace was surprised with surprised.

3. Ans (b) Use 'borne' in place of 'born'.

4. Ans (b) Use 'regarded as the' instead of 'regarded the'.

5. Ans (b) Use 'lay' in place of 'laid'.

6. Ans. (b) replace rouse with arouse

7. Ans (b) Use 'did not pay' instead of 'did not paid'.

8. Ans (c) Use 'were found' instead of 'was finding'.

9. Ans (b) Use 'lay' in place of 'lie'.

10. Ans (c) Use 'bound' in place of 'bounded'.

11. Ans (b) Remove 'as'.

12. Ans (b) Use 'heard' in place of 'felt'.

13. Ans (b) Use 'overtake' in place of 'take over'

14. Ans (3) Use 'obfuscates' or 'is obfuscating' instead of obfuscating

15. Ans (a) Use 'known' in place of 'been knowing'.

16. Ans (d) Use 'took' in place of 'made'.

17. Ans (a) to listen attentively

Use 'listening attentively' in place of 'to listen attentively'.

18. Ans (b) know to swim

Use 'how to swim' in place of 'to swim'.

19. Ans (a) Replace swung with swung

20. Ans. (c) what was he doing.

In indirect questions, the subject comes before the verb. The correct structure is "what he was doing" instead of "what was he doing."

21. Ans (b) Use 'affect' in place of 'effect'.

22. Ans (b) Use 'heard' in place of 'listened to'.

23. Ans (a) Remove 'were'.

24. Ans (b) Use 'hung' in place of 'hanged'.

25. Ans (b) Use 'wondered' in place of 'wandered'.

26. Ans (b) Use 'elicit' in place of 'illicit'.

27. Ans. (b) replace got freeze with got frozen

28. Ans (b) Use 'occurred' instead of 'were occurred'.

29. Ans. (b) replace fled with fled

30. Ans (b) Use "has always supported and will support" instead of "has always and will support."

31. Ans (b) Replace sunk with sunken

32. Ans. (a) replace overflow with overflowed

33. Ans. (a) remove to

34. Ans (b) very loose

35. Ans (d)

36. Ans (c) was telecast

37. Ans (d)

38. Ans (b) waving

39. Ans (b) make a right choice.

40. Ans. (a)

41. Ans. (a) owns; believes.

42. Ans. (d) not fall victim.

The correct form is "not fall victim to fake news". "Fall victim to" means to be harmed or deceived by something.

43. Ans (c)

44. Ans (d)

45. Ans (a)

46. Ans (b) Use 'could' in place of 'should'.

47. Ans (b) Use 'will be ready' in place of 'will ready'.

48. Ans (a) replace can with could

49. Ans (b) Use 'need not worry' in place of 'need not to worry'.

50. Ans (b) Use 'used to walking' in place of 'used to walk'.

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51. Ans (b) Use 'arrive' in place of 'arrives'.

52. Ans (b) Use 'used to wake up' instead of 'used to woke up'.

53. Ans (b) Use 'dares to believe' in place of 'dare believe'.

54. Ans (b) Use 'complains' in place of 'uses to complain'.

55. Ans (b) Use 'might have stolen' instead of 'might stole'.

56. Ans (c) Remove 'do'

57. Ans (d) no error

58. Ans. (a) – use 'should have gone' instead of 'should go'

59. Ans (b) needs to collect

60. Ans. (a) will be able to complete