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High-Frequency Grammar Fixes for India Learners: Tense, Articles, and Agreement

Medium | B1 | Intermediate | B2 | Upper Intermediate | Article | Comparative and superlative | Countable and uncountable | Determiner | Noun | Past tense | Phrase | Present tense | Subject | Verb | Verb tense | Perfect tense | Progressive tense | Simple tense

1. Step into the shoes of a dramatic home makeover show host. Select the correct option for each blank to finalize your script for today's episode.

Welcome back! One of my best _____ is designing the new living room for our lucky winners. She believes that the modern _____ we ordered will completely transform the space. However, each of the decorators _____ to paint the walls a completely different shade of neon pink. This is going to be a disaster!

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

A) friends
B) friend
C) friend's

Blank 2

A) furniture
B) furnitures
C) piece of furnitures

Blank 3

A) wants
B) want
C) are wanting

2. Complete the apologetic friend's text message explaining why they missed the big celebration. Select ALL the grammatically correct sentences that apply.

Select all that apply.

A) I didn't know the party was starting so early!
B) I didn't knew the party was starting so early!
C) I did not realize you were expecting me at six.
D) I didn't realized you were expecting me at six.

3. Complete the wise wizard's tutorial dialogue for the new adventurer by choosing the correct phrase for each blank.

Before you face the dragon, let me give you _____. If you plan on working as _____, you will need patience, courage, and a suspiciously large sword.

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

A) some advice
B) an advice
C) advices

Blank 2

A) a mercenary
B) mercenary
C) an mercenary

4. Choose the correct phrase to complete the tech support agent's helpful email.

Dear Mrs. Higgins, I would like to offer you ___ regarding your mysteriously blinking toaster.

Select one.

- **A)** an advice
- **B)** some advices
- **C)** some advice
- **D)** one advice

5. Fill in the blanks to help the office manager send a polite but firm email to the team.

Please note that the new office equipment _____ extremely fragile. Furthermore, one of the new _____ has already jammed because someone tried to print a sandwich recipe on cardboard.

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- **A)** is
- **B)** are
- **C)** were

Blank 2

- **A)** printers
- **B)** printer
- **C)** printer's

6. Help Captain Comet fix a grammatical error on his superhero resume by choosing the correct verb tense.

I ___ the city from a giant robotic squirrel in 2019, which proves my excellent crisis management skills.

Select one.

- **A)** had saved
- **B)** have saved
- **C)** saved
- **D)** was saved

7. Help Detective Barnaby finalize his rather confusing case notes by choosing the correct verb for each blank.

Even though we are interrogating him right now, the suspect insists he _____ nothing about the missing diamonds. Furthermore, he stated that he did not _____ anyone enter the vault last night.

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- **A)** knows
- **B)** is knowing
- **C)** has known

Blank 2

- **A)** see
- **B)** saw
- **C)** seeing

8. A professional is updating their LinkedIn summary to attract recruiters. Help them choose flawless sentences for their profile. Select ALL the grammatically correct options.

Select all that apply.

- **A)** I am a software engineer with five years of experience.
- **B)** I am software engineer with five years of experience.
- **C)** I work as a project manager in the IT industry.
- **D)** I work as project manager in IT industry.

9. Listen to Priya dish out the gossip about her disastrous date! Choose the best word for each gap to complete her story.

Let me give you some _____ about dating amateur chefs. I thought we would have a relaxing evening, but he spent the entire dinner complaining about _____. It was definitely not _____ culinary experience of my life, but at least the dessert was free!

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- **A)** advice
- **B)** advices
- **C)** an advice

Blank 2

- **A)** work
- **B)** the work
- **C)** a work

Blank 3

- **A)** the best
- **B)** a best
- **C)** best

10. Help the detective write her official suspect report without any embarrassing grammar mistakes! Select ALL the sentences that are grammatically correct.

Select all that apply.

- **A)** One of the suspects is hiding in the bakery.
- **B)** One of the suspect is hiding in the bakery.
- **C)** One of the suspects are hiding in the bakery.
- **D)** One of the bakers is acting very suspiciously.

11. Help our nervous applicant, Rahul, proofread his post-interview thank you email. Select the correct option for each blank.

Dear Hiring Manager,

Thank you for chatting with me today. As we discussed, I _____ from university in 2021 with a degree in design. I _____ that this role requires late shifts, and I am fully prepared to take them on. I look forward to hearing from you soon!

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- **A)** graduated
- **B)** have graduated
- **C)** was graduating

Blank 2

- **A)** understand
- **B)** am understanding
- **C)** have been understanding

12. Help the game show host announce the contestant's situation by choosing the correct verb form.

Even though time is running out, Rahul looks perfectly calm because he ___ exactly how to solve the puzzle.

Select one.

- **A)** is knowing
- **B)** knows
- **C)** has been knowing
- **D)** was knowing