

**Directions:** The sentences below may or may not contain an error that violates the standard rules of using verb tenses, adjectives, adverbs, prepositions, parallelism, subject-verb agreement, pronoun-antecedent agreement, etc. Choose which of the underlined word(s) or phrases contain an error or need to be replaced to make the sentence correct. Choose 'E' if the sentence contains no error.

1. (A) Although the student body (B) continue to get smaller, the superintendent (C) insists that the high school (D) is thriving. (E) No error.

2. The (A) strangely distorted, colorful pictures by Picasso (B) has received much attention (C) not only from the critics, (D) but also from the general public. (E) No error.

3. (A) Everyone (B) who plans (C) to attend the senior retreat (D) need to pack appropriate camping supplies. (E) No error.

4. Sheila (A) attended the Asian Institute of Management (AIM), which (B) was in Legazpi Village (C) in Makati. (D) No error.

5. Carlos (A) did not want to go to the Frost Daze Dance, (B) nevertheless, his friends (C) convinced him to attend the once-in-a-lifetime event, and he also knew his grandmamma (D) wanted him to socialize more. (E) No error.

6. The *Grapes of Wrath* (A) are one of my favorite (B) books, but I (C) preferred the original black-and-white movie (D) when I saw it a couple years ago. (E) No error.

7. Yesterday was my friend's (A) birthday, so I decided to (B) surprise her with a bouquet of early spring flowers that (C) I planted and (D) had nurtured in my own garden. (E) No error.

8. (A) A number of criminals in Cebu City (B) remains at large and (C) continue to transgress the law with wanton (D) impunity. (E) No error.

9. The Bible says that the wicked (A) flee though no one (B) pursue, but the righteous (C) are as bold (D) as a lion. (E) No error.
10. The (A) widower tries with all (B) her might to (C) soothe the (D) children's fears and sorrows. (E) No error.
11. All states (A) impose severe (B) penalties on drivers who do not stop when (C) he or she is (D) involved in accidents. (E) No error.
12. If he (A) had begun (B) earlier, he might have succeeded (C) in finishing the (D) extremely complex project before the deadline. (E) No error.
13. Originally a (A) protest on (B) conventional painting, the Pre-Raphaelite movement (C) exerted great influence on the art (D) of its time. (E) No error.
14. (A) After hours of futile debate, the committee has decided (B) to postpone further discussion (C) of the resolution until (D) their next meeting. (E) No error.
15. The right to an (A) adequate education, like the right (B) to play and recreation, (C) are outlined in the United Nations Convention (D) on the Rights of the Child. (E) No error.
16. (A) Only the chairman of the board, (B) not his fellow board members, (C) reports to the President of the company (D) once a month. (E) No error.
17. The students (A) have discovered that (B) they can address issues more effectively (C) through letter-writing campaigns (D) and not through public demonstrations. (E) No error.



**Verbal Ability  
Practice Questions**

**Set 1:  
*Identifying Errors***

18. At the music recital, Alexandra (A) enjoyed listening to her friend Mohammed's insightful interpretation, (B) which she thought was (C) more sophisticated (D) than the other performers. (E) No error.
19. The board (A) reviewing the courses offered by the college (B) found that the quality of academic programs (C) were generally good but (D) somewhat uneven. (E) No error.
20. Maude Adams, after her spectacular (A) triumph as the original Peter Pan, (B) went about (C) heavy veiled and was accessible to (D) only a handful of intimate friends. (E) No error.



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