EXERCISE 49: Sentences—Point of View

In some sentences in the Structure Section of the Paper-Based TOEFL, you will be asked to identify errors in point of view. Point of view is the relationship between the verb in the main clause of a sentence and other verbs, or between the verbs in a sentence and the adverbs that express time. Choose the correct answer in the incomplete sentences. Choose the incorrect word or phrase in the underlined choices.

1. Although there <u>are</u> (A) <u>approximately</u> (B) 120 intensive language institutes <u>in</u> (C) the United States in 1970, there are more than <u>four times as many</u> (D) now.

2. Cartographers cannot make an accurate map because the political situation in many areas changes <u>so</u> (A) rapidly that they <u>were</u> (B) not able <u>to draw</u> (C) the boundaries <u>correctly</u> (D).

3. Although Emily Dickinson <u>publishes</u> (A) <u>only</u> (B) three of her verses before she died, today there <u>are</u> (C) <u>more than</u> (D) one thousand of her poems printed in many important collections.

4. Dew <u>usually</u> (A) <u>disappeared</u> (B) <u>by</u> (C) seven o'clock <u>in the morning</u> (D) when the sun comes up.

5. Before the 1800s, when William Young made different shoes for right and left feet, shoes _____ on either foot.
   - (A) can wear
   - (B) are wearing
   - (C) could be worn
   - (D) worn

6. Seven months before the <u>stock</u> (A) market crashed <u>in</u> (B) 1929, President Hoover said that the economy of the nation <u>is</u> (C) <u>secure</u> (D).

7. In the Middle Ages, the word "masterpiece" referred to a work that _____ by a journeyman in order to qualify as a master artisan.
   - (A) completed
   - (B) is completed
   - (C) was completed
   - (D) complete

8. <u>Most</u> (A) archaeologists agree that humans <u>are living</u> (B) in the area around Philadelphia <u>for</u> (C) <u>about</u> (D) twelve thousand years.

9. Although we once thought that Saturn <u>has</u> (A) only seven rings, we now know that <u>it</u> (B) has hundreds of rings <u>extending</u> (C) for thousands of <u>miles</u> (D).

10. Before his death in 1943, in an effort to encourage less dependence on one crop by the South, George Washington Carver _____ for developing hundreds of industrial uses for peanuts and sweet potatoes.
    - (A) has responsibility
    - (B) were responsibility
    - (C) is responsible
    - (D) was responsible

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