

The holiday might have been cheaper, but at least we were fortunate with the weather.

- A) We didn't realize the holiday would be so cheap, and the climate was nice, too.
- B) We can be thankful that the weather was good, although the holiday was a little expensive.
- C) The holiday should have been less expensive as we hardly had any nice weather.
- D) Due to the poor weather, the price of the holiday should have been reduced.
- E) Despite the favourable weather, we still paid too much for the holiday.

I was amazed that my ordinarily humourless boss could come up with such a hilarious joke.

- A) It was so uncharacteristic of my boss to tell a really funny joke that I was thoroughly surprised.
- B) My boss's jokes are usually funny, but this one was even funnier than usual.
- C) Since my boss has such a great sense of humour, I was astounded to hear him tell such a bad joke.
- D) If anyone can tell a good joke, then my normally stern and unsmiling boss can, too.
- E) The surprising thing about my boss is the way he can suddenly seem to have no sense of humour at all.

The fire must have been started on purpose; otherwise, it couldn't have caused so much damage.

- A) Once the blaze had begun, it spread quickly and did a lot of damage.
- B) If someone were to start a fire there, it could prove highly damaging.
- C) No one can say for sure how the fire broke out, but the harm it did is obvious.
- D) Seeing that it destroyed so many things, the fire can't have been accidental.
- E) The fire might have been very serious if nobody had tried to prevent it.

No one under eighteen is allowed in the club, and you will be no exception.

- A) The club is only for people over eighteen, so you might not be allowed in.
- B) If you are over eighteen, then it is legal for you to go into the club.
- C) No one in the club is under eighteen, but you are an exception.
- D) The rule that those under eighteen are forbidden from entering the club is applicable to you, too.
- E) Now that you are eighteen, you will be allowed in the club.

Native Americans have always struggled to protect their culture from the onslaught of Western influence.

- A) After the coming of Europeans to the New World, Native Americans fled west in order to preserve their culture.
- B) It is not easy to be a Native American living in a westernized world that offers no shelter from the difficulties of modern life.
- C) American Indians have been attacking Europeans for decades in the hopes of keeping their world unchanged.
- D) Millions of American Indians were slaughtered after the European invasion which followed their discovery of the continent.
- E) It has been an ongoing fight for the American Indians to keep their way of life from becoming westernized.

A quarter of all bird species in the world are known to have become extinct during the past two hundred years.

- A) It is estimated that one-fourth of all bird species will become extinct within the next two centuries.
- B) It is known that two centuries ago the number of birds living on the earth was 25% greater than it is today.
- C) It has been acknowledged that one-fourth of all bird species have ceased to exist over the last two centuries.
- D) We are likely to cause the extinction of one-fourth of all bird species during the next two hundred years.
- E) It is clear that we risk causing the extinction of 25% of all bird species during the next two centuries.

....., there's no way I would have made such a stupid decision.

- A) As I've never been known as the cleverest of people
- B) If I had known then as much as I know now
- C) Since I'm always making lots of careless mistakes
- D) I just couldn't decide whether I was doing the right thing
- E) Until you tell me everything I need to know about the case

Had the automobile not been invented,

- A) we won't be able to travel so far or so quickly
- B) I wonder what our lives would be like today
- C) how many people would have chosen to buy one
- D) petrol sources are rapidly running dry
- E) pollution will be less of a problem worldwide

I didn't want to share the house with her any more

- A) since the day I had a terrible quarrel with her
- B) as I had lost confidence in her following the last incident
- C) if she hadn't kept on treating me as if I were her maid
- D) unless she never picks up after herself and leaves the house in a mess
- E) provided she didn't listen to her music so loudly while I was studying

You should have no problem impressing potential employers at job interviews

- A) once you had decided to stop rebelling and wear a tie
- B) in case you forget to take your recommendation letters with you
- C) as long as you dress properly and appear confident
- D) provided that you did not arrive late for the appointment
- E) if only you had not worn that ridiculous Mickey Mouse tie

Whenever there is an international incident,

- A) powerful nations try to use it to their advantage
- B) the United Nations was not able to solve it
- C) few people have ever expected too much of the United Nations
- D) athletic competitions have certainly stimulated good-will between nations
- E) it also includes such music contests as Eurovision

Scientists are unable to predict accurately

- A) what caused the dinosaurs to become extinct
- B) how fast are the polar ice-caps melting
- C) when the volcano will erupt next
- D) how much of the rainforests will man destroy in the twenty-first century
- E) which is directly affected by the "hole" in the ozone layer

Research carried out recently suggests

- A) that one or two glasses of red wine every day is good for your heart
- B) which involved many well-known doctors and nutritionists
- C) to eat five small meals a day instead of three big ones
- D) so we can be sure that grape juice is the best nutrient for the brain
- E) as some people do not believe there can be any benefit in eating vegetables raw

What her bosses admire most about her

- A) she is so beautifully dressed at all times
- B) is the way she is always so organized
- C) I wish she would boast about herself less
- D) most of us wish we were a bit like her
- E) haven't prevented her from coming to work late