

STRUCTURE CHECK 10

Exercise 1. identify the sentence that is closest in meaning to the one given in ITALIC by circling A, B, C or D.

1. Clare told Colin not to worry about the dishes, as she was planning to do them when she arrived home.

- A. Though Colin was worried that he would have to do the dishes, Clare reassured him by saying that she would be doing them the moment she got home.
- B. Cohn was not especially worried about the dishes, as Clare had told him that she was going to do them as soon as she got home.
- C. Because Clare had the intention of washing the dishes upon coming home, she informed Colin that he should not bother himself with them.
- D. Clare arrived home and told Colin that he shouldn't worry about washing the dishes because it was her turn to do them.

2. Unless we are granted a visa soon, it will be too late for us to go to Belgium.

- A. We will have to delay our trip to Belgium for a short time while we are waiting for a visa.
- B. If we don't want to miss our chance to go to Belgium, we should apply for a visa soon.
- C. It is too late for us to go to Belgium, and anyway we still haven't been given a visa for the country.
- D. We must be given a visa shortly; otherwise, our chance to go to Belgium will have been lost.

3. The violence might have been provoked by the fans of the visiting team.

- A. It could have been the visiting team's supporters that set off the violence.
- B. There may have been some violence caused by the visiting team's fans.
- C. The supporters of the visiting team were probably provoked into being violent.
- D. The supporters of the visiting team were the people who began the violence.

4. If your electricity gets cut off, you can come and watch the Harry Potter film at my house.

- A. If you want to see the Harry Potter film, you had better come to my house, as your electricity is cut off.
- B. I would invite you to see the Harry Potter film at my house, but the electricity might be cut off.
- C. Unless you come to my house, you won't be able to watch the Harry Potter film due to the power cut.
- D. You may visit my house to watch the Harry Potter film, should there be a power cut in yours.

5. The fact that Man hardly works at all is likely to get him fired soon.

- A. It must be Allan's low level of work that he is being fired for.
- B. Allan works so little that they are thinking of firing him a short time from now.
- C. Allan may well lose his job before long as a result of his doing almost no work.
- D. It is known that Allan will lose his job soon, as he hasn't been doing any work.

6. It seemed to everyone that what Maria was trying to say was that she was no longer in love with Tyler.

- A. Everybody thought that her not being in love with Tyler anymore was the thing that Maria was attempting to express with her words.

B. Maria's attempt at saying that she and Tyler were no longer in love was what made everyone aware of how she actually felt.

C. As Maria was not in love with Tyler any longer, she decided that she ought to tell everyone about this.

D. Everyone had already guessed that Maria would attempt to tell them about her no longer being in love with Tyler, and she really did so.

7. The weather report on television has just announced that a severe snowstorm watch will be in effect until at least Monday.

A. By Monday, it seems that the television weather report will have observed the effects of the recent severe snowstorm.

B. It was said on the television weather report a short while ago that, until at least Monday, there is the possibility of a severe snowstorm.

C. Until Monday, according to a recent television weather report I've just watched, there was a severe snowstorm.

D. A severe snowstorm will affect the area until at least Monday, although the weather report on television will be monitoring it.

8. As soon as Kelly told him about the death of her dog, Puyi, Michael began to cry like a baby.

A. Michael started crying as a baby does immediately after Kelly informed him that her dog, Puyi, had died.

B. Michael heard about the death of Kelly's dog, Puyi, from Kelly herself, who was crying like a baby when she told him.

C. Puyi, Kelly's dog, died, and soon afterwards, Kelly told Michael, who started to cry like a baby at the news.

D. Crying like a baby, Kelly told Michael about the fact that her dog, Puyi, had just died.

9. I probably won't know until early next month whether or not the university's music program has accepted me.

A. It is most likely that the university will have accepted me into their music program before the beginning of next month.

B. Not before the beginning of next month will I find out if I have been accepted into the university's music program.

C. The university's music program has accepted me, but I probably won't be officially informed of this fact until early next month.

D. The music program at the university seems to have decided that I will not be accepted there until the beginning of next month.

10. Chester is not especially keen to go to the company's Christmas party, but I am, because there'll be free drinks.

A. What Chester doesn't like about going to the company Christmas party is the free drinks, but that's exactly what I like about it

B. Even though the company is providing free drinks at the Christmas party, I still haven't managed to persuade Chester to attend it together with me.

C. As the company Christmas party will have drinks for free, I'm excited about going there, though Chester isn't.

D. The free drinks are only one of the things that made me excited about going to the company's Christmas party, but Chester isn't excited at all.

11. You can withdraw money in many countries with ease if you have an ATM card.

- A. Thanks to your ATM card, you were able to take cash out easily in a lot of countries.
- B. If you use your ATM card, getting money from the bank in any country is simple,
- C. If you had an ATM card, you wouldn't have any difficulty getting money in so many countries.
- D. An ATM card enables you to take money out easily in a large number of countries.

12. It was possible that I would have to work on Saturday, so I didn't buy a ticket to the motorbike race.

- A. In case I didn't have the day off on Saturday, I didn't purchase a ticket to the motorcycle race.
- B. I didn't purchase a ticket for Saturday's motorbike race, because I had to work on that day.
- C. If I didn't have to work on Saturday, I would have got myself a ticket for the motorbike race.
- D. I was sure that I would need to work on Saturday, so I didn't buy a ticket for the motorcycle race.

13. You wouldn't have written such a good essay without the help of your sister.

- A. Although you had your sister's assistance, your essay turned out badly.
- B. Your essay turned out so well because your sister aided you.
- C. If you had asked for your sister's help, your essay would have been much better.
- D. Your essay was only good because you had your sister do it for you.

14. Celia regrets turning down the job offer in Portugal, now that she has been unemployed for several months.

- A. Celia hasn't been able to find a job yet, but she could agree to work in Portugal if she was offered the post.
- B. Even though Celia had been without work for a long time, she refused to work in Portugal.
- C. If the job didn't involve working in Portugal, Celia would be willing to take it, because she needs to work.
- D. Celia wishes she had accepted the job offer in Portugal, because she hasn't had a job for a couple of months now.

15. Unlike the managers, the workers don't continue to be given pay rises when the company is experiencing financial difficulties.

- A. It is only the workers, but not the managers, whose pay is kept at the same level when the company has financial problems.
- B. The managers won't get a pay rise during this financial crisis in the firm, but all of the workers will.
- C. Pay rises cannot be given to the workers by the management when the firm is in a financial crisis.
- D. The management doesn't like to give the workers a pay rise when the company is having financial problems.

16. I consider Ted's habit of smiling shyly to be his most charming feature.

- A. What is more charming for me about Ted than anything else is his shy smile.
- B. The most charming smile that I think I have ever seen is Ted's.
- C. The way that Ted smiles at me shyly makes me like him even more.
- D. I think Ted is more charming than other people because of his shy smile.

17. It is virtually impossible for beginning students of Turkish to comprehend certain words due to their length.

A. Many Turkish words are very long and cannot be pronounced easily by beginning students of the language.

B. Some Turkish words are so long that understanding them is barely possible for the beginning learner.

C. If a beginning Turkish student doesn't want to be discouraged, he or she should avoid learning long words at first.

D. Words in Turkish are generally so long that beginning students of the language fail to understand them completely.

18. May failed her exam because she didn't study hard enough for it.

A. Studying harder for her exam might have enabled May to do slightly better on it.

B. Even if May had studied harder for her exam, she would not have been able to pass it.

C. It is not certain that May could have passed her exam even if she had studied more for it.

D. Had May studied harder for her exam, she would have passed it.

19. Of the people asked, virtually all of them thought the president's criticisms were unfair.

A. Nearly everyone who was questioned believed that the criticisms the president made were not fair.

B. A great number of people were questioned about whether they considered the president's criticisms to be unfair.

C. Not everybody was certain if the president's criticisms had been unjust or not.

D. Not many people were asked, but those who were found the criticisms of the president unjust.

20. As we haven't enough money to go out this month, let's invite people to our home instead.

A. If it were not so expensive to go out, we would not have to have guests at our house this month.

B. Since going out is so expensive these days, it's a better idea to invite people over to one's house.

C. Going out will be too expensive for us this month, so I suggest we have guests over instead.

D. It is not worth going out this month, since it's cheaper to invite people to our house instead.

21. The head of the exploration team was too fatigued to continue, though Base camp was only 250 meters away.

A. With just a quarter of a kilometer left until base camp, the exploration team's leader did not have enough strength to go on.

B. The exploration team's leader was not strong enough to continue, despite Having only gone a quarter of a kilometer from base camp.

C. The person leading the exploration gave up because of weakness after going only 250 meters from base camp.

D. Although the exploration team had gone just 250 meters, the leader had so little energy that he had to give up and return to base camp.

22. In my whole life, nothing has fascinated me as much as woodcarving has been doing recently.

A. Woodcarving is such a fascinating activity that, for the first time in my life, I am actually enjoying doing something.

B. I am glad that I have taken up woodcarving, since nothing before has attracted my interest so much.

C. I have never been as interested in anything before as I am now in woodcarving.

D. I am really interested in woodcarving, and in fact I have rarely been as happy doing anything as I am doing it.

23. There is, in fact, less alcohol in beer than there is in wine, though the former's taste is more bitter.

A. Beer tastes much more bitter than wine because of its lower alcohol content.

B. Despite tasting less bitter, wine actually contains a higher amount of alcohol than beer does.

C. Although beer is not as good-tasting as wine, it is just as full of alcohol.

D. The more bitter taste of beer as compared with wine indicates that the former does not have as much alcohol as the latter.

24. The likelihood of suffering a heart attack rises as one becomes increasingly obese.

A. Anyone who is obese is likely to experience a heart attack at any time.

B. Heart attacks are happening more and more often, and most of the sufferers are obese.

C. Obesity results in only a slight increase in the probability of having a heart attack.

D. The more obese one is, the higher the chances for a heart attack become.

25. This book is probably the most boring one that I have ever read.

A. I would never have guessed that this book would be so terribly dull.

B. Many other books that I have read have been as uninteresting as this one.

C. It is very likely that every other book I have read in my life is more interesting than this one.

D. A number of books are supposedly as boring as this one, but I have not read any of them.

26. The more a boxer fights, the higher the chance that he or she will get brain damage.

A. There is a high chance that a boxer will become brain-damaged when he or she fights.

B. Boxers have a higher chance of getting brain damage than other people, as they fight more.

C. The boxers that fight too often are the only ones at risk of having their brains damaged.

D. The risk of a boxer's brain being damaged increases with the number of his or her fights.

27. Without the support of the editor, there is no way that John can get his poems published in this magazine.

A. John will be able to get his poems printed in this magazine, whether he has the editor's support or not.

B. Because the editor doesn't support John, his poems certainly won't be printed in this magazine.

C. It is impossible that John will have his poems printed in this magazine if he isn't backed by the editor.

D. There is no chance of John's poems being published in this magazine, even if the editor is behind them.

28. Although W. Somerset Maugham was a popular writer, he thought of himself as a second-rate one.

A. W. Somerset Maugham was as second-rate as he considered himself to be, and this is reflected in how popular he was.

B. W. Somerset Maugham was such a popular writer that he considered himself to be the second best of his time.

C. Because W. Somerset Maugham was only considered to be a second-rate writer, it is surprising that he was so popular.

D. Despite W. Somerset Maugham not considering himself to be among the best writers, he was well-liked.

29. You should not eat so much chocolate.

- A. You eat quite a lot of chocolate, but don't eat more than that.
- B. You eat too much chocolate, and this is not good for you.
- C. I would rather eat less chocolate than you.
- D. If I were you, I wouldn't eat any chocolate at all.

30. At present, any spacecraft launched from Earth would be far too slow to reach another star system within one human lifetime.

- A. At the moment, no spacecraft which could be launched from Earth is anywhere near fast enough to reach another star system within the lifetime of a human.
- B. All of the spacecraft that can be launched from Earth at present are so slow that it would take the lifetime of one human for them to arrive at another star system.
- C. Other star systems are at such a great distance from Earth that it will always remain impossible for any spacecraft launched from our planet to reach one in the lifetime of a human.
- D. It is impossible that within our lifetime any spacecraft will be made fast enough to be able to reach another star system.

31. Japanese is not at all similar to Chinese, except in its writing system and a few pieces of vocabulary.

- A. Chinese has a system of writing and a number of words that are distinct from anything found in Japanese.
- B. Japanese is different from Chinese in that it has a different writing system and a smaller vocabulary.
- C. Japanese took its writing system and words from Chinese, but apart from that the language is completely different.
- D. Although the way Japanese is written, and some of its words, are not different from Chinese, everything else about the language is.

32. I'm going to buy the least expensive mobile phone in the shop, because I'm trying to save as much money as I can.

- A. I have saved all the money that I've been able to, but I can still only afford to buy the cheapest mobile phone in the shop.
- B. I'll purchase a cheap mobile phone in the shop, as I'm attempting to spend as little money as possible.
- C. In the shop, I'm going to buy the mobile phone with the lowest price because the more money I can save, the better.
- D. I'm attempting to save enough money to be able to purchase the mobile phone in the shop that isn't as expensive as the others.

33. It could have been Julia that I saw going into the music shop on High Street, but she was quite far away.

- A. Had the person going into High Street's music shop not been at such a distance from me, I would have been able to see whether it was Julia.
- B. Although she was some distance from me, it is possible that the person I saw going into the music shop on High street was Julia.
- C. The person I saw going into the music shop on High Street was too far away for me to see clearly, but I'm sure it was Julia.
- D. Even though she was a little far from me, I was able to see Julia step into the music shop on High Street.

34. It is probably impossible for me to complete this essay by the deadline.

- A. I doubt that I will be able to finish writing this essay in time.
- B. Unless the deadline changes, I'll manage to complete this essay on time.
- C. I'm sure that I won't be able to finish writing the essay on time.
- D. I want to finish writing this essay, even if it's going to be late.

35. The later works of John Dos Passes aren't generally as respected as his earlier ones.

- A. The books John Dos Passos wrote later in life are generally viewed as greater than his earliest one.
- B. The first books that John Dos Passos wrote are usually seen as better than those he wrote later on.
- C. John Dos Passos' earlier works, in general, haven't been given as much respect as his later ones.
- D. The earliest works by John Dos Passos are certainly far greater than the ones he produced later on.

36. During the winter, this area becomes so cold that we can use the balcony as a refrigerator.

- A. There is no need for us to have a refrigerator around here, as the cold weather makes the balcony just as good.
- B. The balcony is so cold that it is like a refrigerator during the extreme winter weather here.
- C. We get such low temperatures in this area in the winter that we stop using the fridge and use the balcony instead.
- D. We find the balcony to be as effective as a fridge in the extreme cold we get around here in winter.

37. There are more Spanish speakers in California than there are people in Nicaragua.

- A. The population of Nicaragua is smaller than the Spanish-speaking population of California.
- B. Fewer people speak Spanish in California than in the country of Nicaragua.
- C. Spanish is spoken natively in Nicaragua, though it has more speakers in California.
- D. A higher percentage of Californians than Nicaraguans are able to speak Spanish.

38. The story which Hank had told about his catching a gigantic fish turned out to be entirely false.

- A. Hank's story about how he had caught a huge fish was heard several times before it was realized that it was wholly untrue.
- B. A tale was told about how Hank had caught a very large fish, but not many people actually thought that it was true.
- C. In the end, Hank's tale of how he had caught an enormous fish was discovered to be completely untrue.
- D. Hank turned up to explain that the story about his catching a huge fish was, in fact, completely false.

39. Most of the charity members have agreed that this concert should be just the first of their activities in support of the homeless.

- A. Many of the charity members thought that they could do better things than holding a concert to support the homeless.
- B. The idea that other events must follow this concert held to support the homeless is shared by the majority of the charity members.
- C. There is total agreement among the charity members that this concert should not be the only thing they do for the homeless.
- D. According to many members of the charity, after the first concert, they should have continued to support the homeless.

40. If you require any assistance, Selin is the best person to help you out with the difficulty.

- A. You can ask anyone but Selin for assistance if you should have such a difficulty.
- B. If Selin cannot solve your problem, it is unlikely that anyone else can give you the required assistance.
- C. If nobody else can help you to deal with the problem, you can try asking Selin.
- D. Should you need any help dealing with the problem, no one can help you better than Selin.

41. I haven't got enough money to buy even the least expensive item on the menu.

- A. The cheapest thing on the menu is nonetheless too expensive for me to afford.
- B. I think that even the least expensive thing on the menu costs more money than it ought to.
- C. Though there are a few low-priced items on the menu, they still cost too much money for me.
- D. I won't buy the cheapest thing on the menu, since it may end up being a waste of my money.

42. Until Mohandas K. Gandhi took over control of the Indian National Congress, the idea of an independent India had been little more than a dream.

- A. Mohandas K. Gandhi took over the leadership of the Indian National Congress, which dreamed of an India which was independent.
- B. It was the leader Mohandas K. Gandhi who first gave the idea of an independent India to the Indian National Congress.
- C. Indian independence only became a realistic goal once Mohandas K Gandhi had started to lead the Indian National Congress.
- D. Before Mohandas K. Gandhi, the Indian National Congress hadn't been interested in the goal of achieving independence for India.

43. News producers don't always demonstrate what they are capable of unless they are under the stressful conditions of a live broadcast.

- A. Because of the pressure it involves, a live broadcast may be the best environment for news producers to show off their skills.
- B. Some news producers are unable to demonstrate their abilities to the fullest when they feel pressured during live broadcasts.
- C. News producers don't always do their best work during a live broadcast, as they lack the skills to do their job.
- D. In a live broadcast, news producers who otherwise appear quite capable may prove to be ineffective.

44. Alan didn't like the bag that he saw in the market because it wasn't big enough to hold his computer equipment.

- A. Alan needed a big bag to hold his computer equipment, but he didn't like the one that he looked at in the market.
- B. Alan looked for a large bag in the market in which he could put his computer equipment, but he couldn't find any.
- C. The bag which Alan saw in the market was so small that it wouldn't have been able to hold any of his computer equipment.
- D. The reason why the bag Alan looked at in the market didn't appeal to him was that it was too small for his computer equipment to fit in.

45. Patricia realized with regret that, without the divorce, today she would have been married to Jeff for fifteen years.

- A. Patricia was terribly sad about the fact that she was getting divorced on her fifteenth wedding anniversary.
- B. Patricia sadly remembered she'd have been married to Jeff for fifteen years on this day if they hadn't divorced.

C. Patricia and Jeff got divorced fifteen years ago, and today, on their anniversary, she regrets this decision of theirs.

D. It's Patricia and Jeff's anniversary today, but Jeff is upset with Patricia, which has made her quite sad.

46. Emilia, whom Naomi just beat in the last race, is training for the city marathon this weekend.

A. Emilia, who is preparing for the city marathon this weekend, was barely defeated by Naomi in the previous race.

B. Naomi was just beaten in the last race by Emilia, who is practising for the marathon in the city this weekend.

C. Emilia is getting ready for the marathon in the city this weekend as she wants to do better than Naomi.

D. As she was badly beaten by Naomi in the last race, Emilia is training hard for the city marathon this weekend.

47. In the canteen, I saw our new professor, one of whose qualifications for the job is that she has written three books on quantum physics.

A. In the canteen, I met our new professor of quantum physics, on which subject she has authored three books, although she is also qualified in a great many other areas.

B. Our new professor, whom I spotted in the canteen, has been employed here just because of the three books which she has written on quantum physics

C. One of the reasons that our new professor, whom I spotted in the canteen, is working here is the three books on quantum physics which she has authored.

D. It was only after she had authored three books on quantum physics that our new professor, who I noticed in the canteen, was able to get a job here.

48. Most of the songs of The Beatles were written by John Lennon or Paul McCartney, rather than by Ringo Starr or George Harrison.

A. Neither Ringo Starr nor George Harrison created the majority of The Beatles' songs; John Lennon and Paul McCartney did.

B. It was the songs written by John Lennon and Paul McCartney, rather than Ringo Starr and George Harrison, that The Beatles mostly played.

C. Only some of the songs by The Beatles were written by John Lennon and Paul McCartney, while the rest were written by Ringo Starr and George Harrison.

D. Ringo Starr and George Harrison would have liked to write as many songs for The Beatles as John Lennon and Paul McCartney did.

49. Margot had been planning to join the circus until she discovered that the pay was much too low.

A. Even after discovering that circus performers earned very little money, Margot made a plan to join one.

B. Because the money Margot earned working at the circus was too little, she planned to stop working there.

C. Margot wasn't sure whether or not she should continue working at the circus unless she earned more money.

D. As the money which circus performers earned was far too little, Margot changed her mind about joining it.

50. Heather and Graham have such a small living room that they'll have trouble getting all of

this furniture into it.

A. It would be difficult for Heather and Graham to keep all of this furniture if their living room was a little smaller.

B. Heather and Graham's living room is too tiny for them to put all of this furniture in it with ease.

C. Heather and Graham's living room is much too small to hold any of this furniture.

D. This furniture won't take up so much space in Heather and Graham's living room.

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