

**Practice
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Carefully read the text below, consisting of 12 lines, about Dawn's holiday plans. The first and last lines are correct. For eight of the lines, there is one grammatical error in each line. There are two more lines with no errors.

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If the line is incorrect, circle the incorrect word and write the correct word in the space provided.
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Examples:

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Dawn was both excited and relieved that the holidays were approaching. She had so many plans into store. Of course, she would be resting and recuperating on the first two days. The **1** _____ stressful semester had took a toll on her body and she had lost a lot of weight. In fact, she **2** _____ had been under a weather for quite some time and would need time to recover. She **3** _____ would also wanted to use the time to catch up on some reading. Dawn was an avid fan **4** _____ of science fiction, especially by the Chinese author, Liu Cixin. His latest book caught **5** _____ her attention but she had already purchased it. She could not wait to read it. Dawn also **6** _____ wanted to spend some times with her family. She had been missing out on family dinners **7** _____ because of her busier school schedule. Dinners for the past few weeks had been quick **8** _____ bites in front of a computer screen, totally devoid of any human interacting. While her **9** _____ parents understood her school commitments, she did not want to take them for granted. **10** _____ She loved them very much and was appreciative of all the support they had given her.

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Carefully read the text below, consisting of 12 lines, about our reliance on technology. The first and last lines are correct. For eight of the lines, there is one grammatical error in each line. There are two more lines with no errors.

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The world is becoming increasingly reliant on technology. This is far cry from the past where we had to do much chores by hand. Nowadays, we can depend on technology to do the work for us. This has made us more efficiency, but we need to consider the negative effects it can have on our lifestyle. Often, in a crisis, we may not have the luxury to make use of the technology that we are used for. In a war, for example, access to everyday devices will not be easy and we would need to rely on our own intellectual to survive. However, a worrying trend is already emerging even before such extreme situations should happened. Some teenagers are so reliant on smartphones that they have become obsessed with it. Likewise, adults have also become slaves to technology. Observe any family in Singapore and most probably the eyes of both parents were locked on their phones. Technology can be a boon to people if used appropriate. At the same time, we must also ensure that we are in control of our lives by not being completely dependent on technology.

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Carefully read the text below, consisting of 12 lines, about a group of cheerleaders. The first and last lines are correct. For eight of the lines, there is one grammatical error in each line. There are two more lines with no errors.

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It was Flora High School's much-anticipated annual Sports Day. Everyone was in high spirits.	
Stephanie, together with her teammates, were decked in her cheerleader's outfit. She was	1 _____
ready to perform her routine and stun the crowd with her complicated moves. The school	2 _____
placed a lot of emphasis in sports and other co-curricular activities. The Principal wanted	3 _____
students to not only excel academic but also in a wide range of activities such as music and	4 _____
sports. For students, the Sports Day was a day to let one's hair down; a time to bond with	5 _____
friends and to indulged in healthy competition among peers. As Stephanie was new to this	6 _____
school, it was her first time participating as a cheerleader. She did not expect cheerleading	7 _____
to be took so seriously. In fact, they had to perform some highly atheletic moves in	8 _____
their routines. Some of her seniors would easily be gymnasts but they chose to be	9 _____
cheerleaders instead. They told her that it brought them greater joy to be able to influence	10 _____
others positively in a competition. Stephanie could not wait to share the same experiences.	

Practice 36

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Carefully read the text below, consisting of 12 lines, about birthday parties. The first and last lines are correct. For eight of the lines, there is one grammatical error in each line. There are two more lines with no errors.

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Most of us have had a birthday party. When we were younger, our parents would throw us
 a party and it was a time for food and lots of presents. What was most memorable to me was **1** _____
 not the large celebrations that I had as a child, yet rather, the meaningful surprise birthday **2** _____
 gathering for me when I turned seventeen. It was the year that I repeated our fourth year **3** _____
 in secondary school. I was feeling a little upsetting that I had to do it all over again **4** _____
 when my close friends were already moving on to other institutions. Even though it **5** _____
 was my birthday, I was not in the mood for a celebrating. I had just failed another test and **6** _____
 I missed my friends terrible. Suddenly, I received a call from my best friend while I was at **7** _____
 home. He told me to meet him downstairs because he wanted to pass me the present. I was **8** _____
 already very touched that he remembers my birthday. When I met him, I realised that the **9** _____
 rest of my friends were also there to surprise me. I tried not to tear but it was **10** _____
 futile. They knew that I needed this encouragement. It was a day I would never forget.

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Carefully read the text below, consisting of 12 lines, about the meaningful use of time. The first and last lines are correct. For eight of the lines, there is one grammatical error in each line. There are two more lines with no errors.

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Time is definitely a precious commodity in our world today. Have we not lamented, at least once, that we have so much to do but so little time? However, this boils down to two main issues: Do we use time wisely? Are we doing meaningful things? Addressing the latter, I often feel that we are overwhelmed by much meaningless tasks. Do we really need to go shopping or complete everything in our to-do list? More often than not, we are filling our days with activities that we could do without. When it comes to the usage of time, I believe that sometimes we do not plan my time wisely. We either take too long to finish a task or spent too little time on things that should have required more careful consideration. At the heart of this issue is a lack of planning and reflection. How many of us actually plan our day and then reflect on our plan and our day later on? We need to plan ahead so that we spend the right amount of time doing the things that is important to us. In the frenetic society that we live in, we cannot afford to waste time.

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Carefully read the text below, consisting of 12 lines, about an elderly couple. The first and last lines are correct. For eight of the lines, there is one grammatical error in each line. There are two more lines with no errors.

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If the line is incorrect, circle the incorrect word and write the correct word in the space provided.
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On my daily walks to school, I usually run into Mr and Mrs Chang. In this day and age, I marvel at the fact that a couple who have been married for more than forty years could still remain **1** _____ so loving and endearment after all these years. It is not uncommon to hear of young couples **2** _____ filing for divorce. Indeed, in today's society, the institution in marriage is not taken very **3** _____ seriously. The media can sometimes be blame for this trend. Very often, the notion of a **4** _____ divorce is normalised on popular television shows. Even actors, which can be our children's **5** _____ role models, display casual attitudes towards marry. However, Mr and Mrs Chang are quite **6** _____ the opposite. Mrs Chang is always concerned about her husband. At the coffee shop, I will **7** _____ always see her fussing over her husband and making sure he takes his medication on time. **8** _____ Mr Chang, on the other hand, look like a man in love. He gazes at Mrs Chang as if it was **9** _____ the first time he has saw her. Once, Mr Chang surprised his wife with a bouquet of roses **10** _____ during breakfast. Everyone around them was touched at such a sweet gesture!

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Carefully read the text below, consisting of 12 lines, about the person you can rely on in an emergency. The first and last lines are correct. For eight of the lines, there is one grammatical error in each line. There are two more lines with no errors.

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I arrived <u>(to)</u> the destination very early.	_____ at
Many students are in the library doing their revision.	_____ ✓

There are many disasters happening around the world of late: terrorist attacks, natural disasters and pandemics. Situations can be chaotic in such disasters. In times of crises,	1 _____
who would you turn to for help? For me, I place full trust in my older brother. He had always	2 _____
take care of me since I was little. Both our parents were working when I just entered primary	3 _____
school, so he would ensured that I had food to eat. He also supervised my school work	4 _____
even though he was only three years older from me. He taught me how to play soccer,	5 _____
how to lift weights and in recent years, he was the one which taught me how to	6 _____
shave. When I got around some fights in the past, it was my brother who got me out of them.	7 _____
Once, I fell into a river and thought I was going to drowning but it was my brother who saved	8 _____
me in the end. Though he was extreme furious, I was still glad that he was there when I	9 _____
needed help. That is why, in the event of a disastrous or an emergency, I know I can always	10 _____
count on my brother. At the same time, I do hope that I can be of help to him someday too.	

**Practice
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Carefully read the text below, consisting of 12 lines, about bowling as a pastime. The first and last lines are correct. For eight of the lines, there is one grammatical error in each line. There are two more lines with no errors.

If there is **NO** error in a line, put a tick (✓) in the space provided.
If the line is **incorrect**, circle the incorrect word and write the correct word in the space provided.
The correct word you provide **must not change the original meaning** of the sentence.

Examples:

I arrived **(to)** the destination very early.

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Many students are in the library doing their revision.

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Bowling is a form of recreation for many. People from all walks of life and from different age groups consider bowling a fun pastime. It is no wonder that in much countries, despite the high cost tied to the rental of lanes and shoes, many people, especially teenager and young adults, flock to bowling alleys for a good time. Bowling is an interesting game. All you need to do is to throw a relative heavy ball down a well-polished lane, hoping to strike down ten objects we call bowling pins. It may look simple, and in reality it is not. It is about control. Professional bowlers spend long hours on the alley practising and reviewing their throws so that one can master the art of bowling. The trick is to be in control of your entire body. Like many other types of sports, bowling requires a person to be able to control his muscles, his posture and even his breathing to ensuring a winning throw. For those new to the sport, a lack of control could landed your ball in the gutter. It is almost a wonder how difficult it is to ensure that the ball travels in a straight path.

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Carefully read the text below, consisting of 12 lines, about the life of a writer. The first and last lines are correct. For eight of the lines, there is one grammatical error in each line. There are two more lines with no errors.

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Julian was frantic. He had a deadline to meet and his last manuscript was far from ready.

His editor was already hot on his heels and was constantly calling himself every hour to 1 _____

monitor his progress. As he was furious typing away on his laptop, Julian tried to reassure 2 _____

himself. "I love my job. I love my job," he muttered to himself repeatedly. Julian had always 3 _____

wanted to be the writer and when Falcon Publishing offered him a contract after reading a 4 _____

draft manuscript on his first short story, Julian was ecstatic. It was a dream come true. That 5 _____

was five years ago and he had already publish five books under the Falcon label. The one he 6 _____

was working on was for his six project. It was supposed to be a fantasy story set in Asia. 7 _____

The publishers wanted it to have a global impacts and decided that the setting of the story 8 _____

should not be set in the real world. Due to this change, Julian had been working tirelessly to 9 _____

ensure that all the requirements would be met. Beads of sweat was forming at his temples. 10 _____

He had seven more pages to edit within the hour.

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Carefully read the text below, consisting of 12 lines, about the threat of terrorism. The first and last lines are correct. For eight of the lines, there is one grammatical error in each line. There are two more lines with no errors.

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The world is facing many new threats now. One of such threats would be terrorism. Many people fear that religious fundamentalism has paved the way for more violent in society. **1** _____

What society is trying to grappling with is a way to find a balance between the acceptance of diversity with a respect for individual beliefs. Because many countries have opened the doors to globalisation, we are now seeing a society which people from different faiths and backgrounds live together in close proximity. Conflicts that arisen from these differences have increased over the years. What is of great importance for leaders of society is to find ways to ensure that basic human rights are respect so that every individual's needs can be met, and their dignity preserved. There needs to be a shift of focus from believing and argument for what is right, to doing what is right. More often than not, conflicts arise because we chose not to agree to disagree. We have to be right, but we do not do what is right. **10** _____

Our leaders need to have the moral courage to make a difference for things to truly change.

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Carefully read the text below, consisting of 12 lines, about coping with life. The first and last lines are correct. For eight of the lines, there is one grammatical error in each line. There are two more lines with no errors.

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Many people in our society are overwhelmed with many things to do. It is not uncommon to see much students, for example, feeling stressed. It is unfortunate that many students today spend more time in school than out exploring the world. Because, can we always blame the education system? There are some students that find meaning in their work and even in the non-academic pursuits on life. While some see their co-curricular activity as another source of competition, there are others who are passionate in what they did. A person who joins the soccer team can do so to get a good CCA record to enter a better school later on. On the other hand, another person could have join the soccer team out of sheer passion for the sport. While the former may be overwhelmed by inter-school competitions, the latter would see such meets as opportunities to hone and learned new skills related to his love for the game. Finding a coping mechanism lie with our ability to find new ways to ensure that our actions are meaningful to us and sustainable in the long run.

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