## SENTENCE CORRECTION TEST SECTION 1

## 30 Minutes 25 Questions

- 1. Researchers at Cornell University have demonstrated that homing pigeons can sense changes in the earth's magnetic field, see light waves that people cannot see, detect low-frequency sounds from miles away, sense changes in air pressure, and can identify familiar odors.
  - (A) sense changes in air pressure, and can identify familiar odors
  - (B) can sense changes in air pressure, and can identify familiar odors
  - (C) sense changes in air pressure, and identify familiar odors
  - (D) air pressure changes can be sensed, and familiar odors identified
  - (E) air pressure changes are sensed, and familiar odors identified
- 2. In ancient times, Nubia was the principal corridor <u>where there were cultural influences</u> <u>transmitted</u> between Black Africa and the Mediterranean basin.
  - (A) where there were cultural influences transmitted
  - (B) through which cultural influences were transmitted
  - (C) where there was a transmission of cultural influences
  - (D) for the transmitting of cultural influences
  - (E) which was transmitting cultural influences
- 3. It is a special feature of cell aggregation in the developing nervous system that in most regions of the brain the cells not only adhere to one another and also adopt some preferential orientation.
  - (A) to one another and also adopt
  - (B) one to the other, and also they adopt
  - (C) one to the other, but also adopting
  - (D) to one another but also adopt
  - (E) to each other, also adopting
- 4. Among the reasons for the decline of New England agriculture in the last three decades were the high cost of land, the pressure of housing and commercial development, and <u>basing a marketing and distribution system on importing produce from Florida and California.</u>
  - (A) basing a marketing and distribution system on importing produce from Florida and California
  - (B) basing a marketing and distribution system on the imported produce of Florida and California
  - (C) basing a system of marketing and distribution on the import of produce from Florida and California
  - (D) a marketing and distribution system based on importing produce from Florida and California
  - (E) a marketing and distribution system importing produce from Florida and California as its base
- 5. <u>Like Byron</u> at Missolonghi, Jack London was slowly killed by the mistakes of the medical men who treated him.
  - (A) Like Byron
- (B) Like Byron's death
- (C) Just as Byron died

- (D) Similar to Byron
- (E) As did Byron

- 6. One of every two new businesses <u>fail</u> within two years.
  - (A) fail (B) fails (C) should fail
  - (D) may have failed (E) has failed
- 7. Even today, a century after Pasteur developed the first vaccine, rabies almost always kills <u>its victims unless inoculated</u> in the earliest stages of the disease.
  - (A) its victims unless inoculated
  - (B) its victims unless they are inoculated
  - (C) its victims unless inoculation is done
  - (D) the victims unless there is an inoculation
  - (E) the victims unless inoculated
- 8. <u>In a period of time when women typically have</u> had a narrow range of choices, Mary Baker Eddy became a distinguished writer and the founder, architect, and builder of a growing church.
  - (A) In a period of time when women typically have
  - (B) During a time in which typically women have
  - (C) Typically, during a time when women
  - (D) At a time when women typically
  - (E) Typically in a time in which women
- 9. As the price of gasoline rises, which makes substituting alcohol distilled from cereal grain attractive, the prices of bread and livestock feed are sure to increase.
  - (A) which makes substituting alcohol distilled from cereal grain attractive
  - (B) which makes substituting the distillation of alcohol from cereal grain attractive
  - (C) which makes distilling alcohol from cereal grain an attractive substitute
  - (D) making an attractive substitution of alcohol distilled from cereal grain
  - (E) making alcohol distilled from cereal grain an attractive substitute
- 10. Climatic shifts are <u>so gradual as to be indistinguishable</u> at first from ordinary fluctuations in the weather.
  - (A) so gradual as to be indistinguishable
  - (B) so gradual they can be indistinguishable
  - (C) so gradual that they are unable to be distinguished
  - (D) gradual enough not to be distinguishable
  - (E) gradual enough so that one cannot distinguish them
- 11. Although the lesser cornstalk borer is widely distributed, control of them is necessary only in the South.
  - (A) the lesser cornstalk borer is widely distributed, control of them is
  - (B) widely distributed, measures to control the lesser cornstalk borer are
  - (C) widely distributed, lesser cornstalk borer control is
  - (D) the lesser cornstalk borer is widely distributed, measures to control it are
  - (E) it is widely distributed, control of the lesser cornstalk borer is
- Traveling the back roads of Hungary, in 1905 Béla Bartók and Zoltán Kodály began their
  pioneering work in ethnomusicology, and they were armed only with an Edison phonograph
  and insatiable curiosity.

- (A) Traveling the back roads of Hungary, in 1905 Bela Bartok and Zoltan Kodaly began their pioneering work in ethnomusicology, and they were armed only
- (B) In 1905, Bela Bartok and Zoltan Kodaly, traveling the back roads of Hungary, began their pioneering work in ethnomusicology, and they were only armed
- (C) In 1905 Bela Bartok and Zoltan Kodaly began their pioneering work in ethnomusicology, traveling the back roads of Hungary armed only
- (D) Having traveled the back roads of Hungary, in 1905 Bela Bartok and Zoltan Kodaly began their pioneering work in ethnomusicology; they were only armed
- (E) Bela Bartok and Zoltan Kodaly, in 1905 began their pioneering work in ethnomusicology, traveling the back roads of Hungary, arming themselves only
- 13. It is as difficult to prevent crimes against property as those that are against a person.
  - (A) those that are against a
  - (B) those against a
  - (C) it is against a
  - (D) preventing those against a
  - (E) it is to prevent those against a
- 14. <u>Unlike the acid smoke of cigarettes</u>, pipe tobacco, cured by age-old methods, yields an <u>alkaline smoke</u> too irritating to be drawn into the lungs.
  - (A)Unlike the acid smoke of cigarettes, pipe tobacco, cured by age-old methods, yields an alkaline smoke
  - (B) Unlike the acid smoke of cigarettes, pipe tobacco is cured by age-old methods, yielding an alkaline smoke
  - (C) Unlike cigarette tobacco, which yields an acid smoke, pipe tobacco, cured by age-old methods, yields an alkaline smoke
  - (D) Differing from cigarettes' acid smoke, pipe tobacco's alkaline smoke, cured by age-old methods, is
  - (E) The alkaline smoke of pipe tobacco differs from cigarettes' acid smoke in that it is cured by age-old methods and is
- 15. Joplin's faith in his opera "Tremonisha" was unshakable; in 1911 he published the score at his own expense and decided on staging it himself.
  - (A) on staging it himself
  - (B) that he himself would do the staging
  - (C) to do the staging of the work by himself
  - (D) that he himself would stage it
  - (E) to stage the work himself
- 16. Los Angeles has a higher number of family dwellings per capita than any large city.
  - (A) a higher number of family dwellings per capita than any large city
  - (B)higher numbers of family dwellings per capita than any other large city
  - (C) a higher number of family dwellings per capita than does any other large city
  - (D) higher numbers of family dwellings per capita than do other large cities
  - (E) a high per capita number of family dwellings, more than does any other large city
- 17. During the nineteenth century Emily Eden and Fanny Parks journeyed throughout India, sketching and keeping journals forming the basis of news reports about the princely states where they had visited.

- (A) forming the basis of news reports about the princely states where they had
- (B) that were forming the basis of news reports about the princely states
- (C) to form the basis of news reports about the princely states which they have
- (D) which had formed the basis of news reports about the princely states where they had
- (E) that formed the basis of news reports about the princely states they
- 18. School integration plans that involve busing between suburban and central-city areas have contributed, according to a recent study, to <u>significant increases in housing integration</u>, <u>which</u>, in turn, reduces any future need for busing.
  - (A) significant increases in housing integration, which, in turn, reduces
  - (B) significant integration increases in housing, which, in turn, reduces
  - (C) increase housing integration significantly, which, in turn, reduces
  - (D) increase housing integration significantly, in turn reducing
  - (E) significantly increase housing integration, which, in turn, reduce
- 19. The commission acknowledged that <u>no amount of money or staff members</u> can ensure the safety of people who live in the vicinity of a nuclear plant, but it approved the installation because it believed that all reasonable precautions had been taken.
  - (A) no amount of money or staff members
  - (B) neither vast amounts of money nor staff members
  - (C) neither vast amounts of money nor numbers of staff members
  - (D) neither vast amounts of money nor a large staff
  - (E) no matter how large the staff or how vast the amount of money
- 20. Sartre believed <u>each individual is responsible to choose one course of action over another one</u>, that it is the choice that gives value to the act, and that nothing that is not acted upon has value.
  - (A) each individual is responsible to choose one course of action over another one
  - (B)that each individual is responsible for choosing one course of action over another
  - (C) that each individual is responsible, choosing one course of action over another
  - (D) that each individual is responsible to choose one course of action over the other
  - (E) each individual is responsible for choosing one course of action over other ones
- 21. While the owner of a condominium apartment has free and clear title to the dwelling, owners of cooperative apartments have shares in a corporation that owns a building and leases apartments to them.
  - (A) While the owner of a condominium apartment has free and clear title to the dwelling,
  - (B) The owner of a condominium apartment has free and clear title to the dwelling, but
  - (C) Whereas owners of condominium apartments have free and clear title to their dwellings,
  - (D) An owner of a condominium apartment has free and clear title to the dwelling, whereas
  - (E) Condominium apartment owners have a title to their dwelling that is free and clear, while
- 22. Although <u>films about the American West depict coyotes as solitary animals howling</u> <u>mournfully on the tops of distant hills</u>, in reality these gregarious creatures live in stable groups that occupy the same territory for long periods.
  - (A) films about the American West depict coyotes as solitary animals howling mournfully on the tops of distant hills
  - (B) in films about the American West coyotes are depicted to be solitary animals that howl mournfully on the tops of distant hills

- (C) coyotes are depicted as solitary animals howling mournfully on the tops of distant hills in films about the American West
- (D) films about the American West depict coyotes as if they were solitary, mournfully howling animals on the tops of distant hills.
- (E) films about the American West depict coyotes to be solitary and mournfully howling animals on the tops of distant hills
- 23. In 1980 the United States exported twice as much of its national output of goods as they had in 1970.
  - (A) twice as much of its national output of goods as they had
  - (B) double the amount of their national output of goods as they did
  - (C) twice as much of its national output of goods as it did
  - (D) double the amount of its national output of goods as it has
  - (E) twice as much of their national output of goods as they had
- 24. Even though its per capita food supply hardly increased during two decades, stringent rationing and planned distribution have allowed the People's Republic of China to ensure nutritional levels of 2,000 calories per person per day for its population.
  - (A) Even though its per capita food supply hardly increased during
  - (B) Even though its per capita food supply has hardly increased in
  - (C) Despite its per capita food supply hardly increasing over
  - (D) Despite there being hardly any increase in its per capita food supply during
  - (E) Although there is hardly any increase in per capita food supply for
- 25. Few people realize that the chance of accidental injury or death <u>may be as great or greater in the "safety" of their own homes than</u> in a plane or on the road.
  - (A) may be as great or greater in the "safety" of their own homes than
  - (B) is at least as great or greater in the "safety" of their own homes than
  - (C) might be so great or greater in the "safety" of their own home as
  - (D) may be at least as great in the "safety" of their own homes as
  - (E) can be at least so great in the "safety" of their own home as

## ANSWER KEYS:

1. C	6. B	11. D	16. C	21. C
2. B	7. B	12. C	17. E	22. A
3. D	8. D	13. E	18. A	23. C
4. D	9. E	14. C	19. D	24. B
5. A	10. A	15. E	20. B	25. D