

(i) Fill in the blank with the correct verb form:

The panel of experts, after reviewing multiple drafts of the environmental policy, finally _____ (agree) on the revised guidelines recently.

(ii) Identify the error in the sentence and supply the correction:

The series of unexpected delays have severely affected the progress of the construction work.

Error: Correction:

(iii) Rewrite the following in reported speech:

Mina said to her father, “Why are you working so late even on a holiday?”

(iv) Choose the correct option to complete the sentence:

The proposal, which the committee had almost rejected at first, was later reconsidered because it _____ (show) several long-term benefits.

(v) Identify the error and supply the correction:

Neither of the explanations seem convincing enough to justify the sudden rise in expenses.

Error: Correction:

(vi) Fill in the blanks:

Considering the unpredictable traffic and the distance we still have to cover, we _____ postpone the meeting by at least an hour.

(a) might (b) must © should (d) would

(vii) Report the following question:

The interviewer asked Rohan, “How long have you been preparing for the civil service examination?”

(viii) Choose the correct option to fill in the blank:

If the weather hadn't turned so unpredictable, the team _____ its field survey without interruption.

(a) will complete (b) would complete

© would have completed (d) completes

(ix) Complete the sentence using the correct form of the word in brackets:

Her explanation was so _____ (persuade) that even the sceptics agreed to support the plan.

(x) Identify the error and supply the correction:

Hardly had the announcement been made when the audience begin to leave the auditorium.

Error: Correction:

(xi) Fill in the blanks

Despite repeated warnings from experts, many people fail to realise that ignoring early symptoms of a disease _____ lead to serious complications later.

(a) would (b) must © could (d) ought to

(xii) Rewrite in reported speech:

The librarian said, "Please ensure that all borrowed books are returned before the upcoming audit."

ANSWER KEY

- (i) Has agreed
- (ii) Error: have Correction: has
- (iii) Mina asked her father why he was working so late even on a holiday.
- (iv) Showed
- (v) Error: seem Correction: seems
- (vi) Might
- (vii) The interviewer asked Rohan how long he had been preparing for the civil service examination.
- (viii) © would have completed
- (ix) Persuasive
- (x) Error: begin Correction: began
- (xi) © could
- (xii) The librarian requested to ensure that all borrowed books were returned before the upcoming audit.