

MOCK CSR EXAM, FORM C

THEORETICAL GRAMMAR, WORD USAGE, AND CAPITALIZATION

The questions in this section are composed of four sentences that are identical except for the two words or word groups in each that are underlined.

Directions: *Select the sentence in which both the underlined words or word groups are used correctly.*

- 1A. Between Jerry and me, there is no question about whose idea is going to work.
- B. Between Jerry and I, there is no question about whose idea is going to work.
- C. Between Jerry and me, there is no question about who's idea is going to work.
- D. Between Jerry and I, there is no question about who's idea is going to work.
- 2A. They intended to give it to whomever they deemed would do the better job between the office manager and his aide.
- B. **They intended to give it to whoever they deemed would do the better job between the office manager and his aide.**
- C. They intended to give it to whomever they deemed would do the best job between the office manager and his aide.
- D. They intended to give it to whoever they deemed would do the best job between the office manager and his aide.
- 3A. I meant to spend a few minutes to see if she and Maria could go with us.
- B. I meant to spend a few minutes to see if her and Maria could go with us.
- C. **I meant to spend a few minutes to see whether she and Maria could go with us.**
- D. I meant to spend a few minutes to see whether her and Maria could go with us.
- 4A. He demanded she be there to see Bob's and Ann's baby.
- B. **He demanded she be there to see Bob and Ann's baby.**
- C. He demanded she was there to see Bob's and Ann's baby.
- D. He demanded she was there to see Bob and Ann's baby.

- 5A. Every one of the girls who were there are impressed.
 B. Every one of the girls who was there are impressed.
 C. Every one of the girls who was there is impressed.
 D. **Every one of the girls who were there is impressed.**
- 6A. Choose among the three so that you can stay here for awhile with us.
 B. Choose between the three so that you can stay here for awhile with us.
 C. **Choose among the three so that you can stay here for a while with us.**
 D. Choose between the three so that you can stay here for a while with us.
- 7A. Sometime ago, the three men -- David, Scott, and him -- were seen together.
 B. Some time ago, the three men -- David, Scott, and him -- were seen together.
 C. Sometime ago, the three men -- David, Scott, and he -- were seen together.
 D. **Some time ago, the three men -- David, Scott, and he -- were seen together.**
- 8A. I think she is somewhat better today, but she will need several week's rest.
 B. **I think she is somewhat better today, but she will need several weeks' rest.**
 C. I think she is some better today, but she will need several weeks' rest.
 D. I think she is some better today, but she will need several week's rest.
- 9A. **That one seemed to be broken even though most of the others that belong to Dan were working.**
 B. That one seemed to be broken even though most of the others that belong to Dan was working.
 C. That one seemed to be broke even though most of the others that belong to Dan were working.
 D. That one seemed to be broke even though most of the others that belong to Dan was working.

- 10A. I do not have anymore to give her because most of the copy for those books is with the proofers.
- B. I do not have any more to give her because most of the copy for those books is with the proofers.**
- C. I do not have any more to give her because most of the copy for those books are with the proofers.
- D. I do not have anymore to give her because most of the copy for those books are with the proofers.
- 11A. The number of calls we took for those two weeks are higher then any previous week.
- B. The number of calls we took for those two weeks are higher than any previous week.
- C. The number of calls we took for those two weeks is higher then any previous week.
- D. The number of calls we took for those two weeks is higher than any previous week.**
- 12A. Sue and I lay there too long, and I thought Mary would have to help her and me into the house.
- B. Sue and I lay there too long, and I thought Mary would have to help she and I into the house.
- C. Sue and I laid there too long, and I thought Mary would have to help her and me into the house.
- D. Sue and I laid there too long, and I thought Mary would have to help she and I into the house.
- 13A. Is it you who are to sit it up this weekend?
- B. Is it you who is to set it up this weekend?
- C. Is it you who is to sit it up this weekend?
- D. Is it you who are to set it up this weekend?**
- 14A. He usually helps her more quickly than either the boys or Jaime do.
- B. He usually helps her quicker than either the boys or Jaime do.
- C. He usually helps her quicker than either the boys or Jaime does.
- D. He usually helps her more quickly than either the boys or Jaime does.**

- 15A. The boy was risen from the place where him and his brother were trapped.
- B. The boy was raised from the place where him and his brother were trapped.
- C. The boy was risen from the place where he and his brother were trapped.
- D. **The boy was raised from the place where he and his brother were trapped.**
- 16A. Either the aides or the boss have to take responsibility for seeing to it that Jim and you get a copy.
- B. Either the aides or the boss have to take responsibility for seeing to it that you and Jim get a copy.
- C. **Either the aides or the boss has to take responsibility for seeing to it that you and Jim get a copy.**
- D. Either the aides or the boss has to take responsibility for seeing to it that Jim and you get a copy.
- 17A. It has not been as long this time as it was last time that she was able to help Patty and me.
- B. **It has not been so long this time as it was last time that she was able to help Patty and me.**
- C. It has not been so long this time as it was last time that she was able to help Patty and I.
- D. It has not been as long this time as it was last time that she was able to help Patty and I.
- 18A. Part of the jury always seems to reach a decision sooner than me.
- B. Part of the jury always seems to reach a decision sooner than I.
- C. Part of the jury always seem to reach a decision sooner than me.
- D. **Part of the jury always seem to reach a decision sooner than I.**

- 19A. There seem to be fewer options available to those of us whom he called to help.
- B. There seem to be less options available to those of us whom he called to help.
- C. There seem to be fewer options available to those of us who he called to help.
- D. There seem to be less options available to those of us who he called to help.
- 20A. This is more nearly perfect for the company than it's accounts indicate at this time.
- B. This is more perfect for the company than it's accounts indicate at this time.
- C. This is more nearly perfect for the company than its accounts indicate at this time.**
- D. This is more perfect for the company than its accounts indicate at this time.

PROOFREADING FOR PUNCTUATION, SPELLING, AND WORD USAGE

This section consists of four-line cases. Each line in each case is a separate test item.

Read each case and determine whether each individual line in the case contains a punctuation error, a spelling error, a word usage error, or no error.

Capitalization, grammar, and hyphenation are not tested in this section.

Directions: *Select the option that designates the type of error.*

- A. Punctuation error: Commas, periods, question marks, quotes, dashes, apostrophes, semicolons, or colons that are used incorrectly, omitted, or misplaced.
- B. Spelling error: A word that is misspelled and forms no valid word.
Example: *defendant* (correct) vs. *defendant* (incorrect).
- C. Word usage error: A word that is spelled correctly but used incorrectly.
Example: principle/principal, affect/effect, flair/flare, rest/wrest, sometime/some time (limited to similar-sounding words).
- D. No error: The line contains no errors.

21 A During March of last year the police were
22 A patrolling the area in search of the suspect and
23 C that pursuit, by the way, lead them to a small
24 B house that contained drug paraphenalia.

25 A When she was asked, "Will you please assist us?"
26 D how did she reply? Did she say to you, "I am already
27 A doing all I can?" She told us that she would be
28 A spending the entire evening at her parents.

29 C I thought that she simply had no flare for the job;
30 C yet she was not one of the lessor players for us.
31 D There was no joie de vivre and no enthusiasm.
32 B The thing that was really missing was committment.

33 A She was prescribed Tylenol for pain, Naproxen,
34 D an anti-inflammatory; and Ambien so that she could
35 A get some sleep. Even with all of these drugs she
36 D remained very uncomfortable and miserable.

37 A She had all the toys: an iPhone, an iPad, and
38 A a Kindle Fire, that she needed for the job. However,
39 C her principle task, which was to maintain her
40 A boss' schedule, seemed to be beyond her ability.

41 D Was it clear to you that the land had been ceded to
42 B the plaintiff? Was that the outcome that you understood
43 D from the documents that you had? Why didn't you say to
44 D him, "Why did you give up so easily?"

45 C Did you visit the state capitol, where the
46 A headquarters of his company Logan International, was
47 A located? Is that where the confrontation took place,
48 A and where you said to him, "I shall not work for you?"

49 D She reported intra-abdominal cramping from the
50 B begining. If the doctors had been paying more
51 A attention they would have recognized early symptoms
52 A of appendicitis. Because her symptoms did not change.

53 D They made every attempt to effect the new plan before
54 A the end of the year. When they met at the Barnes's
55 C house to discuss the grating of the new roads, they
56 A discussed a major part of the plan, that was missing.

57 C The project peaked my interest as it was just what
58 A I had been looking for, a unique opportunity to
59 C brake into the world of design. I had my degree in
60 A art, but hadn't been able to utilize it.

61 D The men were assigned the task to lade the ship before
62 A it sailed that Friday. The foreman of the project
63 B Dan Hanson, had on many occassions failed to carry out
64 A his duty, this time we thought he could handle it.

65 _C_ In my opinion, it was time for him to turn in to the
66 _A_ man we had hired. His resume was excellent but his
67 _D_ performance had been substandard for a number of
68 _C_ months. We needed to be shown what he could do.

69 _A_ I want to know what you told him at the time? Did
70 _D_ you have a talk with him and lecture him on his
71 _A_ failings or did you coddle him? Wasn't it time to
72 _D_ just lay it on the line and say, "Enough"?

73 _C_ Was the censor working? You said that his pulse
74 _A_ rate skyrocketed; didn't you? With this in mind,
75 _D_ did you alert the family to the problem he was
76 _A_ having; the serious decline in his condition?

77 _B_ They maintained separate residences even though they
78 _A_ seemed to get along okay. It just worked out, for the
79 _C_ two of them to live a part for most of the time. We
80 _A_ found it strange, but not all that uncommon.

VOCABULARY

Directions: Choose the word or phrase that is closest in meaning to the word in capital letters.

81. ACRIMONY **A) tartness** B) marriage C) melody D) intricacy
82. MOTLEY A) tawdry B) venal C) mandatory **D) varied**
83. NEBULOUS A) clear B) light **C) vague** D) gaunt
84. NOISOME A) clamorous B) exciting C) nervous **D) disgusting**
85. ACUITY **A) keenness** B) bitterness C) dishonesty D) skill
86. OBSTREPEROUS A) unknown B) unaware **C) unmanageable** D) late
87. ODIOUS A) musical B) fashionable **C) hateful** D) acrid
88. SPURIOUS **A) false** B) true C) angry D) peaceful
89. QUANDARY A) amount **B) predicament** C) quarrel D) trap
90. PROTRUDE A) lengthen B) obstruct **C) project** D) suppress
91. PLACATE A) replace B) understand C) strengthen **D) calm**
92. ONEROUS A) laudatory **B) burdensome** C) detailed D) skilled
93. MORDANT A) biting **B) dead** C) abundant D) melodious
94. OSTRACIZE A) vibrate B) flatter C) scold **D) banish**
95. PALPABLE A) hidden B) skillful C) proper **D) obvious**
96. URBANE A) countrified B) shy **C) suave** D) smiling
97. RECTITUDE A) tenacity B) pride **C) honesty** D) stuffiness
98. RAVAGE **A) ruin** B) scar C) betray D) captivate
99. VOLITION **A) will** B) violence C) vagary D) vacancy
100. PENURY A) radiance B) shadows **C) poverty** D) punishment