

## Synonymous Sentences Paraphrasing/Restatement MCQ Test With Answers - Mini Comprehension Exercise 4

1. Choose the "restatement" that is closest in meaning to the original sentence. More than one choice may be factually correct, but you should choose the one that is the closest "restatement" of the first sentence.

**Whether you're a mother, a mother-to-be or not even thinking about being a mom, there is still something to interest you in this book.**

- A)** The secrets of making a successful marriage are revealed in this book for all women, married or not.  
**B)** This book offers us a comparison between women who are also mothers and those who are not even thinking of becoming a mother.  
**C)** All men and women must read this book in order to learn something about what motherhood means.  
**D)** This book was written by women, for women, about women, whether they are mothers or not.  
**E)** You would be wise to read this book if you are already a mother, or if you are shortly to become a mother, or even if you have no intention of ever becoming a mother.
2. ***I'm going to ask him to let me know if he runs across any other such novellas with a historical connection.***
- A)** I want to know if he can tell me of any historical novellas across which people used to perform running competitions.  
**B)** Novellas are connected to historical events about which my friend knows a lot.  
**C)** I am going to inquire about how he encountered the historically connected novella while he was running there.  
**D)** I am fond of historical novellas and I think he may help me find more of them; I really enjoyed the one he told me about.  
**E)** Such historical novellas are suitable places to run around and I hope he will tell me all about it if he comes across one.

3. ***I would have given you one free of charge if I had known that you had to have one.***

- A)** You couldn't have known that I was under no obligation to give you one of these free of charge, and kept asking for one.  
**B)** If you had convinced me that you needed one of these, I would have given it to you certainly without charge.  
**C)** I needn't have given it to you free of charge if you had told me that you had one already.  
**D)** I realized just how necessary it was for you to have one of these and therefore I wanted to give it to you without charging you for it.  
**E)** I wasn't aware that you were in great need of one of these; otherwise, I would have given you one and ask for no money in return.

4. ***Driven by an understandable desire to obtain good arable land, the Chalmuks constantly sought to expand their territories by hook or by crook.***

- A)** The Chalmuks were a warlike people, with a strong distaste for agricultural activities, preferring to live on the spoils of wars they made against their neighbours.  
**B)** The Chalmuks were always after adding new lands to their territories because they were aware that their own lands weren't good enough for crop plantation.  
**C)** Not stimulated adequately enough by their greed for good arable soil, The Chalmuks were always occupying their neighbouring countries' territories.  
**D)** The Chalmuks, who were a peaceful agrarian people, were always after purchasing new territories to expand their crops plantations.  
**E)** Their neighbours were always willing to forfeit some of their good arable land to the Chalmuks in the name of good neighbourly relations.



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5. ***Alas! A friend of mine had warned me that selling such a large quantity of shares without consulting an expert might be rather unwise.***

- A) I am sorry that I did not heed my friend's advice; he had advised me to consult an expert if I was intending to sell any such large quantity of shares.
- B) Damn it! I had been warned by a friend of mine that selling such a large quantity of shares without an expert's permission might be quite unwise.
- C) My friend Alas had told me that it would be far better to seek some professional advice before selling so many shares; I am so sorry I did not heed his warning.
- D) Unfortunately, a friend of mine informed me that only an expert would be able to sell such a large quantity of shares.
- E) The expert whom I consulted -- as a friend of mine had advised me to do -- told me that it would be unwise to sell such a large quantity of shares.

6. ***No one disagrees that the environment has to be protected, but should this really take priority over economic development?***

- A) It is agreed by all that the importance of economic development cannot be ranked below that of environmental protection.
- B) There is no disagreement that environmental protection should be given priority over economic development.
- C) Everyone agrees that protection of the environment is a must, but some think that economic development is even more important.
- D) No one disagrees that environmental protection should be put before all else, including economic development.
- E) While not neglecting the importance of environmental protection, everyone agrees that economic development should really be given priority over it.

7. ***I have no idea how he may be persuaded that the project is already anything but stillborn.***

- A) I just don't know how anyone will manage to make him understand that this project is already dead.
- B) That the project was still not born was what we failed to make him understand.
- C) We will have to do something to make him believe that the project is still not born.
- D) I don't know what we can do to make him understand that the project has not been born yet.
- E) I must find a way to convince him that an unborn project means it stands still.

8. ***I very much doubt that he is experienced enough to be given a position of such responsibility.***

- A) With a little more experience I'm sure he will be the right man we need for that responsible position.
- B) I very much doubt that a responsible job of that description requires someone with a great deal of experience.
- C) He must be given a chance to prove that he is experienced enough to take on such a responsible post.
- D) I'm not at all sure that he will fail in that responsible position despite his lack of adequate experience.
- E) I am almost certain that he's not experienced enough to be appointed to such a responsible position.

9. ***However much effort she put into it, she could not put things right between herself and her husband.***

- A) Her relationship with her husband came to a breaking point because she was unable to put more effort into it than she actually did.
- B) Unless she was willing to make more of an effort, things would certainly improve at home.
- C) Any improvement in the relation of a husband and wife requires that she must truly sacrifice her pride and direct all her efforts toward that happy end.
- D) She tried all she could, but her relationship with her husband showed no improvement.
- E) She ought to have made more of an effort if she really had wanted the future look brighter for her marriage.

10. ***However hard he tries, he will never again enjoy the confidence of his wife as much as he did before.***

- A) He will hardly try to win his wife's confidence although he never enjoys himself without it as much as before.
- B) He no longer tries to win his wife's confidence as he is now convinced he can never have it as wholly as before.
- C) If only he'd try a little harder, he would sooner or later have confidence in his wife as much as he did before.
- D) So long as he keeps on trying, there is a good chance that his wife will begin to trust him again as much as she did in the past.
- E) No matter what he does, she is not likely to trust him ever again in the same degree as she used to.



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### Answer Key:

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| 1: E | 6: C  |
| 2: D | 7: A  |
| 3: E | 8: E  |
| 4: B | 9: D  |
| 5: A | 10: E |

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