



## **GMAT Practice Worksheet: Sentence Correction** **(IDIOMS)**

**Objective:** The purpose of this worksheet is to give you practice solving GMAT Sentence Correction problems using the knowledge and techniques learned in *Game Plan for the GMAT* and taught in the video lesson “Sentence Correction - Part 2.”

**Directions:** Take as much time as you need to apply your grammar rules and answer each question. Use the book and videos if necessary. Do not be concerned with time; learning the techniques and relevant grammar rules is what is important.

1. For both his shorter and longer works of fiction, Gabriel García Márquez achieves the rare feat of being accessible to the common reader while satisfying the most demanding of sophisticated critics.
  - (A) For both his shorter and longer
  - (B) For both his shorter, and in his longer,
  - (C) In both his shorter and his longer
  - (D) Both in his shorter and his longer
  - (E) Both his shorter and longer
  
2. It was believed that a thorough knowledge of Latin would not only enable students to read the classics, also enabling them to think clearly and precisely.
  - (A) It was believed that a thorough knowledge of Latin would not only enable students to read the classics, also enabling them to think clearly and precisely.
  - (B) It had been believed that a thorough knowledge of Latin would not only enable students to read the classics but rather enable them to think clearly and precisely.
  - (C) It was believed that a thorough knowledge of Latin would not only enable students to read the classics but also enabling them to think clearly and precisely.
  - (D) It used to be believed that a thorough knowledge of Latin would enable a student to be able to read the classics but also enable them to think clearly and precisely.
  - (E) It was believed that a thorough knowledge of Latin would enable students not only to read the classics, but also to think clearly and precisely.

3. It is characteristic of the Metropolitan Opera, as of every major international company, that the casting is based more on the availability of singers as it is on the tastes of the music director and the public.
- (A) as of every major international company, that the casting is based more on the availability of singers as it is
  - (B) as it is of every major international company, that the casting is based more on the availability of singers than it is
  - (C) as it is of every major international company, that the casting had been based more on the availability of singers as
  - (D) as about every major international company, that casting is based more on the availability of singers than it was
  - (E) as it is of every major international company, where the casting is based more on the availability of singers than it is
4. Many scientists believe that abnormalities in brain chemistry cause clinical depression, but they have not established what these abnormalities are or how they lead to illness.
- (A) cause clinical depression, but they have not established what these abnormalities are or
  - (B) cause clinical depression, but they have not established either what these abnormalities are nor
  - (C) are the cause of clinical depression, but they have neither not established what these abnormalities are or
  - (D) are the cause of clinical depression, but they have not established either what these abnormalities are nor
  - (E) causes clinical depression, but they have not established what these abnormalities are nor
5. The investigations of many psychologists and anthropologists support the generalization of there being little that is a significant difference in the underlying mental processes manifested by people from different cultures.
- (A) of there being little that is a significant difference
  - (B) of there being little that is significantly different
  - (C) of little that is significantly different
  - (D) that there is little that is significantly different
  - (E) that there is little of significant differences

6. Retailers reported moderate gains in their November sales, as much because of their sales of a year earlier being so bad as that shoppers were getting a head start on buying their holiday gifts.
- (A) of their sales of a year earlier being so bad as that
  - (B) of their sales a year earlier having been as bad as because
  - (C) of their sales a year earlier being as bad as because
  - (D) their sales a year earlier had been so bad as because
  - (E) their sales of a year earlier were as bad as that
7. Antarctica receives more solar radiation than does any other place on Earth, yet the temperatures are so cold and the ice cap is reflective, so that little polar ice melts during the summer; otherwise, the water levels of the oceans would rise 250 feet and engulf most of the world's great cities.
- (A) is reflective, so that little polar ice melts during the summer; otherwise,
  - (B) is so reflective that little of the polar ice melts during the summer; were it to do so,
  - (C) so reflective that little polar ice melts during the summer, or else
  - (D) reflective, so that little of the polar ice melts during the summer, or
  - (E) reflects so that little of the polar ice melts during the summer; if it did
8. In the mid-1960's a newly installed radar warning system mistook the rising of the mood as a massive missile attack by the Soviets.
- (A) the rising of the mood as a massive missile attack by the Soviets
  - (B) moon rising to a massive missile attack by the Soviets
  - (C) rising of the moon for a massive Soviet missile attack
  - (D) moon as it was rising for a massive Soviet missile attack
  - (E) rise of the moon as a massive Soviet missile attack
9. No sooner had Andrea del Sarto traveled to France to work for the French king but his wife persuaded him to return to Italy.
- (A) but his wife persuaded him to return
  - (B) but his wife had him persuaded into returning
  - (C) than he was persuaded by his wife that he will return
  - (D) but he was persuaded by his wife into returning
  - (E) than his wife persuaded him to return

10. Most drivers know not only that excessive speeding on highways wastes gasoline, but also that it is dangerous.
- (A) know not only that excessive speeding on highways wastes
  - (B) know that excessive speeding on highways could be wasteful of
  - (C) are knowledgeable that excessive speeding on highways not only wastes
  - (D) have known that excessive speeding on highways wastes not only
  - (E) know that excessive speeding on highways not only by itself can waste

## **GMAT Sentence Correction Worksheet - Idioms:** **ANSWER KEY**

**Note:** Video answer explanations for each question on this worksheet can be found under the “Worksheets” heading on your back-end member page. If you still have questions about certain problems after watching the solution videos, contact your instructor or send an e-mail to [info@dominatethegmat.com](mailto:info@dominatethegmat.com).

1. **C**
2. **E**
3. **B**
4. **A**
5. **D**
6. **D**
7. **B**
8. **C**
9. **E**
10. **A**