

(b) Rewrite **One** of the following passages, converting what is in direct speech into indirect, and what is in indirect speech into direct. (05)

(i) Just as we came in sight of the valley Jamil met us,--“yes, the valley is all very fine, but do you know there is nothing to eat?”

“Nonsense; we can eat anything here.”

“Well, the brown bread’s two months old, and there’s nothing else but potatoes.”

“There must be milk anyhow.”

“Yes, there was milk”, he supposed.

(ii) Miss Andleeb said she thought English food was lovely, and that she was preparing a questionnaire to be circulated to the students of the university, with a view to finding out their eating preferences.

“But the students won’t fill up questionnaires,” said Miriam.

“Won’t fill up questionnaire?” cried Miss Andleeb, taken aback.

“No”, said Miriam, “they won’t. As a nation we are not, questionnaire-conscious.”

“Well, that’s too bad,” said Miss Andaleeb.

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Just after seeing the valley, Jamil commented that valley was ~~just~~ fine but objected that there was nothing to eat. To counter this ~~stupidity~~, he was told that they could eat anything there. He argued that the brown ~~bread~~ was two months old and there was nothing else except potatoes. He was confirmed that there must be milk. He somewhat agreed that there had been milk.

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Miss Andaleeb said, "I think English food is lovely. I am preparing a questionnaire to circulate among the students of the university to know about their eating preferences."

Miriam shared her doubt that

But Miriam told her that students would not fill up those questionnaires. Shocked to listen that, Miss Andaleeb ^{got disappointed} cried and was taken aback. Miriam regretted again and told her that as a nation they are not questionnaire-conscious. Miss Andaleeb got disappointed and said that was too bad.

Sentence corrections

→ When he came back from vacation, Aslam ~~he~~ and me plan to look for another apartment.

When he comes back from vacation ✓, Aslam and I plan to look for another apartment.

→ If some of you make a noise, they shall be punished.

If any of you make noise ✓, you will be punished.

→ He came to me to enquire what is the salary attached to the appointment.

He came to me to ~~enquire~~ what the salary ^{was} attached to the appointment ✓ ~~was~~.

→ I am too tired that I do not hunt words and idioms in my English book.

I am too tired to hunt ~~for~~ words and idioms in my English book.

→ I must walk two miles to school every morning & when I was a child.

I had to walk two miles ~~to~~ school every morning, when I was a child.

→ Guitar is ~~the~~ most popular instrument among teen age boys, but not girls.

The guitar is the most ~~popular~~ popular instrument among teenage boys, but not among girls.

→ The grass not looking green now, because it ~~is~~ is not raining since last month.

The grass does not look green now because it has not rained since last month.

→ I offered my seat to an older woman who just smiled me.

I offered my seat ~~to~~ an older woman who ~~just~~ smiled at me.

→ The crew was now on board and they soon busied themselves in preparing to meet the coming storm.

The crew was now on board and soon busied themselves preparing to meet the coming storm. ✓

→ Could I have a piece of — please?

Could I have a piece of cake please. ✓

→ Is there any sport club near by?

Is there a sports club nearby? ✓

→ The coat is quite big.

The coat is quite large. ✓

→ It's only a short travel by train.

It's only a short ~~trip~~ ^{journey} by train. ✓

→ None of the boys had learnt their lessons.

None of the boys has learnt his lessons. ✓

→ He is abusing the money of his father.

→ He is misusing the money of his father. ✓

→ I could not help but laugh.

I could not help laughing.

→ I always have and always shall be your friend.

I always ~~have been~~ and always will be your friend.

→ He cried as if he was mad.

He cried as if he were mad.

→ I was out walking when I saw the new moon in the garden.

I was out walking ~~in the~~ garden, when I saw the new moon.

→ They only work when they have no money.

They work only when they have no money.

→ They left the hotel where they had been staying in a motor-car.

They left the hotel, in a motor-car, where ~~they~~ they had been staying.

→ I cannot by no means allow you to do so.

I cannot, ↓ allow you to do ~~so~~ this
by any means. ✓

→ My friend said he never remembered having read a more enjoyable book.

My friend said he ~~had~~ never remembered reading a more enjoyable book.

→ ~~While~~ Going up the hill, an old temple was seen. ✓

~~While~~ Going up the hill, we saw an old temple.

→ One day the bird did not perform certain tricks which had taught it to his satisfaction.

One day ~~the~~ ^{his} bird did not perform certain tricks, which he had thought, to his satisfaction.

One day, (his bird did not perform) certain tricks that he taught it (to his satisfaction).

→ I was ~~rather~~ impressed by the manner of the orator than by his matter. ✓

I was more impressed ~~by~~ by the orator's manner than by his matter.

→ What an awful weather!
What awful weather. ✓

→ In the accident one of my arms was broken and my legs bruised.

In the accident, one of my ~~arms~~ was broken and my legs were bruised. ✓

→ The people who had been raising slogans against the government for many hours They wanted increase in their salaries.

The people who had been raising slogans against the government for many hours wanted an increase in their salaries. ✓

→ John could hardly do no better than to have caught a bass of such dimensions.

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John could hardly have done much better than catching a bass of such dimensions.

→ I, who have no chance to meet him, would rather go with you instead of sitting at home.

Since I have no chance to meet him, I would rather go with you instead of sitting at home.

→ He not only comes there for swimming but ~~also~~
for coaching new swimmers.

He ~~comes~~ ^{here} there not only for swimming but also for
coaching new swimmers.

→ When he visited the fair last time, he bought no less
than twenty school bags.

When he visited the fair last time, he bought no
fewer than twenty school bags.

→ We were staying at my sister's Cape Cod vacation home.

We were staying at my ~~sister's~~ Cape Cod vacation home.

→ She recommended me that I take a few days off from
work.

She recommended that I take a few days off from work.

→ I tried to explain him the problem, but he had
difficulty understanding me.

I tried to explain the problem to him, but he had
difficulty understanding me.

→ We took a tent, a cooler, and a sleeping bag.

Already correct.

→ I don't know why you didn't go. If I were you, I should have gone.

I don't know why ~~you~~ didn't. If I ~~wer~~ you, I would have gone. ✓

→ On attempting ~~the~~ to restore the picture to its original condition, almost irreparable change was discovered.

In an attempt to restore the picture to its original condition, ~~an~~ almost irreparable change was discovered. ✓

→ The child is the prettiest of the two.

This child is ~~the~~ prettier of the two. ✓

→ I was annoyed arriving late, also his rather insolent manner put me out of temper.

I was annoyed at his late arrival, ^{and} ~~this~~ rather insolent manner put ~~of~~ me out of temper. ✓

→ He is anxious not only to acquire knowledge, but also eager to display it.

He is not only anxious to acquire knowledge, but ~~he is~~ also eager to display it.

→ If he was here now, we should have no difficulty.

If he were here now, we ~~should~~ would have no difficulty.

→ People have and still do disagree on this matter.

People have disagreed and still do disagree on this matter.

→ He complied with the requirement that all graduate students in education should write a thesis.

He complied with the requirement that all graduate students in education must write a thesis.

→ ~~No sooner~~ ^{did I leave} we left the shop it began to rain.

~~As soon as we left the shop,~~ ^{Then} it began to rain.

→ My boss agreed with my plan.

Already correct.

→ If he was here, he would be as wise as he was during the war.

If he were here, he would have been as wise as he had been during the war.

#→ You get hungry for all the work you have to do.

You get hungry because of all the work you have to do.

→ I prefer the fifth act of Shakespeare King Lear the best of all.

I prefer King Lear, the fifth ~~act~~ of Shakespeare, which is the best of all acts.

→ ~~The bell rang.~~

→ After finishing my lecture, the bell rang.

After I finished my lecture, the bell rang.

→ We ~~needed~~ not be afraid.

We did not need ~~to~~ be afraid.

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