

Std.: 10 (English)

KIRAN TUTORIALS**English Booster****Q.1 Change the degree.****50****1** Nothing is as colossal as our problems.**Ans** Nothing is more colossal than our problems.

or

Our problems are the most colossal.

2 He was the most trusting person I had ever met. (Superlative degree)**Ans** I had not met anyone as trusting as him. (Comparative degree)**3** What you did for him was your most important business.**Ans** Nothing is more important than what you did for him.

or

Nothing is as important as what you did for him.

4 The biggest challenge knocking on the doors of humankind is fear and intolerance.**Ans** No other challenge knocking on the doors of humankind is as big as fear and intolerance.

or

Fear and intolerance are bigger than any other challenges knocking on the doors of humankind.

5 That's the best thing that has ever happened to me.**Ans** Nothing better than this has ever happened to me.

or

Nothing as good as this has ever happened to me.

6 It was the best evening in her life.**Ans** It was a better evening than any other in her life.(Comparative degree)

No other evening was as good as that evening in her life.(Positive degree)

7 It is the highest civilian award in the US.**Ans** No other award is higher than this in the US.

or

No other award is as high as this in the US.

8 No other thing is as majestic as a tree full of leaves, flowers, birds and life.**Ans** No other thing is more majestic than a tree full of leaves, flowers, birds and life.

or

A tree full of leaves, flowers, birds and life is the most majestic thing.

9 It was as if I was the most important person in his world.**Ans** It was as if I was more important than any other person in his world.**10** The simplest answer seemed to be to sing the lines.**Ans** No other answer seemed as simple as to sing the lines.*Where Success begins...*

or

No other answer seemed more simple than to sing the lines.

11 The biggest challenge knocking on the doors of humankind is fear and intolerance.

Ans No other challenge knocking on the doors of humankind is bigger than fear and intolerance.

or

No other challenge knocking on the doors of humankind is as big as fear and intolerance.

12 My young friend here and I were engaged in the greatest activity of which a human being is capable.

Ans My young friend here and I were engaged in an activity as great as a human being is capable.

13 That is the best thing that has ever happened to me.

Ans No other thing as good as this has ever happened to me.

or

No other thing better than this has ever happened to me.

14 Reed college perhaps offered the best calligraphy instruction in the country.

Ans Reed college offered better calligraphy instruction than any other in the country.

15 He achieved the greatest honour of leading a fly-past of over a hundred IAF aircraft over the Red Fort in Delhi.

Ans He achieved the honour no greater than that of leading a fly-past of over a hundred IAF aircraft over the Red Fort in Delhi.

16 Expenses had been greater than she had calculated.

Ans Expenses had not been lesser than she had calculated.

17 There was no other military leader greater than Arjan Singh. *Where Success begins...*

Ans There was no other military leader as great as Arjan Singh.

or

Arjan Singh was the greatest military leader.

18 The prices were higher than I had thought.

Ans The prices were not as high as I had thought.

19 Daulatabad is one of the best preserved forts in Maharashtra. (Superlative degree)

Ans Very few preserved forts in Maharashtra are as good as Daulatabad. (Positive degree)

20 There is no greater violence than to deny the dreams of our children.

Ans There is no violence as great as denying the dreams of our children.

or

The greatest violence is to deny the dreams of our children.

21 Some replied that the most important thing in the world was science.

Ans Some replied that there was nothing more important in the world than science.

or

Some replied that there was nothing as important in the world as science.

22 There is no greater violence than to deny the dreams of our children.

Ans There is no violence as great as to deny the dreams of our children.

or

To deny the dreams of our children is the greatest violence.

23 This was the cheapest dish on the menu.

Ans No other dish was cheaper than this on the menu.

or

No other dish was as cheap as this on the menu.

24 He was the kindest person I ever met.

Ans I have never met a kinder person than him.

or

I have never met a person as kind as him.

25 Nothing is more important than what you did for him.

Ans Nothing is as important as what you did for him.

or

This is the most important of all the things you did for him.

26 The old man resolves to sail out farther than all the other fishermen.

Ans The old man resolves to sail out the farthest.

27 The most important time was when you were digging the beds.

Ans The time more important than any other was when you were digging the beds.

28 Jim stopped inside the door, as immovable as a setterat at the scent of quail.

Ans Jim stopped inside the door, not more immovable than a setterat the scent of quail.

29 I was as rich as an oil rich sheikh. (Positive degree)

Ans An oil rich sheik was not richer than me. (Comparative degree)

30 The most important time was when you were digging the beds.

Ans No time was more important than when you were digging the beds.

or

No time was as important as when you were digging the beds.

31 Singh had the distinction of having the longest tenure as AOC of an operational base.

Ans No other officer had the distinction of having a tenure longer than Singh's as AOC of an operational base.

or

No other person had the distinction of having as long a tenure as AOC of an operational base as Singh.

32 The warriors were the most necessary.

Ans No other persons were more necessary than warriors.

33 He was the only officer to attain the highest post of Marshal. (Superlative degree)

Ans No other officer had attained a post as high as that of Marshal. (Positive degree)

34 Sachin was the smartest person I had ever met.

Ans No other person I had ever met was as smart as Sachin.

or

Sachin was smarter than any other person I had ever met.

35 What was the most important occupation?

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Ans What occupation was more important than this?

36 Italy has the highest number of world heritage sights.

Ans No other city has as high a number of world heritage sights as Italy.

or

No other city has a higher number of world heritage sights than Italy.

37 The king put on clothes as simple as a common man's.

Ans The king put on clothes not simpler than a common man's.

38 A Brief History of Time also wasn't as easy to understand as some had hoped.

Ans A Brief History of Time also wasn't the easiest to understand as some had hoped.

39 Of all who give gifts, these two were the wisest.

Ans Of all who give gifts, there was no one as wise as these two.

or

Of all who give gifts, there was no one wiser than these two.

40 You think raising a siege is as easy as chasing a cow out of a meadow. (Positive degree)

Ans You think raising a siege is easier than chasing a cow out of a meadow. (Comparative degree)

41 Anant was better than her in many other things.

Ans Anant was not as good as her in many other things.

42 A delicate spider's web is the strongest of all.

Ans Nothing is as strong as a delicate spider's web.

or

Nothing is stronger than a delicate spider's web.

43 So he was the most important man and what you did for him was your most important business.

Ans So he was more important than any man and what you did for him was your most important business.

44 I was the most important person in the world.

Ans There was no one more important than me in the world.

Or

There was no one as important as me in the world.

45 You're as mad as she is. (Positive degree)

Ans She is not madder than you. (Comparative degree)

46 The most necessary person is the one with whom you are.

Ans The one with whom you are is more necessary than any other.

47 There is no gentleman as kind as Squire Jack.

Ans There is no gentleman kinder than Squire Jack.

or

Squire Jack is the kindest gentleman.

48 Looking back, it was one of the best decisions I ever made.

Ans Looking back, it was one of the better decisions I ever made.

49 The shortest way to save your skin is to run away.

Ans There is no other way as short as this to save your skin and run away.

or

There is no other way shorter than this to save your skin and run away.

50 I knew as much about Bach as I did about nuclear physics.

Ans I did not know more about Bach than I did about nuclear physics.

Q.2 Pick out the Modal auxiliary and State its function

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1 I may go to Pune next week. (Pick out the modal auxiliary and state its function)

Ans May - Possibility

2 Abhi could perform well in his exams. (Pick out the modal auxiliary and state its function)

Ans Could - Ability

3 They may come to my house tomorrow. (Pick out the auxiliary and state its kind)

Ans May - possibility

4 It may rain late in the evening. (Pick out the Modal auxiliary and State its function)

Ans May - Possibility

5 It might rain this evening. (Pick out the modal auxiliary and state its function)

Ans Might - Probability

6 You can do that work easily. (Pick out the modal auxiliary and state its function)

Ans Can - Ability

7 Students must be punctual in their work. (Pick out the modal auxiliary and state its function)

Ans must - Necessity.

8 She needs to fill in this form. (Pick out the modal auxiliary and state its function)

Ans Needs - Necessity

9 I must tell the truth. (Pick out the modal auxiliary and state its function)

Ans must - Compulsion.

10 You must remain silent. (Pick out the modal auxiliary and state its function)

Ans Must - Compulsion

Q.3 Convert the given sentences into Simple / compound / complex sentences.

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1 Towards the end of the 1962 war, he was appointed as the Deputy Chief of the Air Staff and he became the Vice Chief of the Air Staff in 1963. (Rewrite as simple sentence)

Ans Being appointed as the Deputy Chief of the Air Staff, towards the end of the 1962 war he became the Vice Chief of the Air Staff in 1963.

2 Because there is a law such as gravity, the universe can and will create itself from nothing. (Rewrite as compound sentence)

Ans There is a law of gravity and the universe can and will create itself from nothing.

3 The 21 year old college student made his home at a medical clinic, where he underwent a series of tests.

(Rewrite as simple sentence)

Ans The 21 year old college student made his home at a medical clinic, undergoing a series of tests.

4 I like songs that have words (Rewrite as simple sentence)

Ans I like songs with words

5 They took care of everything which helped me to focus on my boxing. (Rewrite as simple sentence)

Ans They took care of everything helping me to focus on my boxing.

6 It is important that we ask this question to ourselves. (Rewrite as simple sentence)

Ans It is important for us to ask ourselves this question.

7 We had done our homework and we were well prepared. (Rewrite as complex sentence)

Ans We had done our homework so that we were well prepared.

8 I met with a Sudanese child soldier he was kidnapped by an extremist militia (Rewrite as a complex sentence)

Ans I met with a Sudanese child who was kidnapped by an extremist militia.

9 It was an ideal site due to its proximity to the magnetic equator. (Rewrite as compound sentence)

Ans It had proximity to the magnetic equator and hence it was an ideal site.

10 He began to cough and gasp and had to be given oxygen from the cylinder. (Rewrite as complex sentence)

Ans He began to cough and gasp so much that he had to be given oxygen from the cylinder.

11 He remained a flyer to the end of his tenure in IAF, visiting forward bases and units. (Rewrite as complex sentence)

Ans remained a flyer to the end of his tenure in IAF, when he visited forward bases and units.

12 I was scoring but the judges were not pressing the buttons. (Rewrite as compound sentence)

Ans Although I was scoring ,the judges were not pressing the buttons.

13 Friends, the Nobel Committee has generously invited me to present a lecture. I am unable to do that. (Rewrite as a compound sentence)

Ans Friends, the Nobel Committee has generously invited me to present a lecture but I am unable to do that.

14 The prayers which she uttered endlessly, came unbidden to her lips. (Rewrite as compound sentence)

Ans The prayers came unbidden to her lips and she uttered them endlessly.

15 It's easy to rob a greedy man, because he can afford to be robbed. (Rewrite as compound sentence)

Ans It's easy to rob a greedy man for he can afford to be robbed.

16 You would have gone back and killed that man. (Rewrite as simple sentence)

Ans You would have gone back to kill that man.

17 I have the privilege of working with many courageous people who have the same aim. (Rewrite as simple sentence)

Ans I have the privilege of working with many courageous people, having the same aim.

18 You have fifty armed soldiers and dozens of strong servants to carry out my orders. (Rewrite as complex sentence)

Ans You have fifty armed soldiers and dozens of strong servants who can carry out my orders.

19 She had seen how the doctors had shaken their heads gravely. (Rewrite as simple sentence)

Ans She had seen the doctors shake their heads gravely.

20 Then she went up the steps that led to the wings.(Rewrite as simple sentence)

Ans Then she went up the steps leading to the wings.

21 It freed me to enter one of the most creative periods in my life. (Rewrite as compound sentence)

Ans I became free and I entered one of the most creative periods in my life.

22 Friends, the Nobel Committee has generously invited me to present a lecture. I am unable to do that. (Rewrite as compound sentence)

Ans Friends, the Nobel Committee has generously invited me to present a lecture but I am unable to do that.

23 She was only 18 years old when she made her international debut. (Rewrite as compound sentence)

Ans She was only 18 years old and she made her international debut.

24 This is an approach which has never let me down.(Rewrite as simple sentence)

Ans This approach has never let me down.

25 They knew that he did not have many days to live. But they did not voice their fears. (Rewrite as complex sentence)

Ans Although they knew that he did not have many days to live, they did not voice their fears.

26 At the age of 21, Hawking was diagnosed with ALS.(Rewrite as complex sentence)

Ans It was at the age of 21 that Hawking was diagnosed with ALS *Where Success begins...*

27 I'd like to understand music so that I could understand Bach. (Rewrite as simple sentence)

Ans I'd like to understand music to understand Bach.

28 I awoke late next morning to find that Anil had already made the tea. (Rewrite as compound sentence)

Ans I awoke late next morning and found that Anil had already made the tea.

29 I have the privilege of working with many courageous people who have the same aim. (Rewrite as simple sentence)

Ans I have the privilege of working with many courageous people, having the same aim.

30 He took me to his room and told me I could sleep on the balcony. (Rewrite as complex sentence)

Ans He told me I could sleep on the balcony when he took me to his room.

31 The short information book became an account of cosmology. (Rewrite as complex sentence)

Ans The short book which was full of information, was an account of cosmology.

32 Anil was watching a wrestling match, when I approached him. (Rewrite as compound sentence)

Ans Anil was watching a wrestling match and / however I approached him.

33 I had more marks on my face, though mine, were mostly scars. (Rewrite as simple sentence)

Ans I had more marks, mostly scars, on my face.

34 When you are better, we can go for the concert. (Rewrite as compound sentence)

Ans You get better and we can go for the concert.

35 The hermit lived in a small hut In the forest but he never left it. (Rewrite as complex sentence)

Ans The hermit lived in a hut in a forest which he never left.

36 I met with a Sudanese child soldier he was kidnapped by an extremist militia (Rewrite as a complex sentence)

Ans I met with a Sudanese child who was kidnapped by an extremist militia.

37 It was a very excited Smita who came home that night. (Rewrite as compound sentence)

Ans Smita came home that night and she was very excited.

38 I returned the coke bottles for 5 cents. (Rewrite as complex sentence)

Ans I returned the coke bottles so that I got 5 cents.

39 As physical control over his body diminished, the effects of his disease started to slow down. (Rewrite as compound sentence)

Ans The physical control over his body diminished and the effects of his disease started to slow down.

40 When she was alone with Aunt Sushila, Smita cried out. (Rewrite as simple sentence)

Ans Alone with Aunt Sushila, Smita cried out.

41 It is the important time because we have the power. (Rewrite as compound sentence)

Ans We have the power and so it is the most important time.

42 Science accelerates progress (Rewrite as complex sentence)

Ans It is science that accelerates progress.

43 There is something about her. It may be worth trying. (Rewrite as complex sentence)

Ans There is something about her which may be worth trying.

44 Mary Kom's career started in 2000 after her victory in the manipur state women's boxing championship. (Rewrite as simple sentence)

Ans Mary Kom's career started in 2000 following her victory in the Manipur state women's boxing championship.

45 The girl enters. She is a well built strong country girl of 17 to 18 years. (Rewrite as complex sentence)

Ans The girl who is well built, strong country girl of 17 to 18 years, enters.

Q.4 Add a Question Tag:

1 Let us start now.

Ans Let us start now, **shall we?**

2 Nobody phoned.

Ans Nobody phoned, **did they?**

3 Listen.

Ans Listen, **will you?**

4 He won't tell her.

Ans He won't tell her, **will he?**

5 Cars pollute the environment.

Ans Cars pollute the environment, **don't they?**

6 She had a red car.

Ans She had a red car, **didn't she?**

7 He knows nobody in the colony.

Ans He knows nobody in the colony, **does he?**

8 He could have bought a new car.

Ans He could have bought a new car, **couldn't he?**

9 Have some more rice.

Ans Have some more rice, **will you?**

10 Anjali dances very well.

Ans Anjali dances very well, **doesn't she?**

11 I am looking after the garden.

Ans I am looking after the garden, **aren't I?**

12 It is an expensive place.

Ans It is an expensive place, **isn't it?**

13 We can't permit this.

Ans We can't permit this, **can we?**

14 You will come tomorrow.

Ans You will come tomorrow, **won't you?**

15 You fell on your back.

Ans You fell on your back, **didn't you?**

16 There is a mosque in that street.

Ans There is a mosque in that street, **isn't there?**

17 They rarely eat in restaurants.

Ans They rarely eat in restaurants, **do they?**

18 He won't be studying tonight.

Ans He won't be studying tonight, **will he?**

19 I shouldn't have lost my temper.

Ans I shouldn't have lost my temper, **should I?**

20 Let's go to the beach.

Ans Let's go to the beach, **shall we?**

21 Don't drop that vase.

Ans Don't drop that vase, **will you?**

22 I do not now live in this colony.

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Ans I do not now live in this colony, **do I?**

23 Few people know that your are an artist.

Ans Few people know that your are an artist, **do they?**

24 I'm clever.

Ans I'm clever, **aren't I?**

25 The Bishnois of Rajasthan protect trees and animals.

Ans The Bishnois of Rajasthan protect trees and animals, **don't they?**

26 Sing a song.

Ans Sing a song, **will you?**

27 Your mother is at home.

Ans Your mother is at home, **isn't she?**

28 You don't like sugar in your coffee.

Ans You don't like sugar in your coffee, **do you?**

29 He didn't recognize me.

Ans He didn't recognize me, **did he?**

30 Let's go out tonight.

Ans Let's go out tonight, **shall we?**

31 Nothing can happen.

Ans Nothing can happen, **can it?**

32 He can't wait for the classes to begin.

Ans He can't wait for the classes to begin, **can he?**

33 John and Max don't like maths.

Ans John and Max don't like maths, **do they?**

34 George broke the glass.

Ans George broke the glass, **didn't he?**

35 I'm too impatient.

Ans I'm too impatient, **aren't I?**

36 She offered to help the traveller.

Ans She offered to help the traveller, **didn't she?**

37 Let's go to a restaurant.

Ans Let's go to a restaurant, **shall we?**

38 He shook hands with her.

Ans He shook hands with her, **didn't he?**

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39 It is quite hot outside today.

Ans It is quite hot outside today, **isn't it?**

40 We often watch TV in the afternoon.

Ans We often watch TV in the afternoon, **don't we?**

41 You have cleaned your bike.

Ans You have cleaned your bike, **haven't you?**

42 There is little we can do about it.

Ans There is little we can do about it, **isn't there?**

43 Peter played handball yesterday.

Ans Peter played handball yesterday, **didn't he?**

44 Let's go to the beach.

Ans Let's go to the beach, **shall we?**

45 She went to the library.

Ans She went to the library, **didn't she?**

46 He'd never met her before.

Ans He'd never met her before, **would he?**

47 The house needs immediate repairing.

Ans The house needs immediate repairing, **doesn't it?**

48 They went to the cinema.

Ans They went to the cinema, **didn't they?**

49 Wait a minute.

Ans Wait a minute, **can you?**

50 Open the window .

Ans Open the window, **will you?**

51 John will be here tomorrow.

Ans John will be here tomorrow, **won't he?**

52 Open a window.

Ans Open a window, **will you?**

53 Both Ram and Shyam are engineers.

Ans Both Ram and Shyam are engineers, **aren't they?**

54 Stop daydreaming.

Ans Stop daydreaming, **will / won't you?**

55 Mary didn't do her homework.

Ans Mary didn't do her homework, **did she?**

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56 I am attractive.

Ans I am attractive, **aren't I?**

57 You wouldn't tell anyone.

Ans You wouldn't tell anyone, **would you?**

58 Shut up.

Ans Shut up, **will you?**

59 You are the new secretary.

Ans You are the new secretary, **aren't you?**

60 This isn't very interesting.

Ans This isn't very interesting, **is this?**

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