English Spelling: Hard Practice Paper 5 Answers

Q#	Answer	Explanation
1	A	‘guage’ should be spelled ‘gauge’. The a comes before the u: g-a-u-g-e. The mistake is in group A.
2	D	‘questionaire’ should be spelled ‘questionnaire’. It comes from French and keeps two n letters before the -aire. The mistake is in group D.
3	C	‘rediculous’ should be spelled ‘ridiculous’. It is built on ridicule, so it opens with rid-, not red-. The mistake is in group C.
4	B	‘vaccum’ should be spelled ‘vacuum’. It has one c and then two u letters: vac-u-um. The mistake is in group B.
5	E	Every word here is spelled correctly. Scheduled begins with the sch of school, and twelve keeps the ve of its ending. So there is no mistake in this sentence.
6	B	‘hankerchief’ should be spelled ‘handkerchief’. It joins hand to kerchief, so there is a silent d in the middle. The mistake is in group B.
7	D	‘persuit’ should be spelled ‘pursuit’. It goes with pursue, which begins pur-, not per-. The mistake is in group D.
8	A	‘accidently’ should be spelled ‘accidentally’. It is accidental plus -ly, so the al is kept before the l. The mistake is in group A.
9	E	Every word here is spelled correctly. Twelfth keeps the f of twelve before the th, and December begins with a capital letter as the months do. So there is no mistake in this sentence.
10	C	‘wether’ should be spelled ‘whether’. It needs the wh of which and when; wether without the h is a male sheep. The mistake is in group C.

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