

Lesson 10

Strategies in Error Recognition

In Error Recognition you will be given one sentence with four words or phrase underlined.

One of the words or phrases is incorrect.

It should be corrected or rewritten to make the sentence conform to standard English usage.

There are twenty questions in this part.

In your actual test book, you will see:

All pilots must <u>be</u>^A members of the National Pilots Association and <u>must</u> <u>pay</u>^B <u>his</u>^C national dues <u>before</u>^D January 1.

Let`s try to analyze:

Choice A: be

Be is the correct verb form following the auxiliary *must*.

Choice B: must pay

Must pay is a correct verb form. It matches the verb *must be* in the first clause

Choice C: his

He is an incorrect singular pronoun. Pronouns must refer to an antecedent. In this sentence, the nouns are plural. Therefore, the pronoun must be members of the National Pilots Association and must pay their national dues before January 1. the underlined word his does not agree in number with the antecedent members. Therefore, you should mark the oval (C) on your answer sheet.

Choice D: before

Before is an appropriate preposition.