The School Bell

When we pass by a school, the most interesting thing which catches our eyes is the school bell hanging outside the veranda. It is quite usual for a school to have a bell, and the School bell is so effective that it can cause a vast crowd to assemble, though they are scattered widely. It is no less powerful than even a general's command.

A school must have a bell because its sound denotes the beginning of each lesson and the ending of it.

My liking for the school bell is changeable. Sometimes I like it, but sometimes I hate it. I love it when the lesson is dull. I keep looking at the watch and yearning for the bell to ring. I hate it during the composition period and other interesting lessons because it is rung too soon. I have to write very quickly and strain my brain so much so that I feel fatigued afterwards. Also during examinations, I have to give in my paper with a sigh as the essay or the questions is not finished yet.

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Can You Fill My House?

1. Sharp-pencil .
2. Look at .
4. Sate .
5. 16. A forest tree .
7. The short word of Georgia .
8. Verb to be .
10. Scoops, slay .
12. Obtain .
13. Enter again .
14. 11. The short word of Semitic .
15. Jump .

PETER: Do you know where hell is ?
MOCK: In Paradise.

PETER: What ?
MOCK: I mean in some part of our "Earthly Paradise".

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D. A.

MOTHER: Oh, it will rain cats and dogs.

CHILD: But I hope it will rain kittens and puppies.

L. Y. T. (King's College)

D. A.

PAUL: If you commit such sins again your soul would never be saved.

COBBLER: Don't worry. I'll mend it myself.

J. Lai

Regarding "Due to" and "Owing to"

In the following sentences "Due to" and "Owing to" are misused:

1. Due to his laziness he failed in the examination.
2. His failure is not owing to his laziness.

In the first sentence "Due to" has an adversative function but is usually an adjectival phrase. In the second sentence "owing to" does the work of an adjectival phrase which is also wrong. The adjectives should be rephrased as follows:

1. owing to his laziness
2. his failure is not due to his laziness.

Such

The word "Such" should always be followed by "as".

Wrong: This is such a book which I expected it to be.
Right: This is such a book as I expected it to be.
Wrong: His behaviour was such which could not be pardoned.
Right: His behaviour was such as could not be pardoned.

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At sweet "Can you fill my house"