**Task 1 Common mistakes**

(1) The unemployment rate in Spain rose by 2% between 2008 and 2009, whereas Canada decreased by about 1%.

(2) The population of the US is expected to reach over 400 million people in 2060.

(3) The number of visitors to the museum increased by 10% in 2005, while the rate of the park decreased by 5 % in the year.

(4) In 2002, the sales in July gradually dropped to hit the lowest point in October.