

A. Identifying Topic, Supporting, and Concluding Sentences

_____ . In the daytime, they sleep hanging by their feet. The baby bat hangs onto its mother while they both sleep. During the night, bats hunt for food. Their main food is insects. When they fly out at night, bats must look out for such enemies as hawks, owls, cats, and snakes.

1. *Choose the topic sentence that best fits the paragraph.*

- a. Bats usually have one baby.
- b. Bats eat various kinds of food.
- c. Bats sleep during the day and fly at night.
- d. Bats can hang by their feet.

(1) In the water cycle, water is evaporated into the atmosphere by the sun's energy. (2) The water vapor is then carried by the wind, condenses, and forms clouds. (3) Eventually, the water falls as precipitation, rain, or snow. (4) Evaporation occurs again, and the cycle continues.

2. *Where does the following sentence fit best in the paragraph?*

Some of the water is absorbed by plants; some sinks into the ground or flow as runoff into lakes and streams.

- a. as the topic sentence
- b. as the concluding sentence
- c. before sentence two
- d. after sentence three

Packing for a trip is never easy, but here are some tips that will help you pack better. Bring clothes that are lightweight and blend in color so that you can mix and match. _____. Put heavy things on the bottom of your suitcase. Don't bring too much. Follow these tips for carefree packing.

3. *Which sentence best fills the blank in the paragraph?*

- a. Roll up knits so they don't wrinkle.
- b. Some people take several trips a year.
- c. It might be time for you to get a new suitcase.
- d. Taking a trip is fun and exciting.

Potatoes can be cooked in many ways. Baked potatoes and mashed potatoes are two popular dishes. Then there are French and fried potatoes. Of course, there is also tasty potato salad. And don't forget potato pancakes and potato chips. _____.

4. *Which sentence best concludes the paragraph?*

- a. Many potatoes are grown in the state of Idaho.
- b. The potato is a vegetable that grows in the ground.
- c. A potato can last a long time without spoiling.
- d. There must be dozens of ways to cook potatoes.

B. Punctuation

5. *Which sentence does NOT have the correct punctuation?*

- a. Ken eats lots of carrots.
- b. Where is the cat.
- c. I'm so glad to see you!
- d. Whose skates are on the steps?

6. *Which sentence does NOT have the correct punctuation?*

- a. Will Jack read this book?
- b. Please hand in your project tomorrow.
- c. Can you help me carry the bags?
- d. We're so excited about the contest?

7. *Which sentence does NOT use the comma correctly?*

- a. Gil has to do homework, but he will help you first.
- b. You need baking soda, water, and a small bottle.
- c. You will need a new library card in January 2006.
- d. "My house is on the next corner" Gina explained.

8. *Which sentence does NOT use the comma correctly?*

- a. Henry Crown Space Center is in Chicago, Illinois.
- b. My grandmother was born on January 1 1940.
- c. Smart foods that are good for you include yogurt, bananas, beans, and cheese.
- d. Matt and Brenda have cats, and I have a turtle.

9. *Look at the underlined part of the sentence. Choose the answer that shows the correct punctuation for that part. If the underlined part is correct, mark "Correct as is."*

At the football game we yelled, "go Hawks!"

- a. yelled, Go
- b. yelled, go
- c. yelled, "Go
- d. Correct as is

10. *Choose the sentence that uses quotation marks correctly.*

- a. Did you read Emily Dickinson's poem "Not in Vain"?
- b. Did you read Emily Dickinson's poem Not in Vain"?
- c. Did you read Emily Dickinson's poem "Not in Vain?
- d. Did you read Emily Dickinson's poem Not in Vain?

C. Subject-Verb Agreement

11. Which sentence has the incorrect verb form?

- a. This tree lose its leaves in autumn.
- b. Rain forests receive at least 70 inches of rain each year.
- c. Mountain animals include sheep, mountain lions, and the llama.
- d. These birds feed on seeds and insects.

12. Which sentence has the incorrect verb form?

- a. Everybody looks funny with those tall hats!
- b. He recycle paper, cans, and bottles.
- c. Mark only buys earth-friendly products.
- d. None of my friends likes my singing.

13. Which sentence has the incorrect verb form?

- a. Our team wears red and silver.
- b. Everybody likes Mr. Howell.
- c. They play that song in every show.
- d. Everything feel damp and heavy.

14. Which sentence has the incorrect verb form?

- a. Not everybody likes bananas.
- b. A knot is the measure of speed on the water.
- c. Samantha and Xavier walks to school every day.
- d. Most of the world uses the metric system.

15. Which sentence has the incorrect verb form?

- a. Pete pitches a baseball at a speed of 40 miles per hour.
- b. Everything look exciting.
- c. Gravity pulls objects toward Earth's center.
- d. In space, a person's legs become longer and thinner.

16. Which sentence has the incorrect verb form?

- a. A blue star reaches a temperature of 37,000 F.
- b. The Ural Mountains divide the continents of Asia and Europe.
- c. Thick blankets of ice cover most of Greenland.
- d. The longest highway in the world stretch between Alaska and Chile.

17. Which sentence has the incorrect verb form?

- a. Mike has written four postcards.
- b. You have tore your shirt.
- c. Mr. Valgema brought a cake.
- d. Selena has taken guitar lessons for six years.

18. Which sentence has the incorrect verb form?

- a. The kitten drank all the milk in the bowl
- b. The flag blew in the wind.
- c. Yesterday we drawn maps of the United States.
- d. In yesterday's hockey game, I fell twice.