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1.

**alley** 1. narrow street behind a building. 2. walkway in a garden surrounded by shrubs.  
3. long, narrow floor where a ball is rolled. 4. fitting a person's natural ability or talent.

Which definition from the dictionary entry above BEST fits the meaning of *alley* in the sentence below?

Marsha took the garbage from the restaurant's kitchen out to the alley.

A. definition 1

B. definition 2

C. definition 3

D. definition 4

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2. Which of these is a declarative sentence?

A. Please be careful; that bird can be dangerous!

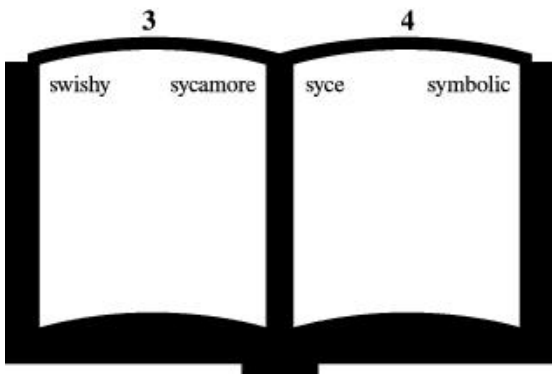
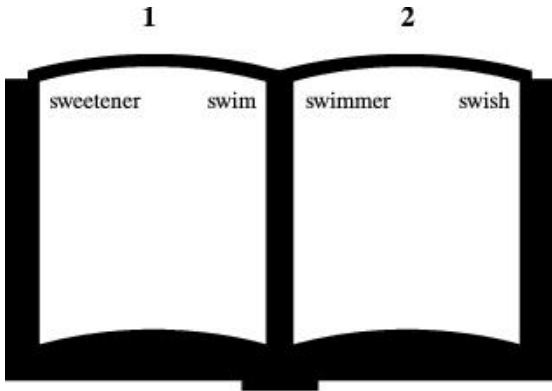
B. We went for a hike and saw several brown thrashers.

C. On your hike, will you look for birds native to Georgia?

D. Find information and write a report on Georgia's state bird.

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3. Use the dictionary pages below to answer this question



On which dictionary page above would you find the word *swoop*?

- A. 1
- B. 2
- C. 3
- D. 4

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4. Ellen is looking for information about Paul Revere. Where would she look to see if the book *America 1770–1780* included this information?

- A. the bibliography
  - B. the title page
  - C. the glossary
  - D. the index
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5. What is the purpose of this sentence below?

I found it!

- A. make a statement
  - B. ask a question
  - C. make a request
  - D. state a strong feeling
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6. Which verb is written in the past tense?

- A. run
  - B. hopes
  - C. played
  - D. jumping
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7.

Mr. Lester ordered coffee and muffins for himself and his wife.

In the sentence above, which part of speech are the underlined words?

- A. nouns
  - B. adverbs
  - C. pronouns
  - D. adjectives
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8. What is plagiarism?

- A. putting text into your own words
  - B. condensing information into a briefer form
  - C. copying another writer's work without giving credit
  - D. scanning text in order to find mistakes in punctuation and grammar
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9.

The dog is running with his tail wagging.

Which word should replace the underlined word to change the sentence to past tense?

- A. are
  - B. was
  - C. were
  - D. will be
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10. Jeremy is writing a paper on plants. His book, *The Growing Garden*, uses the word *photosynthesis*. He is unsure what it means. What would be the BEST place for him to find out what the word means?

- A. the index
  - B. the bibliography
  - C. the title page
  - D. the glossary
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11. What type of sentence is the one below?

Would you please show me how to bake chocolate chip cookies?

- A. declarative
  - B. interrogative
  - C. imperative
  - D. exclamatory
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12. Which sentence is written correctly?

- A. Lonnie is surprised that its already time for school.
  - B. It's fur was thick and shiny.
  - C. "Why is it always cold on Saturday? David said with a frown.
  - D. "It's amazing how big you have gotten," Molly's aunt said.
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13.

It was the last day of summer vacation. Amy and Roger wanted to go to the beach. After much begging, Mom and Dad decided to take them. Amy, Roger, Mom, and Dad built sandcastles and swam all day long. Last night we had chicken for dinner. The family enjoyed their day at the beach.

Which sentence does NOT belong in the paragraph?

- A. Amy and Roger wanted to go to the beach.
  - B. After much begging, Mom and Dad decided to take them.
  - C. Amy, Roger, Mom and Dad built sandcastles and swam all day long.
  - D. Last night we had chicken for dinner.
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14.

**de•ter•mine** [di túrmin] *verb* 1. to find out or ascertain something, usually after investigation 2. to decide or settle something conclusively 3. to influence or give form to something 4. to fix the limits or form of something

Based on the dictionary entry above, which of the following BEST describes what is found within the brackets?

- A. the pronunciation of determine
  - B. the part of speech for determine
  - C. the definition of the word determine
  - D. the word determine divided into syllables
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15.

Joseph lost his wallet on the ride at the amusement park.

Which word does *his* refer to in the sentence above?

- A. Joseph
  - B. lost
  - C. ride
  - D. park
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16. Which would be the BEST source for information about the years in which Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. was alive?

- A. atlas
  - B. thesaurus
  - C. dictionary
  - D. encyclopedia
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17.

Tia, my cousin, is the smartest student in the IQ Bowl.

What type of sentence is shown above?

- A. imperative
  - B. declarative
  - C. exclamatory
  - D. interrogative
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18.

Joe will attend soccer practice tomorrow.

The underlined word in the sentence is used as

- A. a verb.
  - B. a noun.
  - C. an adjective.
  - D. a preposition.
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19.

Early one morning, Richard was walking his dog, Buck, when he noticed something move in the bushes beside him. He stopped to have a look when suddenly Buck started barking and pulling at his leash. Buck is a brown and white cocker spaniel. Buck pulled the leash from Richard's hands and sprang into the bushes.

Which sentence from the passage contains unrelated information?

- A. Early one morning, Richard was walking his dog, Buck, when he noticed something move in the bushes beside him.
  - B. He stopped to have a look when suddenly Buck started barking and pulling at his leash.
  - C. Buck is a brown and white cocker spaniel.
  - D. Buck pulled the leash from Richard's hands and sprang into the bushes.
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20. Which reference book would be the best source to find a picture of James Edward Oglethorpe?

- A. almanac
  - B. thesaurus
  - C. dictionary
  - D. encyclopedia
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21. Which is a compound sentence?

- A. After the movie ended, the children walked slowly out of the theater.
  - B. The math teacher assigned four pages of homework to the fifth-grade students.
  - C. The football players and coaches ate steak, baked potatoes, and strawberry shortcake for their pre-game meal.
  - D. The Girl Scouts were excited about their camping trip, but the adults were worried about the weather.
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22.

It was summertime, and Rebecca felt uneasy about the next two and a half months. Rebecca did not know how to swim. Therefore, she never went near the swimming pool. She was afraid that if she fell in, she would drown. \_\_\_\_\_, her brother was having quite a good time in the kiddy pool. He was only two years old so it was okay for him to be in there. Rebecca remembered the days when she swam in the kiddy pool. She had to get over her fears and make the big pool her new home for the summer.

Which transitional word should go between the paragraphs?

- A. Indeed
  - B. Therefore
  - C. Meanwhile
  - D. Furthermore
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23. Which letter closing is punctuated correctly?

- A. Yours, truly
  - B. Best. wishes
  - C. Sincerely yours,
  - D. Warmest regards:
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24.

Jim had several chores to do. He had to finish them before he could play with his friends. Cleaning his room was the first job on his list. Jim also had to wash the dishes and put them away.

Which would make a good closing sentence for the paragraph?

- A. Jim's room is always a mess, especially all of the clothes on the floor.
  - B. Jim does not like sweeping the pine needles off of the driveway.
  - C. Jim's chores did not take him long and he was back outside.
  - D. Jim had to take out the trash.
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25.

<sup>1</sup>Their new house was smaller than their old one. <sup>2</sup>However, Jana did not really mind sharing her room with Marie. <sup>3</sup>Jana had her own room in the old house, but here she had to share one with her younger sister. <sup>4</sup>What Jana did mind was leaving behind all her friends in the old neighborhood, which was too far away to visit more than a few times a year. <sup>5</sup>All of her friends had promised to write, but she knew that would not be enough. <sup>6</sup>She would not be able to visit them very often. <sup>7</sup>Now she was expected to make new friends as if the old ones had never existed. <sup>8</sup>The day they moved, Jana refused to speak to her parents, though she knew that was not fair to them.

Which two sentences in the passage are in the wrong order?

- A. 1 and 2
  - B. 2 and 3
  - C. 6 and 7
  - D. 4 and 6
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26. Which group of words is a sentence fragment?

- A. Lake Superior is the largest of the Great Lakes.
  - B. Preparing for the science experiment at four o'clock.
  - C. Of all the known planets, Mercury is closest to the sun.
  - D. How many of Georgia's barrier islands have wild ponies?
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27.

Fredrico \_\_\_\_\_ in his quest to get on the football team.

Which word would BEST complete the sentence above?

- A. succeed
  - B. successful
  - C. succeeded
  - D. succeeding
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28.

The coach likes to see us hustle down the field for the ball.

In the sentence above, what part of speech is the underlined word?

- A. noun
  - B. verb
  - C. preposition
  - D. conjunction
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29.

Mrs. Allison takes excellent care of her garden. Before the weather even warms up she is outside raking up leaves and planting flower bulbs. In the spring, Mrs. Allison spends hours each day digging, planting, and watering, and she is always hoping for rain. Summer is a good time to stay inside, but Mrs. Allison gets up early every morning to work in her garden. She is always hoping for rain. By the end of the summer, Mrs. Allison and the flowers are ready for some cooler weather. There is always something to do in the garden, though.

Which phrase or sentence in the paragraph repeats information?

- A. By the end of the summer,
  - B. She is always hoping for rain.
  - C. Mrs. Allison takes excellent care of her garden.
  - D. There is always something to do in the garden, though.
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30. Which is a compound sentence?

- A. John and Larry tried to climb the rope.
- B. Jeff fell to his knees after being hit by the ball.
- C. Jerry drove as fast as he could but was stopped at every traffic light.
- D. Jana tried out for the soccer team, and she was selected to be team captain.



**Answer Key**

1. A) definition 1
2. B) We went for a hike and saw several brown thrashers.
3. C) 3
4. D) the index
5. D) state a strong feeling
6. C) played
7. A) nouns
8. C) copying another writer's work without giving credit
9. B) was
10. D) the glossary
11. B) interrogative
12. D) "It's amazing how big you have gotten," Molly's aunt said.
13. D) Last night we had chicken for dinner.
14. A) the pronunciation of determine
15. A) Joseph
16. D) encyclopedia
17. B) declarative
18. B) a noun.
19. C) Buck is a brown and white cocker spaniel.
20. D) encyclopedia
21. D) The Girl Scouts were excited about their camping trip, but the adults were worried about the weather.
22. C) Meanwhile
23. C) Sincerely yours,
24. C) Jim's chores did not take him long and he was back outside.

25. B) 2 and 3

26. B) Preparing for the science experiment at four o'clock.

27. C) succeeded

28. B) verb

29. B) She is always hoping for rain.

30. D) Jana tried out for the soccer team, and she was selected to be team captain.