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1.

He went into the kitchen. There was no milk in the refrigerator.

Which is the correct way to combine the two sentences to make a compound sentence?

- A. There was no milk in the refrigerator.
- B. There was no refrigerator in the kitchen.
- C. He went to the refrigerator, but there was no milk.
- D. He went into the kitchen, but there was no milk in the refrigerator.

2.

Tetras, which come primarily from South America, can be found in a wide variety of colors. The cardinal tetra has neon blue and red stripes, while the lemon tetra is a semi-transparent yellow. Tetras are freshwater fish and are relatively strong and easy to keep. They are very peaceful, undemanding fish and can be kept with other non-aggressive fish of the same size. Most tetras need a diet of live food, preferably fruit flies, although some will also eat vegetables, such as lettuce. All tetras need plenty of open space in the tank to swim. Lighting in their aquarium should be moderately bright.

Which sentence would NOT add new information to the paragraph above?

- A. The bleeding-heart tetra has a red spot on its side.
- B. Other fish in the tank should not be bigger or smaller.
- C. If no other food can be found, they will eat dried food.
- D. The water in the aquarium should be about 75 degrees.

3.

Later, after my papers were delivered, I went to the bike store. I checked the price tag on a shiny green bike. It was exactly like the one my brother had shown me in his bike magazine, but the price was higher. The store bike was \$229.00. That was \$25.00 more than the same bike in the magazine. I checked the price tag, sighed softly, and turned to head home.

Which phrase in the paragraph is redundant?

- A. the price was more
- B. I checked the price tag
- C. my brother had shown me
- D. after my papers were delivered

4. Which word would you find on the dictionary page with the guide words *rain - rewind*?

- A. raid
- B. race
- C. repeat
- D. rewrite

5. Which sentence contains a modifier?

- A. He kicked that ball barely twenty yards.
 - B. Hoping to feel better, Rick took the vitamin.
 - C. Although she was not tired, Maria went to sleep.
 - D. Students who seek their teachers' advice can often improve their grades.
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6. Where would you look to find out your birthstone?

- A. a thesaurus
 - B. an almanac
 - C. a dictionary
 - D. a newspaper
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7.

The apples were delicious the girls ate many of them.

What punctuation mark is needed to correct this sentence?

- A. add a period after delicious
 - B. add a comma after delicious
 - C. add a semicolon after delicious
 - D. add an apostrophe after delicious
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8.

Early Saturday morning, the Lesters went to the new coffeehouse that had recently opened in the neighborhood. Mr. Lester ordered coffee and muffins for himself and his wife. Mrs. Lester used to work in a coffeehouse. The children had cinnamon buns and hot chocolate. After enjoying their treats, the Lesters decided it was time to go home and left.

Which sentence does NOT belong in this paragraph?

- A. Mr. Lester ordered coffee and muffins for himself and his wife.
 - B. Mrs. Lester used to work in a coffeehouse.
 - C. The children had cinnamon buns and hot chocolate.
 - D. After enjoying their treats, the Lesters decided it was time to go home and left.
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9.

Each spring our school schedules a field day. Every spring every class has a special event. Kindergarten and first grade students run relay races. Second and third graders compete in sack races and tug-of-war. The upper grades challenge each other in volleyball.

Which would make a good closing sentence for the passage above?

- A. The field day was a flop.
 - B. All students enjoy the day of fun.
 - C. The gym teachers judge the competitions.
 - D. Nobody wants to lose at any of these games.
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10.

Maria has a blue toothbrush that she uses twice a day.

Which word modifies *toothbrush* in the sentence above?

- A. has
 - B. she
 - C. blue
 - D. twice
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11.

The jewels she wore to the ball were extremely beautiful.

What is the modifier in the sentence above?

- A. ball
 - B. jewels
 - C. extremely beautiful
 - D. The jewels she wore
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12. In which source would you find synonyms for the word *forget*?

- A. almanac
 - B. thesaurus
 - C. periodicals
 - D. encyclopedia
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13. Which sentence needs a comma?

- A. After we eat dinner, we should go to the movies.
 - B. She wanted to play football, and she made the team.
 - C. The following announcement is sponsored by the booster club.
 - D. Mrs. Ware is the nicest, sweetest most wonderful person I know.
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14.

The rapid movements of the squirrel as it ate made the children laugh.

Which part of speech is the underlined word in the sentence above?

- A. verb
 - B. noun
 - C. adverb
 - D. adjective
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15.

On Saturday, we went to the playground. It is just down the block from our house. Anna played on the slide. I played on the swings. We played "hide and seek" for almost an hour.

Which would be a good closing sentence for this paragraph?

- A. We had fun all afternoon on the playground.
 - B. "Hide and seek" is my favorite game to play.
 - C. I am never going back to that playground again.
 - D. I am getting too old to play on swings and slides.
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16. Which book part would give you an alphabetical listing of information by subject?

- A. index
 - B. glossary
 - C. title page
 - D. bibliography
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17. In which sentence does the word *hope* function as a verb?

- A. The farmers hope it will rain because it has not all year.
 - B. "Hope" and "faith" are synonyms found in the textbook.
 - C. Connie has great hope for her future at the new middle school.
 - D. The runner never gave up hope, even after five people passed him.
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18.

My grandmother is visiting us tomorrow from Albany New York.

Which punctuation is needed in the sentence?

- A. a comma
 - B. a semicolon
 - C. an apostrophe
 - D. quotation marks
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19. In which resource would you be able to find the time zone of a country?

- A. almanac
 - B. dictionary
 - C. thesaurus
 - D. newspaper
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20. Which sentence contains an adverb?

- A. The runner passed him about an hour ago.
 - B. We lost the dog, but Seth found him down the street.
 - C. He found out that he was going to lose a month's pay.
 - D. He turned to me and said, "You always say the strangest things."
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21. Which is a sentence fragment?

- A. The sky is very cloudy today.
 - B. The windy, cold and snowy day.
 - C. When it rains, Jason stays inside.
 - D. I don't like when it's too hot outside.
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22.

Our field trip to the zoo was fun. First, we saw the monkeys and gorillas. Next, we got to pet some sheep and goats. Finally, we saw the snakes, and I got to touch one. We did a lot of fun things at the zoo. We saw a lot of different animals at the zoo.

The underlined words in the paragraph serve as transition words. Which type of transition do they perform?

- A. contrast
 - B. summary
 - C. comparison
 - D. time sequence
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23. A thesaurus contains which of the following?

- A. maps
 - B. citations
 - C. synonyms
 - D. publications
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24.

Jimmy are not happy about having to clean his bedroom.

Which word is used incorrectly in the sentence above?

- A. are
 - B. not
 - C. having
 - D. his
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25.

It was April 5 1931, and I was a boy with an empty stomach and a hole in his shoe.

The sentence is missing a comma. The missing comma belongs after

- A. April.
 - B. 5.
 - C. boy.
 - D. stomach.
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26. Which reference book gives words, meanings, pronunciations, and parts of speech?

- A. an almanac
 - B. a dictionary
 - C. a periodical
 - D. an encyclopedia
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27.

Hannah took dance lessons on Tuesdays. Most of the time Hannah loved the class, but once every few months the students had a recital for their parents. The students had to pick their own music, and create their own dance for that music at home. Then all the parents would come to the class and watch each student perform his or her own dance. While most of the children loved the recitals, Hannah was simply terrified every time. She felt she could never learn to enjoy dancing in front of others. She was so afraid of dancing in the recitals.

Which could be a supporting detail for the paragraph above?

- A. She really never did like listening to music.
 - B. Dancing is the best type of exercise for young adults.
 - C. Hannah worked very hard in dance class to get over her fear.
 - D. Hannah did not want to go to dance class, but her parents made her.
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28.

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 sand castles and swam all day long. The family enjoyed their day at the beach.

What does the underlined sentence do for the paragraph?

- A. introduces the main topic
 - B. summarizes the main topic
 - C. gives more detail about an idea
 - D. provides a transition between ideas
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29.

Every morning I get ready for school in one hour. The key to getting ready for school in one hour is preparation. First of all, I pack my book bag for school before I go to bed. Next, I lay out the clothes that I am going to wear to school the next day. Then, in the morning when I wake up, I follow the same routine each day. I brush my teeth, wash my face, shower, get dressed and comb my hair. Sometimes I sleep with the light on. I have a daily breakfast menu that I follow, so I look on the menu and then eat an instant breakfast before I go to school. Finally, I am ready for school. It is hard to believe that I do it all in just an hour!

Which sentence from the paragraph begins with a transition word?

- A. Every morning I get ready for school in one hour.
 - B. Next, I lay out the clothes that I am going to wear to school the next day.
 - C. Sometimes I sleep with the light on.
 - D. It is hard to believe that I do it all in just an hour!
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30.

Take that garbage can back down the street where it belongs.

The sentence shown above is

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

Answer Key

1. D) He went into the kitchen, but there was no milk in the refrigerator.
2. B) Other fish in the tank should not be bigger or smaller.
3. B) I checked the price tag
4. C) repeat
5. A) He kicked that ball barely twenty yards.
6. B) an almanac
7. C) add a semicolon after delicious
8. B) Mrs. Lester used to work in a coffeehouse.
9. B) All students enjoy the day of fun.
10. C) blue
11. C) extremely beautiful
12. B) thesaurus
13. D) Mrs. Ware is the nicest, sweetest most wonderful person I know.
14. D) adjective
15. A) We had fun all afternoon on the playground.
16. A) index
17. A) The farmers hope it will rain because it has not all year.
18. A) a comma
19. A) almanac
20. D) He turned to me and said, "You always say the strangest things."
21. B) The windy, cold and snowy day.
22. D) time sequence
23. C) synonyms
24. A) are
25. B) 5.
26. B) a dictionary

- 27. C) Hannah worked very hard in dance class to get over her fear.
- 28. D) provides a transition between ideas
- 29. B) Next, I lay out the clothes that I am going to wear to school the next day.
- 30. A) imperative.