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Read the passage.

Blooms in Death Valley

In March 2016, Death Valley National Park in the US state of California experienced a rare occurrence: thousands of yellow wildflowers covered the region in a 'super bloom'. Why was this unusual? Death Valley is the hottest and driest place in North America. The area's average yearly precipitation is just five centimetres, making it a challenging place for flowers to grow. However, in October 2015, the valley had received more than eight centimetres of rain in some areas. As a result of the unusually wet season, wildflower seeds that had been lying dormant underground suddenly began to grow, producing an abundance of golden blooms.

What is the main, or central, idea of the passage?

- A. Because of the unusual amount of rain, thousands of wildflowers grew in Death Valley in 2016.
- B. Because of the hot, dry conditions in Death Valley, it is difficult for flowers to grow there.

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QID: 407

Marks: 1

Read the following story.

Self-Portrait

Alia was dismayed to find herself in the drawing studio. She had been sick with the flu during the week when everyone else got to pick their classes. She had hoped for Astronomy or Marine Biology, but they were full by the time she got to choose. She loved everything about science, from the way it used facts and formulas to how it revealed the basic nature of things. But art was so . . . un-scientific.

The first class project was self-portraits. Some students were drawing self-portraits using mirrors. Others were working from photographs. Alia glanced at the incomplete sketches, feeling like a cat in a dog show.

The teacher came up to Alia's easel and sat next to her.

"Every portrait begins with a circle," he said. "Then you create a series of lines."

To demonstrate, he drew a group of small, quick portraits. He began each one with a circle, some straight lines, and a triangle to determine where the eyes, nose, and chin should go. Alia had never thought about it, but the features of everyone's face were in the same spots.

Hesitantly, Alia began her own self-portrait. She drew the basic form of a head, the way she had been shown. From there, she used lines to plot the features of her face. The process took patience and precision. She had to take note of each detail. One wrong measurement could throw off the whole portrait.

Alia was surprised by the structure and discipline involved in drawing a portrait. Measuring, studying details, revealing the basic nature of something—it reminded her of what she loved about science.

Which of the following best describes the main theme or lesson of the story?

- A. It's important to know what your strengths are.
- B. Don't assume you won't like something until you try it.

Read the text.

Before tuning a guitar, first learn the name of each string. A guitar has six strings: the first is on the bottom, and it's the thinnest. The sixth string is on the top, and it's the thickest. Starting at the bottom, the notes run up E, B, G, D, A, and E.

If you have an electric tuner, hold it near the guitar and pluck the high E string (the one on the bottom) first. The tuner will determine whether the note produced by the string is flat (too low) or sharp (too high). Pick each of the remaining strings. Depending on what the tuner tells you, loosen the string to make the note lower or tighten it to make the note higher.

Which author's purpose is suggested by the text?

- A. to persuade readers to buy electric tuner
- B. to explain how to tune a guitar

Which point of view does the narrator use in the passage?

You can walk the length of Division Avenue, if you've got all day. . . . You come here for the first time, and you think all your hopes and dreams have come true. Your life will end happily ever after.

From Chuck Palahniuk, *Diary*. Copyright 2003 by Chuck Palahniuk

- A. first person
- B. second person
- C. third person

Read the text.

The respiratory system is composed of airways, lungs, blood vessels, and muscles working together to supply oxygen to all parts of your body. The diaphragm, a muscle located beneath the lungs, plays an important role. When you inhale, the diaphragm squeezes, or contracts, and moves downward. As a consequence, there is more room for the lungs to expand as they fill with air. When you exhale, the diaphragm relaxes and moves upward, which leads to air being pushed out of the lungs.

Choose the correct cause with its effect.

Air moves out of the lungs.

- A. The diaphragm contracts and moves downward.
- B. The diaphragm relaxes and moves upwards

What does the idiom in this text suggest?

Mr and Mrs Walker usually see eye to eye, but not when it comes to the controversial general election.

- A. Mr. and Mrs. Walker usually agree.
- B. Mr. and Mrs. Walker are not politically active.

The Curveball

Valeria smacked a fastball inside the Douglas Park batting cage. In between pitches, she glanced up at the skyscrapers towering over the park. She imagined all the people living and working in those tall towers—families, friends, bosses, and workers. She thought about the crowded sidewalks, full of friends chatting and window shopping, parents searching for birthday presents, and coworkers enjoying a walk together. She thought about all the cars carrying friends to parties, families to their homes, and busy people to important meetings. Everyone was hurrying. Everyone had somewhere to go, something to do, and someone to meet. Everyone, that is, except her.

In the batting cage, it was just Valeria and the pitching machine. She loosely gripped the baseball bat and hit a line drive.

The hands on the clock tower in Douglas Park seemed to be stuck in the heat and humidity. The sound of children laughing and shouting spilled over from the fountain behind the batting cage. Valeria had hit so many fastballs that her movements were automatic. She cracked what easily could have been a home run, removing her baseball hat to wipe the sweat from her brow.

"Hey," someone shouted behind her. Valeria's heart leaped. It was the voice of her best friend, Tomás. Last summer they had spent hours together in the batting cage. This summer she had hardly seen him.

She spun around, only to see that Tomás was joined by his entourage: Lily and Mariana, the two girls he babysat. It seemed like he watched them every single day. The girls followed him around everywhere, like little moons to his planet.

"Can I have a turn with your bat?" Tomás asked.

Valeria shrugged. "Sure."

She stepped outside the batting cage and stood with the girls while Tomás fiddled with the pitch setting on the machine. The machine started lobbing pitches. Back at the plate, he swung and missed.

She smiled. "Not enough practice."

"They're curveballs," Tomás said. "You're good at fastballs. But try hitting a curveball for a change."

"There's a lemonade stand," interrupted Lily, pointing. "I bet they even have pink."

"I'm really thirsty," Mariana added. Lily waved to get Tomás's attention, then mimed drinking from a cup.

Tomás grinned and stepped out of the cage. He handed Valeria her baseball bat and turned to Lily and Mariana. "First, we'll stop at the lemonade stand," he told them, "And then we'll hit the carousel. If there's time, we can check out the new petting zoo on the south side of the park."

The girls cheered, and Tomás gave Valeria a parting slap on the back. "One of these afternoons, we'll practice hitting some curveballs," he said.

"When?" Valeria asked eagerly, but the girls were pulling on Tomás's hands, and he didn't hear her. She leaned on her bat as she watched Tomás usher them away. Over his shoulder, he shouted back at her, "Curveballs!" The three of them grew smaller and smaller as they retreated into Douglas Park.

Valeria picked the bat back up, now gripping it so tightly that her knuckles turned white. On the next pitch, she swung and missed. The machine was now delivering a softer toss that started high and then sunk perfectly over home plate—curveballs. Valeria hated curveballs. She hated how they appeared closer than they really were, how hard it was to predict their path. The next pitch soared toward her. Again, she swung hard, but she was too early to hit the deceptive pitch. When it happened the third time, a strikeout, Valeria nearly dropped her bat in frustration.

She made a move toward the controls, but the pitching machine worked quickly; its mechanical arms were already shifting and hurling another curveball Valeria's way. Be patient, she told herself. Keep your eye on the ball. A group of teenagers walked past, laughing and chatting, and Valeria missed again.

While Valeria had mastered the fastball, the curveball was a whole new rhythm. She didn't have the luxury of looking at the skyscrapers now. She had to put her whole self into the task. On the next pitch, she smacked the ball hard, a line drive. Valeria smiled and knocked the dirt from her cleats. She was getting the hang of it. She imagined Tomás standing next to her in the batting cage, nodding in approval.

Valeria didn't notice how the sun had shifted. As the hurrying crowds started racing home, they could see the silhouette of Valeria, a lone shadow against the sunset, the shape of her bat raised high, poised for the next curveball. She didn't know when she would be practicing curveballs with Tomás, but she was going to be ready.

Based on the first and second paragraphs, how does Valeria feel at the beginning of the story?

- A. She feels lonely practicing by herself.
- B. She feels happy that she doesn't have to go to work.
- C. She feels overwhelmed by the city's crowds and buildings.

Read the text.

Golden Opportunity

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A world record was broken in July 2002, when a coin was auctioned in New York City for 7.6 million dollars. This particular 1933 double eagle became the most expensive piece of currency ever sold. Double eagles were manufactured by the United States Mint from 1849 through 1933. They are gold coins with a face value of twenty dollars, just as a nickel is worth five cents. A total of 445,500 double eagles were produced in 1933 alone. So how could just one of these twenty-dollar coins be worth so much money?

When Franklin Roosevelt became president of the United States on March 4, 1933, the country was already in the middle of the Great Depression. This severe financial slump began in the United States, but its effects were felt worldwide. Millions of people in the U.S. were unemployed, and businesses and farms were going bankrupt at alarming rates.

Additionally, the country's banking system was in crisis. President Roosevelt determined that more paper money needed to be printed to aid the economy, but he could not simply order money to be produced. Back then, banks had to keep a supply of gold that could be exchanged to people for dollars. The Federal Reserve Act of 1913 required that the U.S. central bank keep, in reserve, about forty cents worth of gold for every dollar it issued. Because of the Depression, the central bank no longer had enough gold in reserve to produce more paper money.

However, Roosevelt developed a strategy. He signed Executive Order 6102. This order prohibited the "hoarding" of gold by American citizens, ordering them to surrender nearly all of their gold to the government in return for a cash payment of \$20.67 per ounce. Citizens were told that the practice of stockpiling gold resulted in less spending and made the Great Depression worse, but the president knew the truth. If nobody could own gold, no one would be exchanging their paper money for gold at banks. As a result, the central bank no longer needed to keep a large supply of gold on hand for these exchanges. Paper money could be printed no matter how much—or how little—gold the central bank had in its reserves.

Of course, Executive Order 6102 created controversy. Several people argued in court that it was against the U.S. Constitution for the government to take people's personal property. The order also drew criticism for how it was enforced. Citizens were required to turn in their gold to the government by May 1, 1933; after the deadline passed, the United States raised gold's value from \$20.67 to \$35.00 per ounce. The increase angered many who had followed the law and sold their gold cheaply. However, some supported the order due to the grave desperation caused by the Great Depression. They believed this step was necessary to keep the economy afloat during hard times.

Roosevelt's executive order also had a more direct effect on U.S. currency: it halted the production of gold coins. However, that year's batch of gold currency had already been manufactured, although it had not yet been put into use. Every 1933 double eagle coin was melted down—all except twenty-two of them, as far as we know. Two were intentionally saved by the government; these are now kept at the National Museum of American History. The other twenty were stolen before they could be destroyed.

Because the stolen coins are still technically government property, none of the 1933 double eagles may be sold legally, with a single exception. The United States reached a secret settlement with the holders of one of the stolen 1933 double eagles that allowed the coin to be placed on the auction block in New York. A coin's worth is largely based on how rare it is, so the 1933 double eagle is of an incredibly high value. But who knows—maybe more salvaged double eagles will be discovered someday!

What is the text about?

- A. It is about the results of a coin sale linked to Executive Order 6102.
- B. It is about the reasons for and the effects of Executive Order 6102.
- C. It is about the reasons Executive Order 6102 made people angry.

Read the text.

Setting up Camp

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Vacation means something different to everyone. Some people love to bask in the sun on the beach and listen to the lapping waves of the ocean. Others pack up the car and take a trip across the country, stopping to see natural sights and roadside attractions along the way. And some people make camping a main part of their vacation. A camping vacation gives you the chance to enjoy nature and live a little differently from the way you normally do. In many ways, camping is the best type of vacation.

The clearest benefit to camping is the time you spend outside connecting with nature and with other people. Camping offers a chance to separate completely from a more modern, busy, technology-driven life. In fact, according to the North American Camping Report, a high percentage of campers strongly agree that camping is a time to get away from stress and enjoy not having something to do. Sixty-eight percent of campers feel that camping helps them clear their minds.

Of course, while there are relaxing aspects to camping, there's no getting around the fact that the packing and setup is a lot of work. Plus, some people just aren't fans of sleeping outside on the ground. However, there are plenty of ways to have a more comfortable camping experience. Some people stay in cabins that come with far more amenities than the typical tent. People who camp a lot sometimes travel in recreational vehicles (RVs) or travel trailers, which have indoor sleeping space for everyone. And for a high-end experience, you could even try "glamping," or "glamorous camping." Many locations offer luxury tents with staff, meals, and planned activities.

Though there is some debate about whether "glamping" is true camping, the point is that there are a range of camping options: you can make the experience entirely your own. You can find islands, beaches, deep forests, and deserts to camp in, depending on what you'd like to do and where you'd like to explore. While you're camping, you can take advantage of your surroundings and go fishing, hiking, swimming, and canoeing. You can also spend time with your family and friends playing board games or sitting around the campfire. No matter how you choose to spend your time, you will leave with the satisfaction of knowing that you've created your own unique vacation. The good news is that once you've caught the camping bug, you'll have a hard time running out of beautiful places to camp in the United States, especially at national and state parks. Picture putting up a tent near a scenic view of active Hawaiian volcanoes or along the sprawling Rio Grande in Texas. Campsites are available near the stunning stone arches in Arches National Park in Utah and alongside wild ponies on Assateague Island in Maryland. For something completely different, you can even paddle or hike to remote campsites that don't allow cars.

If you do decide to try a vacation in the great outdoors, you'll likely meet plenty of fellow campers. A camping trip is a classic way to vacation that is only becoming more popular. The number of camping households in North America grew by six million from 2014 to 2017. The trend is undeniable: more and more people agree that camping is the best way to spend your vacation time.

What is the author's main claim or argument?

- A. Going to the beach is the most relaxing vacation.
- B. Camping is the best choice for a vacation.
- C. "Glamping" is the best way to camp.

Analyze passages from *The Giver*: Part 1

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Read the following passage from *The Giver*. In this excerpt, Jonas, the main character, recalls a time when he saw an unidentified aircraft.

Frightened was the way [Jonas] had felt a year ago when an unidentified aircraft had overflown the community twice. He had seen it both times. Squinting toward the sky, he had seen the sleek jet, almost a blur at its high speed, go past, and a second later heard the blast of sound that followed. Then one more time, a moment later, from the opposite direction, the same plane.

At first, he had been only fascinated. He had never seen aircraft so close, for it was against the rules for Pilots to fly over the community. Occasionally, when supplies were delivered by cargo planes to the landing field across the river, the children rode their bicycles to the riverbank and watched, intrigued, the unloading and then the takeoff directed to the west, always away from the community.

But the aircraft a year ago had been different. It was not a squat, fat-bellied cargo plane but a needle-nosed single-pilot jet. Jonas, looking around anxiously, had seen others—adults as well as children—stop what they were doing and wait, confused, for an explanation of the frightening event.

Then all of the citizens had been ordered to go into the nearest building and stay there. IMMEDIATELY, the rasping voice through the speakers had said. LEAVE YOUR BICYCLES WHERE THEY ARE.

Instantly, obediently, Jonas had dropped his bike on its side on the path behind his family's dwelling. He had run indoors and stayed there, alone. His parents were both at work, and his little sister, Lily, was at the Childcare Center where she spent her after-school hours. Looking through the front window, he had seen no people: none of the busy afternoon crew of Street Cleaners, Landscape Workers, and Food Delivery people who usually populated the community at that time of day. He saw only the abandoned bikes here and there on their sides; an upturned wheel on one was still revolving slowly.

He had been frightened then. The sense of his own community silent, waiting, had made his stomach churn. He had trembled.

But it had been nothing. Within minutes the speakers had crackled again, and the voice, reassuring now and less urgent, had explained that a Pilot-in-Training had misread his navigational instructions and made a wrong turn. Desperately the Pilot had been trying to make his way back before his error was noticed.

From Lois Lowry, *The Giver*. Copyright 1993 by Lois Lowry

Which of the following is most likely true about Jonas's community?

- A. It expects its citizens to fend for themselves.
- B. It is located near several airports.
- C. It trains its citizens to use advanced technology.
- D. It is isolated from the outside world.

Analyze passages from Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass: Part 1

Read the following passage from Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass. In this excerpt, Douglass describes his experiences and thoughts while he was enslaved on Mr. Covey's farm.

If at any one time of my life more than another, I was made to drink the bitterest dregs of slavery, that time was during the first six months of my stay with Mr. Covey. We were worked in all weathers. It was never too hot or too cold; it could never rain, blow, hail, or snow, too hard for us to work in the field. Work, work, work, was scarcely more the order of the day than of the night. The longest days were too short for him, and the shortest nights too long for him. I was somewhat unmanageable when I first went there, but a few months of this discipline tamed me. Mr. Covey succeeded in breaking me. I was broken in body, soul, and spirit. My natural elasticity was crushed, my intellect languished, the disposition to read departed, the cheerful spark that lingered about my eye died; the dark night of slavery closed in upon me; and behold a man transformed into a brute! [. . .]

Our house stood within a few rods of the Chesapeake Bay, whose broad bosom was ever white with sails from every quarter of the habitable globe. Those beautiful vessels, robed in purest white, so delightful to the eye of freemen, were to me so many shrouded ghosts, to terrify and torment me with thoughts of my wretched condition. I have often, in the deep stillness of a summer's Sabbath, stood all alone upon the lofty banks of that noble bay, and traced, with saddened heart and tearful eye, the countless number of sails moving off to the mighty ocean.

The sight of these always affected me powerfully. My thoughts would compel utterance; and there, with no audience but the Almighty, I would pour out my soul's complaint, in my rude way, with an apostrophe to the moving multitude of ships:—"You are loosed from your moorings, and are free; I am fast in my chains, and am a slave! You move merrily before the gentle gale, and I sadly before the bloody whip! You are freedom's swift-winged angels, that fly round the world; I am confined in bands of iron! O that I were free! O, that I were on one of your gallant decks, and under your protecting wing! Alas! Betwixt me and you, the turbid waters roll. Go on, go on. O that I could also go! Could I but swim! If I could fly! O, why was I born a man, of whom to make a brute. The glad ship is gone; she hides in the dim distance. I am left in the hottest hell of unending slavery. O God, save me! God, deliver me!

From Frederick Douglass, Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass

What is this passage mainly about?

- A. It is about how Douglass's body felt tired, while his mind felt curious and alert.
- B. It is about how the cruel conditions Douglass suffered intensified his deep longing for freedom.
- C. It is about how Douglass grew bored with farmwork and wished to become a sailor.
- D. It is about how Douglass became ill and started to imagine that he saw ghosts.

Read a text about drinking straws.

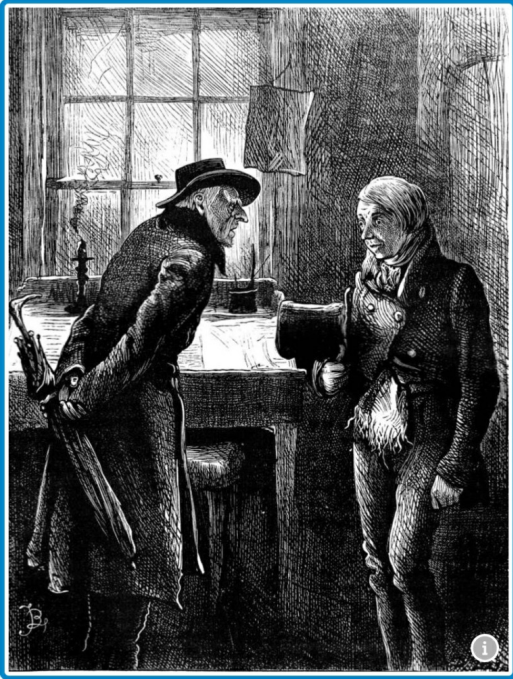
Do you want to maintain healthy teeth? Avoid excessive consumption of sugary and acidic drinks, like soda and lemonade. Both sugar and acid can erode protective tooth enamel, paving the way for cavities and increasing the risk of tooth sensitivity. It's best to limit these beverages to special occasions, such as dining out. And when you do indulge, use a drinking straw: research shows that straws can minimize contact between liquids and teeth. Bear in mind that some restaurants intentionally keep their straws out of sight, in the hopes that customers will forget about them—so don't forget! Request a straw from your server, or bring your own straws along whenever you dine out. Your teeth will thank you later.

Select the detail that is included in the text:

- A. Discarded straws present hazards for marine wildlife.
- B. Straws are now a regularly dispensed item at many restaurants.
- C. Using a drinking straw reduces exposure to beverages that harm teeth.

Both of these images depict Ebenezer Scrooge, the miserly protagonist of Charles Dickens's *A Christmas Carol*, and Scrooge's overworked clerk, Bob Cratchit. Select the image that highlights Scrooge's sour attitude toward Bob Cratchit.

A.



B.



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Which sentence states a fact?

- A. Israel's Dead Sea is named for the fact that its high salt content makes it impossible for most organisms to survive in its water.
- B. Floating effortlessly in the salty waters of the Dead Sea is a pleasant way to spend a hot day.

Question: 15 of 50

QID: 467

Marks: 1

Complete the sentence so that it uses personification.

The wild orchids _____ the hikers who were meandering through the Muir woods.

- A. saluted
- B. pleased

Question: 16 of 50

QID: 562

Marks: 1

Complete the text with better conjunctive adverb.

Aubrey's field hockey team won the state championship earlier today; _____ she and her teammates had an excuse for their rather boisterous behavior when they celebrated at Dinardo's Restaurant tonight

- A. nevertheless
- B. hence

Question: 17 of 50

QID: 570

Marks: 1

Which sentence is in passive voice?

- A. An X-ray could have detected the hairline fracture in his arm.
- B. The hairline fracture could have been detected by an X-ray.

Question: 18 of 50

QID: 579

Marks: 1

Fix the one word that is used incorrectly.

Apart of the Bradleys donation will go toward winter clothing for people in need and the rest will go toward providing food for the hungry

- A. A part of the Bradleys' donation will go toward winter clothing for people in need, and the rest will go toward providing food for the hungry.
- B. Apart of the Bradleys' donation will go for winter clothing for people in need, and the rest will go toward providing food for the hungry.

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QID: 580

Marks: 1

Correct the one error.

WE NO LONGER EXCEPT PERSONAL CHECKS.

- A. accept
- B. except
- C. expect

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QID: 585

Marks: 1

Consider the following research topic:

egg-laying mammals

Which web page would likely include the most relevant information about this topic?

- A. "Using Dogs or Donkeys As Flock Guardians to Protect Egg-Layers"
- B. "Animal Oddities: The Few Mammals that Lay Eggs"

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QID: 309

Marks: 1

Where is the **preface** of a book?

- A. At the beginning
- B. At the end

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QID: 314

Marks: 1

The root mal means bad or evil. What does the word malignant mean?

- A. Earning another's trust
- B. Causing harm or suffering
- C. Escaping to another location

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QID: 319

Marks: 1

Which word is a synonym of assimilate?

- A. Build
- B. Integrate

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QID: 324

Marks: 1

Which word refers to a person's shape?

- A. Build
- B. Posture

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QID: 590

Marks: 1

Complete the sentence with the correct homophone.

_____ over this fence and you will be surprised by how well tended the garden on the other side is.

- A. Peak
- B. Peek

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QID: 329

Marks: 1

Complete the analogy.

cake is to dessert as throne is to _____.

- A. chair
- B. bed

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QID: 595

Marks: 1

Select the word that means the right to vote.

The Twenty-Sixth Amendment to the Constitution extended suffrage to Americans aged eighteen to twenty-one. Advocates of the change argued that since eighteen-year-olds were fighting in the military, they deserved to participate in the political process. Before that, only people aged twenty-one or older could cast ballots in the nation's elections.

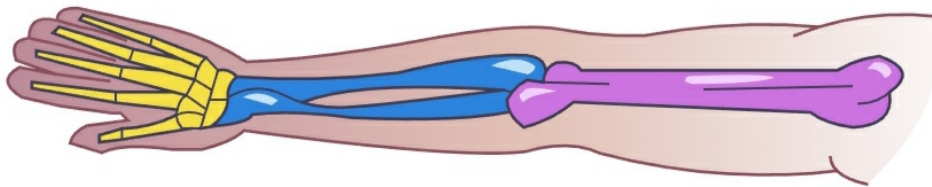
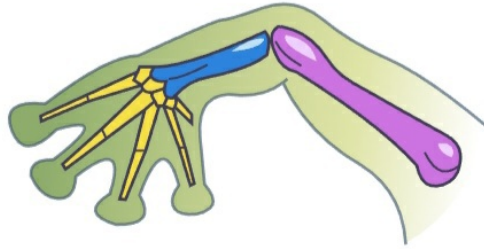
- A. suffrage
- B. ballots

Read the text.

Biologists can look at how related two animals are by comparing their body parts, or structures. Analogous structures are parts with the same purpose but with different structures, like a fin and a flipper. Different species may develop analogous structures when they live in similar environments even if they aren't closely related.

Homologous structures, however, may show that species are related by indicating they have common ancestors. A whale is a mammal, which makes it more closely related to a bear than to a fish, and a whale's flipper has bones like those in a bear's paw. Though they are different shapes and sizes, the arrangement of bones is similar.

Which term matches the picture?



A. analogous structure

B. homologous structure

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Marks: 1

Would you find the word shepherd on a dictionary page with the following guide words?
smooth - symbol

A. yes

B. no

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QID: 605

Marks: 1

What kind of sentence is this?

Whose responsibility is it to wake the mayor when there is an emergency?

A. declarative

B. exclamatory

C. interrogative

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QID: 610

Marks: 1

Is the group of words in bold a phrase or a clause?

Among bats, there are species that can reach speeds of **more than fifty miles per hour**.

A. phrase

B. clause

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Marks: 1

Complete the sentence with the correct plural.

(Flamingo) are remarkably adaptive and can tolerate a wide range of habitats; although they prefer warm climates, they can live in cold temperatures as well.

A. Flamingos

B. Flamingoes

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Marks: 1

Complete the sentence with the pronoun that agrees with the word or words in bold.

The ketchup should be in the refrigerator. Look for _____ near the pickles and mustard.

A. it

B. on

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Marks: 1

Select the correct pronoun to complete the sentence.

Everyone in the history class had read the document except _____.

A. him

B. he

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QID: 615

Marks: 1

Select the action verb. If the verb is transitive, also select its direct object.

Alexander the Great, a brilliant military leader of an undefeated army, died in 323 BCE at the age of just thirty-three.

A. died

B. ubdefeated

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Marks: 1

Find the error with subject-verb agreement

On the basketball court, nothing faze Maddie. She has a singular focus: driving up the score for her team.

A. On the basketball court, nothing faze Maddie.

B. She has a singular focus: driving up the score for her team.

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Marks: 1

Complete the sentence with the verb in past tense.

When the actor

(fling) _____ his script at the floodlights and stomped off the stage, he was merely staying in character.

A. flung

B. flang

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Marks: 1

Is the word in bold an adjective or an adverb?

I can't believe how many city council members were **absent** from today's vote!

Hint: The word in bold describes the word that is underlined.

A. adverb

B. adjective

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QID: 370

Marks: 1

Select the two prepositional phrases.

A mobile composed of shimmering mirrors and silver wire swayed gently in the elegant hotel lobby.

A. A mobile; of shimmering mirrors

B. of shimmering mirrors; in the elegant hotel lobby.

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Marks: 1

Is the phrase in bold a direct object or an indirect object?

A guard denied **the tourists** entrance to the palace.

A. direct object

B. indirect object

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QID: 372

Marks: 1

Complete the sentence with the better correlative conjunctions.

When Jacob Riis immigrated to the United States in 1870, he was _____ wealthy _____ famous. However, just a few years later he became a successful photojournalist and a friend of future president Theodore Roosevelt.

A. Not only... but also

B. Neither .. nor

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QID: 727

Marks: 1

Select the misplaced or dangling modifier.

Sculpted by an African artist, Lisa's bedroom was decorated with tiny handcrafted statues of elephants, lions, and giraffes.

- A. Sculpted by an African artist, B. Lisa's bedroom was decorated

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QID: 728

Marks: 1

Select the misplaced or dangling modifier.

Long before he became a world-famous soccer player, Pelé honed his skills by kicking a rolled-up sock around the streets of Bauru, Brazil, stuffed with rags.

- A. honed his skills B. stuffed with rags.

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Marks: 1

What does the following sentence suggest?

The exhibit that displays about fifteen hundred dinosaur bones is a popular attraction at the Quarry Exhibit Hall in Dinosaur National Monument.

- A. There is more than one exhibit at the Quarry Exhibit Hall. B. The display of dinosaur bones is the only exhibit at the Quarry Exhibition Hall.

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Marks: 1

If the appositive in bold is nonrestrictive, set it off with commas.

Diamonds **precious gems renowned for their dazzling sparkle** are formed when carbon atoms undergo extreme pressure at high temperatures, usually around one hundred miles below the surface of the earth.

- A. Diamonds, precious gems renowned for their dazzling sparkle, are formed when carbon atoms undergo extreme pressure at high temperatures, usually around one hundred miles below the surface of the earth. B. Diamonds, precious gems renowned for their dazzling sparkle are formed, when carbon atoms undergo extreme pressure at high temperatures, usually around one hundred miles below the surface of the earth.

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QID: 487

Marks: 1

Choose the correct option

- A. Where do you think, you can survive the longest : Mercury Venus or Mars? B. Where do you think, you can survive the longest : Mercury, Venus, or Mars?

Add a comma or semicolon if needed. Otherwise, submit the text without any additional punctuation.

Leonardo Pisano Bigollo, also known as Fibonacci, did not actually discover Fibonacci numbers _____ but he did popularize them by including them in his work Liber Abaci.

- A. Leonardo Pisano Bigollo, also known as Fibonacci, did not actually discover Fibonacci numbers , but he did popularize them by including them in his work Liber Abaci.
- B. Leonardo Pisano Bigollo, also known as Fibonacci, did not actually discover Fibonacci numbers ; but he did popularize them by including them in his work Liber Abaci.

Read this text.

Dr. Frank Drake, a radio astronomer at the National Radio Astronomy Observatory in West Virginia, devised an equation to estimate the number of technological civilizations that may exist in our galaxy.

Is this an appropriate use of an ellipsis?

"Dr. Frank Drake . . . devised an equation to estimate the number of technological civilizations that may exist in our galaxy."

- A. yes
- B. no, because text with the ellipses is no longer grammatically correct

Choose the correct capitalized format of the given movie.

- A. white House Down
- B. White House Down

Which correctly shows the title of a song?

- A. "Don't Wait, Jump In"
- B. Don't Wait, Jump In

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