

¹Joey and Matthias were engaged in an intents game of tennis. ²It came down to the wire, but Joey narrowly defeated his best friend in the end.

1. What is the best way to write the underlined part of sentence 1?
 - A in tents
 - B in tense
 - C intense
 - D *(No change)*

2. Choose the best last sentence to add to this story.
 - A At the end of the contest, the two boys shake hands.
 - B Matthias asked a rematch yesterday.
 - C Matthias is better at baseball than Joey is.
 - D If they play again tomorrow, that game is bound to be even more exciting.

The difficulties of becoming a schoolteacher are plentiful. Besides grading tests and drafting lesson plans, teachers have to maintain regular contact with parents through conferences.

3. What is the best way to write the underlined part of sentence 1?
 - A became
 - B being
 - C to be
 - D *(No change)*

4. Choose the best last sentence to add to this story.
 - A That's why there won't be as many teachers around as there used to be.
 - B In addition, teachers have to handle the day-to-day troubles of keeping his or her students under control.
 - C Every school has parent-teacher conferences a number of times a year.
 - D However, being a lawyer is a million times harder.

¹Whitney really likes cake, but she wanted to have a pie for her birthday instead. ²I wonder why she was so insistent about such a thing?

5. What is the best way to write the underlined part of sentence 2?
- A thing.
 - B thing,
 - C thing;
 - D *(No change)*
6. Choose the best last sentence to add to this story.
- A Cake is better than pie, after all.
 - B Has Whitney lost her mind?
 - C I'll have to ask her about it later.
 - D My favorite kind of pie is apple.

¹Kevin's overconfidence in the race would be his downfall. ²When he started celebrating at the finish line, Cody suddenly sped past them to win instead.

7. What is the best way to write the underlined part of sentence 2?
- A her
 - B they
 - C him
 - D *(No mistakes)*
8. Choose the best last sentence to add to this story.
- A Next time, Kevin will know not to assume that victory is certain.
 - B Kevin is lucky that he didn't lose the race.
 - C Like Kevin, Cody celebrated at the end of the race.
 - D Races are a lot of fun because anybody can win.

¹Emma is sitting next to Spencer. ²That makes Tracy upset, for she wanted to sit next to Spencer instead.

9. What is the best way to write the underlined part of sentence 1?
- A four
 - B but
 - C and
 - D *(No change)*
10. Choose the best last sentence to add to this story.
- A Why can't we all just get along?
 - B Spencer, you have some explaining to do.
 - C Where is Grace sitting?
 - D Much to her chagrin, Tracy had to find a different seat that was close to Spencer.

¹This years Winter was incredibly cold. ²Mom and Dad had to buy extra hats and gloves to stay warm.

11. What is the best way to write the underlined part of sentence ?

- A years'
- B year's
- C years's
- D (No change)

12. Which word in the story needs to be changed to correct a capitalization error?

- A Winter
- B Mom
- C Dad
- D This

¹Cooking a meal can take a long time. ²You have to be very patient, specially if you are cooking for multiple people.

13. What is the best way to write the underlined part of sentence 2?

- A especially
- B special
- C specialty
- D (No change)

14. Choose the best last sentence to add to this story.

- A I met someone who once cooked for over a hundred people!
- B There is a plethora of preparation involved, as well as several rules on cleanliness to abide by along the way.
- C Eating, however, is a much easier activity.
- D My friend's uncle is the greatest chef I know.

¹Some people like the color blue, while others prefer the color red. ²Even still, there are almost countless other colors for one to like.

15. What is the best way to write the underlined part of sentence 2?

- A Likewise
- B In addition
- C But
- D *(No change)*

16. Choose the best last sentence to add to this story.

- A For example, there are the following colors: pink, yellow, green, purple, and brown.
- B For example, there are the following colors; yellow, green, violet, orange, pink, and gray.
- C For example, there are the following colors, black, white, indigo, teal, orange, and purple.
- D For example, there are the following colors brown, black, green, indigo, pink, and cerulean.

¹I thought that the field trip to the museum was gonna be boring, but it ended up being a lot of fun instead. ²What a surprise!

17. What is the best way to write the underlined part of sentence 1?

- A gone to
- B goner
- C going to
- D *(No change)*

18. Choose the best last sentence to add to this story.

- A And they said that field trips were meant to be terrible!
- B This makes me immensely look forward to the next field trip.
- C How big is this museum?
- D Let's go to the park next time!

¹There are currently fifty cars in this parking lot. ²The renovations there promise to double the amount of cars that can fit.

19. What is the best way to write the underlined part of sentence 2?
- A their
 - B they're
 - C here
 - D *(No change)*
20. Choose the best last sentence to add to this story.
- A The entire project is scheduled to be complete by the end of next summer.
 - B Some people don't like parking lots, however.
 - C However, how many trucks could fit in this new lot?
 - D That means that a hundred cars can park in the lot now.
- 21.
- A Malls are great places to shop,
 - B I can find everything I need
 - C under one roof.
 - D *(No mistakes)*
- 22.
- A Sometimes it is better to just
 - B walk away from things and go back to them later
 - C when your in a better frame of mind.
 - D *(No mistakes)*
- 23.
- A The clock within this blog
 - B and the clock on my laptop
 - C are one hour apart from each other.
 - D *(No mistakes)*
- 24.
- A If you like tuna and tomato sauce,
 - B try combining the two. It's really not
 - C so bad as it sounds.
 - D *(No mistakes)*
- 25.
- A Joe made the sugar cookies,
 - B Susan decorated them, and
 - C Alan put them into boxes.
 - D *(No mistakes)*

- 26.
- A He said he was not there yesterday, but
 - B much of my friends claimed
 - C to have seen him in line.
 - D *(No mistakes)*
- 27.
- A “You have to turn in
 - B your paper tomorrow at the
 - C end of class, the teacher said.
 - D *(No mistakes)*
- 28.
- A “I don’t know where he is.”
 - B Billy said. “I last saw him
 - C in the backyard ten minutes ago.”
 - D *(No mistakes)*
- 29.
- A Taking care of a dog
 - B a cat, a bird and two fish
 - C are a lot of work for one person.
 - D *(No mistakes)*
- 30.
- E The jar won’t open
 - A because you are trying to turn the lid
 - B counterclockwise instead of clockwise.
 - C *(No mistakes)*