

LENTZ & LENTZ SAT PREP VERBAL PROBLEMS

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Stirring the mix well, the spices were added by the chef who stirred the mix well.

- A) the spices were added by the chef etc...
- B) the spices were added at the time the mix was stirred.
- C) the chef proceeded to add spices.
- D) the spices were added to the mix by the chef.
- E) it became lumpy.

2

The more one studies, the better the chance he will have of augmenting his grades.

- A) the better the chance he will have of augmenting his
- B) the better one's chance for augmenting one's
- C) the better your chance for augmenting your
- D) the better their chance of augmenting their

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- A) The price of food has increased so as to force people to complain vehemently from this.
- B) Vehement complaining has forced a price increase as a result.
- C) As a result of the price increase, food has gone up and caused complaints.
- D) The increase in the price of food has caused people to complain vehemently.
- E) Increasing food prices have caused vehement complaints from this.

Instructions: If there is no error, circle "no error." If you find a mistake, circle the mistake.

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We had a good time when the people which were supposed to be so confident about themselves couldn't do anything right. No Error

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Since they are better tennis players than us, we must try harder and be more aggressive. No Error

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Everyone of the ball players have hit in at least ten consecutive games, establishing his club as one of the hottest in baseball. No Error

Instructions: Which of the following is the best way to revise and combine the two sentences below?

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I submitted my term paper. I forgot about the whole incident.

- A) Having submitted my term paper, the whole incident was forgotten.
- B) After submitting my term paper, the incident was wholly forgotten.
- C) After submitting my term paper, it was at that point that I forgot the whole incident as if it never happened.
- D) After submitting my term paper, I forgot about the whole incident.
- E) Forgetting about the whole incident after submitting my term paper.

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Certainly people could win silly products. They couldn't win anything of real value.

- A) silly products and they couldn't win
- B) silly products, but they couldn't win
- C) silly products, but being unable to win
- D) silly products, so they could not win
- E) silly products, while there was little winning of

Instructions: Put the sentences below in logical order by numbering them 1,2,3, and 4.

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- ☐ Four new stores including Barney's, Saks Fifth Ave, Nieman Marcus and Nordstrom will be opening by 2018.
- ☐ The New York building boom defies the indication that these stores nationally are on the wane.
- ☐ It's boom time for the old fashion department stores in Manhattan, despite the overall trend to the internet.
- ☐ So what makes New York the focus of such optimism?

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When traveling a long distance, vacationers often take rest periods at restaurants and fast food stops along the highway. (2)Settlers crossing the West by train in the early 19th Century also needed food and drink. (3)Even though he worked for railroad companies, Peter Jennings decided to open his own restaurants at railroad stations and in dining cars.

Where should the following sentence go to make this passage more logically developed? "Nevertheless, the food available from railroad purveyors was of very poor quality."

- A) before sentence 1
- B) after sentence 1
- C) after sentence 3
- D) after sentence 2

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The writer may delete the above sentence. Should he make this deletion?

- A) No, because the passage argues that food quality is excellent.
- B) No, because it provides an explanation for his motivation in opening his restaurants.
- C) Yes, because it does not logically follow any of the sentences.
- D) Yes, because it is relevant to only a minor idea in the passage.

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We understand that the human brain is plastic in nature. Neurons and synapses change when our environment changes and we change with it.

According to its use in the above sentence, the word plastic means

- A) aberrant
- B) artificial
- C) abhorrent
- D) adaptable

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Before women had the right to vote, society reflected man's thinking. Man's iron rule was untampered by the gentler, kinder feminine touch.

- A) empirical approach
- B) inflexible doctrine
- C) common guideline
- D) unbreakable habit

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The male element has held high carnival thus far; it has overpowered every feminine instinct, steamrolling all the qualities of womanhood in its path.

- A) produced a joyous and happy atmosphere
- B) supported a woman's point of view
- C) initiated chaos
- D) demonstrated complete conquest of women by men.

15

Politicians sometimes promise things they cannot deliver. However, sometimes their pledges actually do come true. As a result, voters often have ambivalent feelings in respect to believing what politicians promise.

As used in the passage, the word ambivalent means

- A) unreasonable
- B) irrational
- C) conflicted
- D) apprehensive

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We should not be ruining pristine areas to satisfy our desire to increase production of goods and services for mercenary purposes. Once they are gone, they will not be replaceable.

The word mercenary means

- A) abject
- B) informative
- C) rudimentary
- D) profitable

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Genes mutate as DNA changes. Scientists, by watching the pattern of changes, can implement a model which may help predict future changes.

As used in the passage, the word implement means

- A) start
- B) project
- C) solve
- D) make

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| | | 375% |
| $1\frac{1}{3}$ | | |
| | | 112% |
| | 72 | |
| | | 6% |
| $\frac{8}{2}$ | | |
| | | 32% |
| | 0.03 | |
| $\frac{32}{1}$ | | |
| fraction | decimal | percent |

By completing the following table without a calculator,

practice converting between fractions, decimals, and percent.

For example, $1\frac{1}{3}$ is equal to $\frac{4}{3}$ as a fraction, 1.333 as a decimal, and 133.3% as a percent.

As an example of decimal to percent:

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