

Units 5 and 6 Great Writing 3**Completion***Complete each statement.***DIRECTIONS:** Complete the sentences with the correct comparative or superlative form of the word in parentheses.

1. This is the _____ (cheap) shirt they had at the store.
2. This is the _____ (bad) weather we've had all year!

DIRECTIONS: Complete the sentences with the correct adverb of degree.

almost	completely	little	much	too
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3. We are _____ out of milk and orange juice. We don't have very much left of either one.

DIRECTIONS: Complete each sentence with the correct word in parentheses.**How College Changed My Life**

When I _____ (1. was deciding / decided) to go to college, I _____ (2. had / was having) no idea how much it would change my life. First of all, I _____ (3. became / was becoming) more self-confident. While I _____ (4. was looking for / have looked for) a job, I knew that it was only a matter of time until I _____ (5. had gotten / got) a job offer. Sure enough, after my second interview, I was offered a full-time job in a marketing firm. In addition, going to college _____ (6. had helped / helped) me meet new people. I now _____ (7. have / had had) a group of friends that I will always cherish, including professors, classmates, and roommates. Finally, going to college _____ (8. was offering / offered) me independence, which I _____ (9. had lacked / lack) when I still lived at home. All in all, my college experience _____ (10. made / has been making) me the confident person I am today.

4. (5) _____
5. (10) _____

DIRECTIONS: Complete each sentence with the correct word in parentheses.

6. Millennials often have a _____ (lack for / lack of) the patience and long-term planning skills to see a project or task through to the end.

7. _____ (For the same time / At the same time), this generation of workers expects constant positive feedback from bosses.
8. In the workplace, older employers have little _____ (interest on / interest in) constant praise; they just do not function in that way.

DIRECTIONS: Complete each sentence with the correct word or phrase.

alter	currency	environment	falling out	obese
out of date	pursue	stain	traumatic	utter

9. The _____ is different in Japan than it is in the United States.
10. You're wearing that to the dance? But those pants are so _____!

Multiple Choice

Identify the choice that best completes the statement or answers the question.

DIRECTIONS: Choose the best answer.

- _____ 1. Choose the sentence that is grammatically correct.
- It was extremely windy and bitterly cold today.
 - It was extreme windy and bitterly cold today.
 - It was extremely windy and nearly cold today.
- _____ 2. Choose the sentence that is grammatically correct.
- Whereas we wanted to have dinner outside; however, it was raining.
 - We wanted to have dinner outside; conversely, it was raining.
 - We wanted to have dinner outside; however, it was raining.
- _____ 3. Choose the sentence that is grammatically correct.
- Ana is as fast a runner than Paulo.
 - Ana is faster a runner as Paulo.
 - Ana is as fast a runner as Paulo.
- _____ 4. Choose the sentence that is grammatically correct.
- Not only did Minna want to learn how to go rock climbing but also swim.
 - Not only did Minna want to learn how to go rock climbing but also how to swim.
 - Not only did Minna want to learn how to go rock climbing but also to swim.
- _____ 5. Choose the sentence that is grammatically correct.
- She frequently stopped at the bakery on her way home from work.
 - She frequent stopped at the bakery on her way home from work.
 - She frequently to stop at the bakery on her way home from work.

DIRECTIONS: Read each essay title. Decide if it is appropriate or inappropriate for a comparison essay.

- _____ 6. Choosing between a Sport Utility Vehicle and a Hybrid Car
- appropriate
 - inappropriate

DIRECTIONS: Read the outline for an essay that compares shopping online and shopping at stores. The outline is missing important pieces. Answer the questions to complete the outline.

Title: Shopping Online vs. Shopping at Stores

I. Introduction

- Hook
- Connecting Information
- _____ *missing piece #1* _____

II. Body Paragraph 1 (Point of comparison 1): Convenience

- Online
 - Place where shopping happens
 - Choices of stores
- Stores
 - _____ *missing piece #2* _____
 - Choices of stores

III. Body Paragraph 2 (Point of comparison 2): Saving money

- _____ *missing piece #3* _____
 - Bargain shopping
 - Supporting fact: Speed in finding best deal
- Stores
 - Bargain shopping
 - Supporting fact: _____ *missing piece #4* _____

IV. Conclusion

- Restate the thesis statement
- _____ *missing piece #5* _____ the main points
- Concluding statement: a suggestion, an opinion, or a _____ *missing piece #6* _____

- _____ 7. *Missing piece #1* should be:
- Conclusion
 - Point of comparison
 - Thesis statement
- _____ 8. *Missing piece #3* should be:
- Choices of stores
 - Online
 - Point of comparison

- _____ 9. *Missing piece #4* should be:
- Choice of stores
 - Saving money
 - Speed in finding best deal
- _____ 10. *Missing piece #5* should be:
- Compare
 - Suggest
 - Summarize

Matching

DIRECTIONS: Choose the vocabulary word that best completes each sentence.

- effects
- have
- hit
- in
- of
- pivotal
- similar
- strong
- turn
- on

- _____ 1. This dryer operates _____ the principal of solar energy.
- _____ 2. No one yet knows the extent _____ the damage done by the flood.
- _____ 3. They are very similar, _____ a way.
- _____ 4. After you _____ the corner, you'll see the monument.
- _____ 5. The hurricane _____ the city at about two o'clock today.
- _____ 6. Insects play a _____ role in the ecology of our region.
- _____ 7. The word for "soap" is remarkably _____ in the two languages.
- _____ 8. If you ever _____ an accident, you'll be glad that you have a cell phone with you.
- _____ 9. The unforeseen _____ of the earthquake included flooding and the destruction of many homes.
- _____ 10. The senator always seems to have very _____ opinions about everything.

Short Answer

DIRECTIONS: Read each sentence. If the underlined part of the sentence is correct, write "C." If the underlined part of the sentence is incorrect, write the correction.

1. Raul likes swimming, biking, and to go hiking. _____

2. When you first visit a city, the most important things you need are a clean place to stay, good food to eat, and enough money to get both of these. _____
3. Tri-athletes compete in three different events: biking, swimming, and they run. _____
4. My cat Phoebe's life consists of sleeping, meowing, and eating. _____
5. People use fireworks for many reasons: to celebrate holidays, for birthdays, and for other special occasions. _____
6. The most expensive items in this company's budget are employee salaries, advertising pieces, and office supplies. _____

DIRECTIONS: Read the paragraph. If a sentence is incorrect, rewrite it correctly. If the sentence is correct, write "C."

To Lose Weight, Eat a Lot!

(1)Think you need to eat a lot less to lose weight? (2)Not necessary so! (3)Researchers are finding that eating a big breakfast actually helps people lose weight. (4)In a recent study, one group of dieters ate a 300-calorie breakfast of orange juice and one slice of toast. (5)The other group ate a 600-calorie breakfast of healthy protein and carbohydrates. (6)After two weeks, the first group having no weight loss. (7)The second group lose five pounds per person. (8)Why? (9)Researchers think they have the answer of this question. (10)A large, balanced meal in the morning reduces cravings of carbohydrates later in the day. (11)Therefore, if you want to eat less during the day, eat a good breakfast!

7. Sentence 1 _____
8. Sentence 2 _____
9. Sentence 4 _____
10. Sentence 8 _____

Other

DIRECTIONS: If the definition of the word is correct, write "C." If it is incorrect, write "I."

1. Something that is *hidden* is not easily seen. _____
2. A *humid* climate is one that is very dry. _____

DIRECTIONS: Decide if each topic is a good topic for a cause-effect essay. Write "G" if it is a good topic, write "NG" if it is not a good topic.

3. Using Pesticides on Fruits and Vegetables _____
4. Athletes Share the Reasons for Their Success _____
5. What Causes Acid Rain _____
6. Leading Causes of Obesity in Children _____
7. The Role of Vitamin C in Preventing Illness _____
8. Why Sales of Newspapers Are Declining _____
9. Reality Shows on TV _____

ESSAY WRITING

DIRECTIONS: Read the prompt. Write your essay.

10. Write about the effect that graduating from college has on a person's life. Use several cause-effect transition expressions.