

Using Parallelism

REVIEW TEST 1

Cross out the unbalanced part of each sentence. In the space provided, revise the unbalanced part so that it matches the other item or items in the sentence. One is done for you as an example.

EXAMPLE

The professor warned his students that he would give surprise tests, ~~the assignment of term papers~~, and allow no makeup exams.

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1. As the elderly woman climbed the long staircase, she breathed hard and was grabbing the railing tightly.

2. Making a big dinner is a lot more fun than to clean up after it.

3. Many people want a career that pays high wages, provides a complete benefits package, and offering opportunities for promotion.

4. Many of today's action movies have attractive actors, fantastic special effects, and dialogue that is ridiculous.

5. The neighborhood group asked the town council to repair the potholes and that a traffic signal be installed.

6. Pesky mosquitoes, humidity that is high, and sweltering heat make summer unpleasant in Louisiana.

7. Penicillin, the first wonder drug, has many uses: to treat syphilis, to fight bacterial infections in wounds, and even curing eye and ear infections.

8. The state of Georgia offers a varied landscape with the Blue Ridge Mountains in the north and the Okefenokee Swamp is found in the south.
