GOUDA ACADEMY

777 Questions

SUPER GRAMMAR GUIDE

777 original SAT-style grammar practice questions

Organized by grammar skill

Answer key + clear, step-by-step explanations

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GRAMMAR TOPICS	QUESTIONS	EXPLAINED

Learn the rule. Find the clue. Explain your choice.

NAME _____

CLASS _____ DATE _____

Your grammar study map

Start with a topic, practise its questions, then check your thinking in the explanations. The question numbers below are the new booklet numbers.

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777 newly written practice questions modeled on the skill mix in your 208-question guide. The passages and answer choices are new; this is independent Gouda Academy practice material, not an official College Board test.

Includes grouped practice, an answer key, and a simple explanation of every choice. People, studies, organizations, and places in the practice passages may be fictional; they provide contexts for the grammar.

Make every mistake useful

1. Learn one skill

Read the short topic recap first. You do not need to memorize the passages or know their scientific vocabulary to solve the grammar.

2. Try the questions

Questions stay together by type, with easier items before harder ones within each smaller group. Write an answer and underline the words that prove it.

3. Check after you finish

All questions come before the answer key. In the key, tap a question number to jump to its explanation. The explanation shows the correct reasoning and discusses each wrong answer.

4. Redo your mistakes

Cover the answer, try the question again, and explain the rule aloud in one simple sentence. A correct guess is still a question worth reviewing.

A few helpful words

Subject: who or what a clause is about.
Verb: an action or state, such as runs or is.
Clause: words built around a subject and a verb.
Modifier: a word or phrase that describes something.
Reference / antecedent: what a pronoun points back to.
Possessive: a form showing belonging, such as the bird's nest.
Infinitive: to plus a plain verb, such as to learn.

Use your own paper for answers and notes. Easy, Medium, and Hard indicate the target difficulty inherited from each source model; these new questions have not been statistically calibrated. Each question appears under its main grammar skill.

The 777-question practice plan

The question mix follows the original guide. Because 777 is not an exact multiple of 208, counts are rounded to the closest whole-question allocation. Every original question pattern has three or four new practice versions.

GRAMMAR SKILL	ORIGINAL	THIS GUIDE
Subject-Verb Agreement	54 / 208 25.96%	202 / 777 26.00%
Verb Tenses	31 / 208 14.90%	116 / 777 14.93%
Complete Verbs & Parallel Actions	23 / 208 11.06%	86 / 777 11.07%
Describing Verb Forms & Infinitives	28 / 208 13.46%	104 / 777 13.38%
Pronouns & Matching Reference Words	26 / 208 12.50%	97 / 777 12.48%
Plurals, Possessives & Apostrophes	20 / 208 9.62%	75 / 777 9.65%
Modifiers & Logical Comparisons	26 / 208 12.50%	97 / 777 12.48%

Difficulty and practice design

The target mix is 370 Easy, 179 Medium, and 228 Hard questions. The new questions follow the source models' sentence structures, passage lengths, answer-choice formats, and grammar traps. Closely related versions are spread through their skill groups so students revisit the same rule in different contexts.

Build confidence in small sets. Try 10–15 questions at a time. Check the explanations, name the clue you missed, and return to that rule before starting another set.

TOPIC 01 / 202 QUESTIONS

Subject-Verb Agreement

Match the verb to the real subject.

1. Find the subject

Ask who or what the sentence is about. A singular subject names one person, thing, or activity. A plural subject names more than one. Write "the student reads" but "the students read."

2. Ignore the distractions

Descriptions beginning with of, with, or like may separate the subject from its verb. In "The box of pencils is heavy," box controls is; pencils does not.

3. Watch the special patterns

Each one and every take singular verbs. One activity used as a subject also takes a singular verb: "Reading books is fun." Two separate subjects joined by and usually take a plural verb. A book or game title can name just one thing.

4. Check hidden subjects

After who, which, or that, find the noun being described. Sometimes the subject comes after the verb: "Among the winners was Maya." Reverse the order to check it: "Maya was among the winners."

Your task: Find the clue before choosing a letter. For each wrong answer, name the rule it breaks.

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Finding the real subject

QUESTION 1 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-007-1

Why does the museum call its newest gallery the Listening Room? In this space, visitors hear recordings rather than read labels; as a result, the historical account _____ delivered through a sequence of carefully arranged voices.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. are being

B. are

C. is

D. have been

QUESTION 2 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-039-1

Nadia Rahal, an architect and preservation specialist, _____ part of the team that restored the stone stairways of the old coastal fortress during the early 1980s.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. are

B. were

C. was

D. have been

QUESTION 3 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-149-1

Mara Selim of Eastmere _____ a committed advocate of public access to historical records in the 1920s. The efforts of Mara Selim and other organizers helped establish a free reading room where residents could consult documents previously kept in private collections.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. was

B. were

C. have been

D. are

QUESTION 4 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-051-1

Halfway through her short film Lantern Street, director Mina Darzi changes from fixed shots to moving camera sequences. Using the same precise technique developed in earlier work, she _____ the camera between closely spaced market stalls and reveals the hidden courtyards behind them.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. are guiding

B. guide

C. guides

D. were guiding

QUESTION 5 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-035-1

According to museum historian Lina Dawes, curators of regional collections _____ four broad functions—preservation, interpretation, research, and education—that together help visitors understand objects in context.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. has performed

B. perform

C. is performing

D. performs

QUESTION 6 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-140-1

Field of Voices is a steel and glass installation by artist Nina Kader. It commemorates the community's volunteer translators. The installation _____ in a sheltered courtyard near the central library, where visitors can hear excerpts from recorded interviews.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. were standing

B. have been standing

C. are standing

D. stands

QUESTION 7 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-033-1

The ensemble called Harbor Strings combines plucked strings with soft hand percussion. One instrument responsible for its unusual sound is the frame zither. The frame zither _____ a shallow wooden box whose strings are stretched across a resonating surface.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. is

B. have been

C. were

D. are

QUESTION 8 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-130-1

Researcher Leila Chen, of the Institute for Urban Studies, _____ neighborhood communication through interviews and observations conducted in both long-established neighborhoods and newly developed districts—particularly, how notice boards and shared message groups function as tools for coordinating local activities and building trust.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. are investigating

B. investigate

C. investigates

D. have investigated

QUESTION 9 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-206-1

One of the oldest records in the archive is a hand-drawn diagram believed to date from the early years of the settlement. The diagram _____ the arrangement of the original public gardens, marks the location of a central well, and identifies the paths connecting nearby houses.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. are depicting

B. have depicted

C. depicts

D. depict

QUESTION 10 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-055-1

Structures ranging from the curved footbridge over Alder Brook to the roof of the Eastgate pavilion to the entrance to the hilltop observatory _____ designed by twentieth-century architect Leila Marsh.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. was

B. were

C. is

D. has been

QUESTION 11 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-108-1

While designing the Harbor Learning Center, architect Lina Darzi drew on her experience teaching workshops in crowded classrooms. The completed building is Lina Darzi's first major public commission, but her work _____ recognized before. As a student, she submitted a model for a low-cost reading shelter to an international design competition—and won.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. are

B. have been

C. were

D. has been

QUESTION 12 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-076-1

The village of Orlen in the northern highlands _____ one of the few settlements located above the region's permanent tree line.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. is

B. are being

C. are

D. have been

QUESTION 13 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-182-1

In the maritime republic (1620–1680), port councils _____ coastal associations that coordinated repairs to docks and shared the expense of maintaining harbor channels.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. has been

B. were

C. is

D. was

QUESTION 14 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-167-1

In 1987, urban designer Lina Vale developed a model to explain how pedestrians choose routes through crowded public squares. The planning model, named for the square where it was first tested, _____ an important reference in the study of movement through shared spaces.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. are remaining

B. have remained

C. remain

D. remains

QUESTION 15 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-007-2

Why does the museum call its newest gallery the Listening Room? In this space, visitors hear recordings rather than read labels; as a result, the central narrative _____ delivered through a collection of restored radio broadcasts.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. have been

B. are

C. are being

D. is

QUESTION 16 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-039-2

Elias Moreno, a botanist and scientific illustrator, _____ part of the team that cataloged the plants collected along the northern mountain trail during the late 1960s.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. have been

B. are

C. were

D. was

QUESTION 17 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-149-2

Nadia Vale of Glenhaven _____ a committed advocate of equal access to vocational training in the 1930s. The efforts of Nadia Vale and other organizers helped create evening classes for workers who could not attend the existing daytime programs.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. are

B. have been

C. were

D. was

QUESTION 18 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-051-2

Halfway through her performance Northern Lines, dancer Tara Naim changes from slow balances to rapid traveling steps. Using the same precise technique developed in earlier work, she _____ her partner through a series of turns and creates a flowing pattern across the stage.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. were guiding

B. guides

C. guide

D. are guiding

QUESTION 19 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-035-2

According to publishing scholar Nabil Hart, editors of literary journals _____ four broad functions—selection, revision, organization, and verification—that together help writers communicate with their audiences.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. perform

B. has performed

C. is performing

D. performs

QUESTION 20 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-140-2

The Open Gate is a stone and bronze monument by sculptor Mara Vale. It honors the workers who rebuilt the town after a major flood. The monument _____ in a small public garden beside the river, within sight of the oldest surviving bridge.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. were standing

B. stands

C. are standing

D. have been standing

QUESTION 21 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-033-2

The ensemble called Harbor Strings combines traditional melodies with improvised rhythmic patterns. One instrument responsible for its unusual sound is the bowl lyre. The bowl lyre _____ a compact stringed instrument played by plucking strings attached to a rounded wooden frame.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. were

B. are

C. is

D. have been

QUESTION 22 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-130-2

Researcher Mira Rafi, of the Center for Cultural Research, _____ communal dining through interviews and observations conducted in both long-established neighborhoods and newly developed districts—particularly, how seasonal meals and public celebrations function as opportunities for maintaining relationships across different generations.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. have investigated

B. are investigating

C. investigates

D. investigate

QUESTION 23 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-206-2

One of the most unusual objects in the collection is a wooden model made for a proposed railway terminal. The model _____ the layout of the main platforms, shows the position of the ticket hall, and includes the routes leading to the surrounding streets.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. depict

B. depicts

C. are depicting

D. have depicted

QUESTION 24 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-055-2

Products ranging from the adjustable Finch desk lamp to the portable Reed field stool to the modular Vale shelving system _____ designed by industrial designer Tomas Elian.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. is

B. was

C. has been

D. were

QUESTION 25 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-108-2

While designing the Alder Science Pavilion, architect Mara Naim drew on her childhood visits to small regional museums. The completed building is Mara Naim's first independent museum project, but her work _____ recognized before. As a student, she entered a contest for the design of a mobile exhibition stand—and won.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. were

B. has been

C. have been

D. are

QUESTION 26 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-076-2

The observatory of Luma in the coastal desert _____ one of the few research stations located far from any major source of artificial light.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. is

B. are

C. are being

D. have been

QUESTION 27 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-182-2

In the hill kingdom (1440–1510), assemblies _____ village councils that distributed grazing rights among families living on neighboring slopes.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. was

B. is

C. has been

D. were

QUESTION 28 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-167-2

In 1979, botanist Mara Reed developed a system to compare the branching patterns of plants growing in exposed habitats. The classification system, named for the region surveyed during its development, _____ an important reference in research on the relationship between growth and wind exposure.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. remain

B. remains

C. have remained

D. are remaining

QUESTION 29 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-007-3

Why does the museum call its newest gallery the Listening Room? In this space, visitors hear recordings rather than read labels; as a result, the exhibition commentary _____ delivered through a series of conversations with local residents.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. are being

B. are

C. is

D. have been

QUESTION 30 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-039-3

Mina Calder, a linguist and oral historian, _____ part of the team that recorded the surviving songs of several remote island communities during the early 1990s.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. were

B. are

C. was

D. have been

QUESTION 31 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-149-3

Lina Rafi of Willow Bay _____ a committed advocate of the preservation of neighborhood parks in the 1940s. The efforts of Lina Rafi and other organizers helped secure permanent protection for several green spaces threatened by commercial development.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. were

B. was

C. are

D. have been

QUESTION 32 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-051-3

Halfway through her workshop on paper sculpture, artist Lena Vale changes from folding techniques to careful cutting. Using the same precise technique developed in earlier work, she _____ a narrow blade along the penciled outlines and forms delicate openings in the paper.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. were guiding

B. guides

C. are guiding

D. guide

QUESTION 33 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-035-3

According to community researcher Nora Vale, volunteers of neighborhood archives _____ four broad functions—collection, cataloging, translation, and outreach—that together help residents preserve their shared history.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. perform

B. is performing

C. has performed

D. performs

QUESTION 34 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-140-3

Turning Pages is a wooden and metal sculpture by artist Lena Reed. It celebrates the founding of the neighborhood reading society. The sculpture _____ in the entrance hall of the community center, close to the building's original book room.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. are standing

B. were standing

C. stands

D. have been standing

QUESTION 35 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-033-3

The ensemble called Harbor Strings combines sustained chords with quick melodic passages. One instrument responsible for its unusual sound is the reed organ. The reed organ _____ a keyboard instrument that sends air through a set of carefully tuned reeds.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. is

B. have been

C. were

D. are

QUESTION 36 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-130-3

Researcher Nina Marsh, of the Laboratory for Environmental Design, _____ public seating through interviews and observations conducted in both long-established neighborhoods and newly developed districts—particularly, how benches and movable chairs function as elements that shape social interaction in busy outdoor spaces.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. have investigated

B. investigates

C. investigate

D. are investigating

QUESTION 37 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-206-3

One of the earliest surviving views of the harbor is a small sketch found among a merchant's private papers. The sketch _____ the curve of the original shoreline, records the positions of several piers, and indicates the channel used by arriving ships.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. are depicting

B. depict

C. depicts

D. have depicted

QUESTION 38 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-055-3

Spaces ranging from the Harbor History reading room to the Willow School courtyard to the circular gallery at the municipal museum _____ designed by landscape architect Nina Hale.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. has been

B. was

C. is

D. were

QUESTION 39 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-108-3

While designing the Ridgeway Music School, architect Nina Salem drew on her years playing in youth orchestras with limited rehearsal space. The completed building is Nina Salem's first educational complex, but her work _____ recognized before. As a student, she proposed a compact soundproof practice booth in a national student contest—and won.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. are

B. were

C. has been

D. have been

QUESTION 40 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-076-3

The island of Seren in the western archipelago _____ one of the few landforms located inside the circular rim of an ancient crater.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. are being

B. have been

C. are

D. is

QUESTION 41 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-182-3

In the river federation (1730–1790), consortia _____ trading cooperatives that organized shipments and negotiated common fees at busy landing places.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. were

B. was

C. is

D. has been

QUESTION 42 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-167-3

In 1996, acoustics researcher Nadia Hart developed a scale to describe how different surfaces scatter reflected sound. The measurement scale, named for the laboratory where the first trials took place, _____ an important reference in the design of small performance rooms.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. remain

B. remains

C. are remaining

D. have remained

QUESTION 43 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-007-4

Why does the museum call its newest gallery the Listening Room? In this space, visitors hear recordings rather than read labels; as a result, the visitor introduction _____ delivered through several recordings made by neighborhood historians.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. is

B. have been

C. are being

D. are

QUESTION 44 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-051-4

Halfway through her demonstration of glass engraving, craftsperson Nadia Reed changes from broad curves to fine details. Using the same precise technique developed in earlier work, she _____ the rotating tool across the glass surface and creates a pattern of intersecting lines.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. guide

B. are guiding

C. guides

D. were guiding

QUESTION 45 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-035-4

According to acoustics specialist Mara Finch, technicians of recording studios _____ four broad functions—calibration, monitoring, adjustment, and maintenance—that together help performers produce clear and balanced recordings.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. has performed

B. perform

C. performs

D. is performing

QUESTION 46 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-140-4

Across the Water is a granite and copper memorial by designer Dalia Hart. It recognizes families who helped establish the first harbor school. The memorial _____ in a tree-lined square near the waterfront, a short walk from the school's former location.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. were standing

B. stands

C. are standing

D. have been standing

QUESTION 47 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-130-4

Researcher Tara Vale, of the School of Applied Linguistics, _____ multilingual storytelling through interviews and observations conducted in both long-established neighborhoods and newly developed districts—particularly, how family anecdotes and traditional songs function as resources for passing language knowledge from adults to children.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. have investigated

B. investigates

C. investigate

D. are investigating

QUESTION 48 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-206-4

One of the most informative documents in the survey is a carefully labeled map prepared by a local schoolteacher. The map _____ the boundaries of cultivated fields, shows the course of a narrow stream, and includes the names of the neighboring farms.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. are depicting

B. have depicted

C. depict

D. depicts

QUESTION 49 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-055-4

Instruments ranging from the compact Bell hand press to the rotating Darzi binding frame to the adjustable Kader paper cutter _____ designed by workshop engineer Sami Rourke.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. is

B. has been

C. were

D. was

QUESTION 50 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-108-4

While designing the Willow Community Hall, architect Dalia Marsh drew on her involvement in neighborhood meetings held in borrowed rooms. The completed building is Dalia Marsh's first civic building, but her work _____ recognized before. As a student, she entered a competition to design an inexpensive temporary meeting space—and won.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. have been

B. are

C. were

D. has been

QUESTION 51 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-076-4

The library of Maren in the old harbor district _____ one of the few public buildings located directly above the remains of a medieval warehouse.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. are being

B. have been

C. are

D. is

QUESTION 52 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-167-4

In 1968, historian Dalia Chen developed a framework to compare the ways communities preserve accounts of major local events. The analytical framework, named for the archive that supplied its initial examples, _____ an important reference in studies of collective memory and historical records.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. remains

B. are remaining

C. have remained

D. remain

QUESTION 53 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-157-1

In Crossing the Square, Mara Chen's short musical composition, a quiet three-note figure returns whenever the main melody pauses. The repetition of that small figure _____ the steady movement of people through a familiar public place.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. suggests

B. have suggested

C. are suggesting

D. suggest

QUESTION 54 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-125-1

In 1978, delegates from twelve coastal communities met to approve a shared plan for maintaining navigation channels. The agreements, which established common rules for dredging and inspection, _____ adopted in the ports of Alwen and Merin, both located along the region's northern shore.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. were

B. was

C. is

D. has been

QUESTION 55 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-200-1

Mara Vale and Nina Hart were among the artists represented in the Harbor Exhibition of 1932, a public show introducing unfamiliar approaches to the city's audiences. Although controversial at the time, a sculpture created by Lena Rafi—one of several works that critics initially dismissed as unfinished—_____ the museum's permanent collection of landmark regional works decades later.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. has joined

B. have joined

C. join

D. were joining

QUESTION 56 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-180-1

Many oral histories recorded in the valley begin with a short statement naming the speaker's family. Others start by identifying a memorable local event. Such openings, known as narrative introductions, _____ from one community to another.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. has varied

B. is varying

C. vary

D. varies

QUESTION 57 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-199-1

Because a cycle of the instrument's calibration steps _____ nearly forty minutes to complete, technicians cannot repeat the entire process during every short interruption, so they check selected readings instead.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. takes

B. have taken

C. are taking

D. take

QUESTION 58 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-159-1

Nora Hale is a field engineer who found visual displays difficult to read in bright sunlight. That experience led Nora Hale to develop a system that turns measurement changes into tactile signals. The vibration-based instruments _____ workers to recognize sudden shifts in pressure. Such shifts may be difficult to notice through conventional gauges.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. has enabled

B. enables

C. is enabling

D. enable

QUESTION 59 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-132-1

The Proto-Maren language, proposed ancestor of twenty regional languages with related grammatical structures, _____ like other reconstructed languages, hypothetical: no surviving document records its original spoken form.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. are,

B. were,

C. is,

D. have been,

QUESTION 60 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-059-1

Climate fiction often imagines technologies that reshape ordinary life. In Nora Faris's short story "Glass Orchard," an automated greenhouse that monitors soil conditions, redistributing water through a network of narrow tubes and storage tanks, _____ a remote community through several dry seasons.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. have supported

B. supports

C. are supporting

D. support

QUESTION 61 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-145-1

In several works from the late 1980s, artist Lena Faris represented the farms of the northern valley through geometric abstraction, using broad areas of pale green and ocher to suggest the surrounding landscape. Notably, the rectangle representing the main storage barn _____ among the few clearly outlined shapes in the series.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. is

B. were

C. are

D. have been

QUESTION 62 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-157-2

In The Last Window, Lena Hart's brief dramatic monologue, the speaker repeatedly addresses an unseen listener as "you." The use of the direct address _____ a conversation that continues even when no reply can be heard.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. suggest

B. are suggesting

C. have suggested

D. suggests

QUESTION 63 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-125-2

In 1986, delegates from six regional archives met to approve a system for protecting fragile manuscripts. The standards, which set limits on light exposure and humidity, _____ adopted in the cities of Darven and Holme, both home to major historical collections.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. is

B. were

C. has been

D. was

QUESTION 64 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-200-2

Tara Chen and Dalia Reed were among the artists represented in the Northern Salon of 1946, an annual display that challenged established standards of landscape art. Although controversial at the time, a painting created by Mina Saye—one of several works that reviewers criticized for their unusual use of color—_____ the gallery's selection of influential twentieth-century paintings decades later.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. were joining

B. has joined

C. join

D. have joined

QUESTION 65 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-180-2

Many traditional woven borders begin with a repeated series of small diamond shapes. Others use alternating bands of narrow triangles. Such patterns, known as edge motifs, _____ from one workshop to another.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. has varied

B. varies

C. vary

D. is varying

QUESTION 66 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-199-2

Because a sequence of the machine's cleaning operations _____ approximately two hours to complete, the workshop schedules the procedure after normal production ends, when the equipment is no longer needed.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. take

B. takes

C. are taking

D. have taken

QUESTION 67 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-159-2

Mina Rafi is a laboratory researcher who had trouble comparing dense columns of numerical results. That experience led Mina Rafi to develop software that represents changing values as musical intervals. The sound-guided tools _____ scientists to identify repeating patterns in the data. Such patterns may be difficult to notice through printed tables.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. enables

B. enable

C. has enabled

D. is enabling

QUESTION 68 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-132-2

The Early Vey dialect, proposed ancestor of twelve island dialects with related sound patterns, _____ like other reconstructed dialects, hypothetical: researchers infer its features from later forms rather than direct recordings.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. were,

B. have been,

C. are,

D. is,

QUESTION 69 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-059-2

Climate fiction often imagines technologies that reshape ordinary life. In Mina Reed's short story "The Listening Building," an adaptive library that tracks readers' requests, rearranging its shelves through a system of mobile platforms and hidden rails, _____ the changing needs of a rapidly growing town.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. support

B. supports

C. have supported

D. are supporting

QUESTION 70 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-145-2

In several works from the early 1990s, artist Mina Darzi represented the city's sheltered harbor through loosely layered color, using overlapping patches of blue and gray to suggest the surrounding landscape. Notably, the thin crescent representing the outer breakwater _____ among the few clearly outlined shapes in the series.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. is

B. have been

C. were

D. are

QUESTION 71 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-157-3

In Harbor at Dusk, Nina Vale's large photographic sequence, images of empty piers alternate with crowded scenes of arriving travelers. The arrangement of those contrasting images _____ the changing rhythms of a port as work gives way to evening activity.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. have suggested

B. suggest

C. are suggesting

D. suggests

QUESTION 72 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-125-3

In 1994, delegates from nine agricultural districts met to approve a policy for managing shared irrigation canals. The resolutions, which outlined responsibilities for repairs and water distribution, _____ adopted in the towns of Neral and Vey, both situated within the same river basin.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. was

B. has been

C. is

D. were

QUESTION 73 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-200-3

Nora Marsh and Leila Naim were among the artists represented in the Open Rooms Festival of 1978, an exhibition combining experimental sound with unconventional visual materials. Although controversial at the time, an installation created by Rina Vale—one of several works that visitors found difficult to classify—_____ the archive's collection of pioneering multimedia projects decades later.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. has joined

B. join

C. were joining

D. have joined

QUESTION 74 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-180-3

Many harbor announcements in the region begin with three evenly spaced tones. Others use a brief rising sequence to attract attention. Such signals, known as attention cues, _____ from one port to another.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. vary

B. is varying

C. has varied

D. varies

QUESTION 75 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-199-3

Because a round of the laboratory's sample checks _____ about ninety minutes to complete, researchers prepare the next set while the current one is being examined, keeping the instruments in continuous use.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. have taken

B. take

C. takes

D. are taking

QUESTION 76 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-159-3

Tara Vale is an urban planner who worked with residents who could not rely on color differences. That experience led Tara Vale to develop maps that use raised surfaces to distinguish kinds of terrain. The texture-coded maps _____ visitors to recognize boundaries between neighboring areas. Such boundaries may be difficult to notice through color alone.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. enables

B. has enabled

C. enable

D. is enabling

QUESTION 77 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-132-3

The Proto-Orlen language, proposed ancestor of thirty mountain languages with related vocabulary systems, _____ like other ancestral languages, hypothetical: its existence is inferred from regular correspondences among modern words.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. are,

B. is,

C. were,

D. have been,

QUESTION 78 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-059-3

Climate fiction often imagines technologies that reshape ordinary life. In Tomas Vale's short story "Beneath the Harbor," an artificial reef that channels tidal currents, directing them through interconnected chambers and ceramic passages, _____ a waterfront ecosystem throughout the harsh winter months.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. have supported

B. are supporting

C. supports

D. support

QUESTION 79 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-145-3

In several works from the mid-1970s, artist Tara Vale represented the dry plains near her childhood home through minimal compositions, using scattered marks in rust and yellow to suggest the surrounding landscape. Notably, the circle representing the village well _____ among the few clearly outlined shapes in the series.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. are

B. is

C. were

D. have been

QUESTION 80 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-157-4

In A Map of Rooms, Dalia Rafi's collection of linked poems, short lines about doorways appear between much longer descriptions of interiors. The placement of those brief lines _____ the act of moving from one remembered space into another.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. suggest

B. have suggested

C. suggests

D. are suggesting

QUESTION 81 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-125-4

In 1969, delegates from eight neighboring municipalities met to approve a coordinated program of public transport improvements. The proposals, which introduced common schedules and simplified transfers, _____ adopted in the centers of Eastmere and Glenhaven, both served by the original intercity railway.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. were

B. was

C. has been

D. is

QUESTION 82 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-180-4

Many letters preserved in the town archive begin with a conventional wish for the recipient's health. Others open with a reference to the season or weather. Such phrases, known as greetings, _____ from one generation to another.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. is varying

B. varies

C. has varied

D. vary

QUESTION 83 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-159-4

Lena Chen is a dance instructor who wanted students to understand movements too rapid to see clearly. That experience led Lena Chen to develop sensors that convert changes in position into simplified diagrams. The motion-tracking devices _____ learners to identify small differences in timing. Such differences may be difficult to notice through ordinary video playback.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. enables

B. has enabled

C. is enabling

D. enable

QUESTION 84 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-132-4

The Ancient Sera dialect, proposed ancestor of sixteen coastal dialects with related verb endings, _____ like other reconstructed dialects, hypothetical: linguists rely on comparative evidence rather than a complete historical text.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. is,

B. have been,

C. were,

D. are,

QUESTION 85 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-059-4

Climate fiction often imagines technologies that reshape ordinary life. In Dalia Saye's short story "Quiet District," an acoustic barrier that detects traffic noise, redirecting sound through an array of angled panels and resonating cavities, _____ a thriving population of birds in the neighboring gardens.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. are supporting

B. supports

C. have supported

D. support

QUESTION 86 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-145-4

In several works from the early 2000s, artist Nora Reed represented the hills beyond the coastal road through simplified forms, using soft bands of violet and brown to suggest the surrounding landscape. Notably, the triangle representing the highest distant peak _____ among the few clearly outlined shapes in the series.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. are

B. is

C. have been

D. were

QUESTION 87 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-085-1

Researchers Lena Marsh and Tomas Rafi's analysis of public library access and its expansion over several decades _____ six features that encourage participation, including long opening hours and multilingual collections. The district's new library plan includes several of these features.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. identifies

B. have identified

C. identify

D. are identifying

QUESTION 88 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-160-1

A city's public gardens serve both as habitats for wildlife and as gathering places for residents. The question of how planners can balance these distinct functions across neighborhoods, and secondarily what features allow them to reinforce rather than limit one another, _____ ecologist Lina Marsh's recent study "Shared Ground: Designing for People and Other Species."

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. have motivated

B. motivate

C. motivates

D. motivating

QUESTION 89 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-020-1

At the submerged port of Merin, the discovery of numerous stone anchors, which researchers initially thought had all been removed centuries earlier, _____ the view that the harbor once accommodated unusually large trading vessels.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. have supported

B. support

C. supports

D. are supporting

QUESTION 90 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-184-1

Researchers examining a collection of hand-carved wooden stamps, hundreds of small printing tools preserved in the workshop of a nineteenth-century publisher, were surprised to discover that the outline of each stamp's central emblem, like the outline of each maker's signature, _____ unique.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. were

B. is

C. have been

D. are

QUESTION 91 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-036-1

In The Courtyard Notebook, Lena Darzi describes the sounds of street vendors, laundry hung between windows, and neighbors exchanging news. So attentive an observer is Lena Darzi, a onetime resident of the old merchant quarter, that the book's reflections on ordinary urban life _____ readers long after the scenes themselves have disappeared.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. engage

B. has engaged

C. engages

D. is engaging

QUESTION 92 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-168-1

New approaches are reshaping the conservation of historic buildings, according to architect Mina Rafi. The accomplishments of architect Mina Rafi, recipient of a regional award for adapting traditional methods to modern restoration problems, _____ the value of collaboration among people trained in different fields in finding practical solutions to damage that earlier specialists considered too difficult to repair.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. is demonstrating

B. has demonstrated

C. demonstrate

D. demonstrates

QUESTION 93 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-126-1

Artist Lena Kader's exhibition Temporary Boundaries combines drawings, objects, and projected images. The installations, incorporating materials as different as woven reeds, polished metal scraps, and transparent sheets suspended from thin wires, _____ the ways people divide spaces into private and public areas.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. explore

B. exploring

C. explores

D. has explored

QUESTION 94 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-074-1

The Coastal Manuscript Exchange, one of more than seventy annual gatherings devoted to historical research, _____ cooperation among regional archives by helping small collections locate specialists in fragile documents.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. encourage

B. encourages

C. have encouraged

D. are encouraging

QUESTION 95 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-112-1

Researcher Mina Hale, sometimes in collaboration with Tomas Rafi and Nora Chen, _____ credited with developing a method for reconstructing damaged inscriptions. After using Tomas Rafi's earlier catalog of recurring letter shapes, Mina Hale argued that the contribution deserved recognition. Nora Chen later improved the method's treatment of irregular surfaces, leading some colleagues to acknowledge that work as well.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. is

B. are

C. have been

D. are being

QUESTION 96 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-018-1

In her recent book Shared Seasons, cultural historian Leila Mansour examines the idea that the social traditions a community has inherited through generations of contact with neighboring groups and adaptation to changing circumstances (festivals, rituals, customary greetings, and collective celebrations) _____ the ways its members interpret unfamiliar public events.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. influences

B. is influencing

C. has influenced

D. influence

QUESTION 97 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-197-1

A forest beetle produces short bursts of sound to warn nearby rivals away. However, in certain conditions, the signals the forest beetle uses to defend its territory actually _____ its visibility to hungry birds. The woodland thrush, for example, can locate the beetle by following the repeated calls.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. is increasing

B. has increased

C. increases

D. increase

QUESTION 98 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-041-1

In the 1980s, botanist Lina Faris became an influential advocate for wetland conservation. Her detailed survey of plants in Willow Marsh, a coastal reserve on the western edge of the city that contains nearly two hundred flowering species, many of which are uncommon elsewhere, _____ central to the council's decision to protect the site.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. are

B. have been

C. was

D. were

QUESTION 99 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-045-1

The creative interests of Mara Kassem, best known for her illustrated memoir about growing up beside a busy harbor, _____ confined to books: she also designed public mosaics, where her use of broken ceramics collected from demolished buildings became a distinctive feature of the work.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. wasn't

B. aren't

C. hasn't been

D. isn't

QUESTION 100 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-085-2

Researchers Nina Vale and Omar Chen's comparison of urban tree cover and its distribution across different neighborhoods _____ five factors associated with cooler streets, including connected planting areas and mature canopy height. The city's revised landscape plan includes several of these features.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. have identified

B. are identifying

C. identifies

D. identify

QUESTION 101 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-160-2

Traditional storytelling conveys information while also creating emotional connections among listeners. The question of which narrative features support these different purposes across cultures, and secondarily how those features change when stories move into new media, _____ linguist Mara Naim's recent study "Ways of Telling: Memory, Feeling, and Form."

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. have motivated

B. motivating

C. motivate

D. motivates

QUESTION 102 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-020-2

At the mountain observatory of Telin, the detection of numerous faint pulses, which researchers initially thought were merely random fluctuations in the equipment, _____ the view that the distant source emits signals at regular intervals.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. supports

B. are supporting

C. have supported

D. support

QUESTION 103 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-184-2

Researchers examining the tiles of an ancient courtyard, thousands of fired-clay pieces uncovered beneath the remains of a large public building, were surprised to discover that the shape of each tile's underside, like the shape of each worker's thumbprint, _____ distinctive.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. were

B. is

C. have been

D. are

QUESTION 104 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-036-2

In A Season beside the River, Samir Hale describes boats passing under bridges, fishermen repairing nets, and children following the rising tide. So attentive an observer is Samir Hale, a schoolteacher in a small waterside town, that the book's observations on the rhythms of river communities _____ readers long after the scenes themselves have disappeared.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. has engaged

B. is engaging

C. engages

D. engage

QUESTION 105 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-168-2

New approaches are reshaping the study of urban ecosystems, according to ecologist Lena Vale. The achievements of ecologist Lena Vale, leader of a long-running project involving residents, gardeners, and local schools, _____ the value of knowledge gathered outside conventional research institutions in identifying patterns of seasonal change that short scientific visits can easily miss.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. is demonstrating

B. has demonstrated

C. demonstrate

D. demonstrates

QUESTION 106 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-126-2

Artist Mina Hart's exhibition Objects in Transit combines photographs, sculptures, and recorded voices. The assemblages, incorporating materials as different as damaged suitcases, printed shipping labels, and small maps folded into geometric shapes, _____ the ways people carry memories from one home to another.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. exploring

B. has explored

C. explores

D. explore

QUESTION 107 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-074-2

The Northern Design Forum, one of more than ninety international meetings focused on accessible architecture, _____ innovation in public buildings by connecting emerging designers with experienced construction teams.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. are encouraging

B. have encouraged

C. encourage

D. encourages

QUESTION 108 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-112-2

Researcher Lena Darzi, sometimes in collaboration with Omar Vale and Tara Bell, _____ credited with establishing a technique for mapping buried waterways. After using Omar Vale's earlier measurements of surface moisture, Lena Darzi argued that the contribution deserved recognition. Tara Bell later extended the technique to areas covered by dense vegetation, leading some colleagues to acknowledge that work as well.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. are being

B. have been

C. is

D. are

QUESTION 109 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-018-2

In her recent book Stories between Generations, cultural historian Mina Ortiz examines the idea that the narrative patterns a community has inherited through generations of contact with neighboring groups and adaptation to changing circumstances (legends, folktales, creation stories, and family recollections) _____ the ways its members interpret conflicting accounts of the past.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. influences

B. influence

C. is influencing

D. has influenced

QUESTION 110 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-197-2

A meadow moth produces contrasting wing patterns to confuse approaching predators. However, in certain conditions, the markings the meadow moth uses to disrupt its outline actually _____ its visibility against unusually dark leaves. The night-feeding bat, for example, may detect the moth more easily when the patterns contrast with the surrounding vegetation.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. increase

B. increases

C. has increased

D. is increasing

QUESTION 111 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-041-2

In the 1990s, architect Mira Saye became an influential advocate for historic preservation. Her detailed inventory of buildings in Lantern Square, a commercial district near the old railway station that contains nearly eighty nineteenth-century shops, several of which retain their original interiors, _____ central to the council's decision to protect the site.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. were

B. was

C. have been

D. are

QUESTION 112 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-045-2

The artistic abilities of Leon Hart, best known for his photographic study of abandoned railway stations, _____ confined to photography: he also composed chamber music, where his ability to turn recurring mechanical sounds into melodic patterns became a distinctive feature of the work.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. aren't

B. hasn't been

C. wasn't

D. isn't

QUESTION 113 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-085-3

Researchers Mara Hart and Sami Darzi's assessment of coastal evacuation systems and their performance during severe storms _____ seven practices that improve preparedness, including clear route markings and regular community drills. The county's emergency policy includes several of these features.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. are identifying

B. have identified

C. identifies

D. identify

QUESTION 114 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-160-3

Museum labels must communicate essential facts while leaving visitors room for personal interpretation. The question of what kinds of wording meet both goals in a limited space, and secondarily how readers with different backgrounds respond to those choices, _____ curator Nina Vale's recent study "Reading beside Objects: Information and Imagination."

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. have motivated

B. motivate

C. motivates

D. motivating

QUESTION 115 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-020-3

At the abandoned settlement of Arven, the recovery of numerous woven baskets, which researchers initially thought could not have survived the region's damp conditions, _____ the view that its inhabitants used sophisticated techniques to preserve stored food.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. are supporting

B. supports

C. support

D. have supported

QUESTION 116 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-184-3

Researchers examining a set of woven storage baskets, dozens of containers recovered from a dry chamber inside a mountain settlement, were surprised to discover that the pattern of each basket's rim, like the pattern of each weaver's preferred stitch, _____ recognizable.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. were

B. have been

C. are

D. is

QUESTION 117 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-036-3

In Winter at the Station, Mira Bell describes snow gathered on platforms, travelers waiting under lamps, and porters carrying parcels. So attentive an observer is Mira Bell, a former railway clerk, that the book's meditations on journeys and temporary encounters _____ readers long after the scenes themselves have disappeared.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. has engaged

B. engages

C. engage

D. is engaging

QUESTION 118 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-168-3

New approaches are reshaping the interpretation of community archives, according to historian Nadia Chen. The contributions of historian Nadia Chen, coordinator of an exhibition based on family letters and privately held photographs, _____ the value of the participation of people with varied personal experiences in recovering aspects of local history that official records have left largely unexplored.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. demonstrates

B. is demonstrating

C. demonstrate

D. has demonstrated

QUESTION 119 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-126-3

Artist Tara Saye's exhibition Borrowed Light combines textiles, glasswork, and moving shadows. The pieces, incorporating materials as different as dyed cloth, discarded windowpanes, and rotating screens positioned near a single lamp, _____ the ways people alter their surroundings through ordinary acts of arrangement.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. explores

B. exploring

C. explore

D. has explored

QUESTION 120 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-074-3

The Urban Ecology Assembly, one of more than sixty recurring conferences on environmental planning, _____ collaboration among city researchers by providing a shared platform for studies of neighborhood habitats.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. are encouraging

B. have encouraged

C. encourages

D. encourage

QUESTION 121 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-112-3

Researcher Nadia Reed, sometimes in collaboration with Sami Faris and Mara Naim, _____ credited with creating a system for comparing historical pigments. After using Sami Faris's earlier analysis of mineral mixtures, Nadia Reed argued that the contribution deserved recognition. Mara Naim later resolved several uncertainties in the system's color measurements, leading some colleagues to acknowledge that work as well.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. is

B. are being

C. have been

D. are

QUESTION 122 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-018-3

In her recent book Hearing Together, cultural historian Nadia Park examines the idea that the musical conventions a community has inherited through generations of contact with neighboring groups and adaptation to changing circumstances (rhythms, scales, performance customs, and favored instruments) _____ the ways its members interpret new forms of musical expression.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. influences

B. influence

C. has influenced

D. is influencing

QUESTION 123 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-197-3

A coastal plant produces strongly scented compounds to discourage insects from feeding. However, in certain conditions, the chemicals the coastal plant uses to protect its leaves actually _____ its appeal to one specialized herbivore. The striped leaf miner, for example, tolerates the compounds and uses their scent to locate suitable plants.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. has increased

B. increase

C. increases

D. is increasing

QUESTION 124 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-041-3

In the 1970s, ecologist Dalia Rourke became an influential advocate for river restoration. Her detailed analysis of insect populations in Alder Creek, a narrow waterway running through the industrial quarter that contains nearly forty types of aquatic insects, many of which are sensitive to pollution, _____ central to the council's decision to protect the site.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. was

B. have been

C. were

D. are

QUESTION 125 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-045-3

The technical accomplishments of Nina Vale, best known for her prizewinning design for an adjustable reading lamp, _____ confined to lighting: she also developed exhibition furniture, where her emphasis on lightweight parts that could be rearranged without tools became a distinctive feature of the work.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. wasn't

B. isn't

C. hasn't been

D. aren't

QUESTION 126 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-085-4

Researchers Dalia Reed and Elias Naim's examination of museum visitor engagement and its variation among exhibition spaces _____ four design choices that sustain attention, including comfortable viewing distances and concise object labels. The museum's redesigned main gallery includes several of these features.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. have identified

B. are identifying

C. identifies

D. identify

QUESTION 127 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-160-4

Railway stations move large numbers of passengers while also providing places to wait and meet. The question of which spatial arrangements make these activities compatible, and secondarily how changes in traffic volume affect the relationship between them, _____ planner Dalia Reed's recent study "Moving and Staying: The Social Life of Stations."

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. motivates

B. motivate

C. have motivated

D. motivating

QUESTION 128 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-020-4

At the desert excavation near Namar, the identification of numerous painted fragments, which researchers initially thought came from unrelated objects scattered across the site, _____ the view that the building originally contained a single elaborate ceremonial mural.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. have supported

B. support

C. supports

D. are supporting

QUESTION 129 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-036-4

In The Orchard Ledger, Tara Naim describes the first blossoms, baskets filled with pears, and workers sharing meals beneath the trees. So attentive an observer is Tara Naim, the daughter of a fruit grower, that the book's recollections on the seasonal work of farming _____ readers long after the scenes themselves have disappeared.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. engages

B. is engaging

C. has engaged

D. engage

QUESTION 130 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-074-4

The Community Theater Market, one of more than eighty yearly events supporting independent performance groups, _____ the growth of local productions by introducing directors to potential venues and technical partners.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. have encouraged

B. are encouraging

C. encourage

D. encourages

QUESTION 131 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-018-4

In her recent book Places We Remember, cultural historian Rina Salem examines the idea that the architectural preferences a community has inherited through generations of contact with neighboring groups and adaptation to changing circumstances (building materials, roof shapes, courtyard designs, and decorative motifs) _____ the ways its members interpret changes to their surroundings.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. is influencing

B. influence

C. influences

D. has influenced

QUESTION 132 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-197-4

A burrowing cricket produces rapid pulses through the soil to deter other crickets from entering its tunnel. However, in certain conditions, the vibrations the burrowing cricket uses to guard the entrance actually _____ its exposure to certain hunting animals. The ground-dwelling lizard, for example, can detect the repeated pulses and approach the tunnel from above.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. is increasing

B. has increased

C. increase

D. increases

QUESTION 133 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-041-4

In the 1960s, archaeologist Nina Haddad became an influential advocate for regional heritage. Her detailed assessment of artifacts in Stonehaven Cave, a limestone chamber beneath the surrounding wooded hills that contains nearly a thousand objects from early settlements, some of which preserve traces of pigment, _____ central to the council's decision to protect the site.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. were

B. have been

C. are

D. was

QUESTION 134 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-045-4

The literary achievements of Samir Bell, best known for his historical novel about a traveling theater company, _____ confined to fiction: he also wrote essays on landscape painting, where his attention to the relationship between color and remembered places became a distinctive feature of the work.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. isn't

B. wasn't

C. hasn't been

D. aren't

Agreement inside a describing clause

QUESTION 135 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-181-1

"The harbor wakes; the windows open; the first boats leave." This sentence from an imagined travel sketch illustrates a sequence of parallel clauses, a technique that _____ a sense of coordinated movement by giving several actions the same grammatical pattern.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. have created

B. creates

C. are creating

D. create

QUESTION 136 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-001-1

The glow that _____ when certain marine microorganisms are disturbed is known to researchers as bioluminescence.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. appear

B. have appeared

C. appears

D. are appearing

QUESTION 137 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-142-1

Archivist Leila Naim and historian Tomas Reed played leading roles in preparing the Regional Charter for Community Collections, a document that _____ basic procedures for preserving records and making them available to local researchers.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. establish

B. establishes

C. have established

D. were establishing

QUESTION 138 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-181-2

"The room was quiet, quieter than the garden, quieter than the sleeping street." This line from a fictional short story illustrates a gradually expanding comparison, a method that _____ emphasis by moving from a small space toward progressively larger settings.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. are creating

B. create

C. have created

D. creates

QUESTION 139 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-001-2

The color that _____ when a thin oil film floats on water is known to researchers as an interference pattern.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. are appearing

B. have appeared

C. appears

D. appear

QUESTION 140 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-142-2

Engineer Mina Hart and educator Omar Vale played leading roles in preparing the Handbook of Accessible Workshop Design, a manual that _____ practical standards for arranging tools so that people with different abilities can work safely.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. have established

B. establishes

C. were establishing

D. establish

QUESTION 141 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-181-3

"We remembered the road, we remembered the river, we remembered the return." This passage from an invented speech illustrates the repetition of an opening phrase, a strategy that _____ rhythm by beginning several neighboring clauses with the same words.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. creates

B. have created

C. are creating

D. create

QUESTION 142 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-001-3

The vibration that _____ when a taut string is plucked near its midpoint is known to researchers as a standing wave.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. are appearing

B. appear

C. have appeared

D. appears

QUESTION 143 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-142-3

Botanist Nadia Saye and illustrator Elias Chen played leading roles in preparing the Field Companion to Urban Seed Banks, a guide that _____ clear methods for recording plant origins and maintaining accurate labels through successive growing seasons.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. establish

B. establishes

C. have established

D. were establishing

QUESTION 144 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-001-4

The pattern that _____ when sunlight passes through closely spaced narrow openings is known to researchers as a diffraction pattern.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. appears

B. have appeared

C. are appearing

D. appear

QUESTION 145 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-142-4

Planner Dalia Marsh and ecologist Sami Rafi played leading roles in preparing the Coastal Habitat Restoration Plan, a framework that _____ shared criteria for identifying damaged areas and evaluating the progress of conservation work.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. were establishing

B. establish

C. establishes

D. have established

QUESTION 146 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-141-1

The filter inside a laboratory air sampler typically traps dust on a fine mesh, but some exceptionally small fragments can pass through its openings. As engineer Lina Rafi has shown, the second chamber captures particles that _____ suspended after passing through the first barrier.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. remain

B. remains

C. has remained

D. is remaining

QUESTION 147 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-026-1

Designer Mara Chen created a new tool for small urban gardens. After testing several prototypes, Mara Chen developed the folding seed scoop, which _____ of the larger scoops used by commercial growers.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. were a smaller, portable version

B. were smaller, portable versions

C. is a smaller, portable version

D. are smaller, portable versions

QUESTION 148 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-195-1

Interest in acoustic orientation, the process by which animals use reflected sound to locate nearby objects, is increasing because of new work by sensory biologists—many of whom, like field researcher Mina Rafi, _____ this ability to better understand the relationship between movement and perception in complex environments.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. investigate

B. has investigated

C. investigates

D. is investigating

QUESTION 149 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-141-2

The resin produced by the experimental coating typically forms a smooth layer on outdoor surfaces, but it also contains a substance that deters certain small animals. As chemist Mara Darzi has shown, the coating repels insects that _____ in contact with its treated surface.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. remains

B. remain

C. is remaining

D. has remained

QUESTION 150 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-026-2

Designer Leon Saye created a new tool for traveling readers. After testing several prototypes, Leon Saye developed the portable page cradle, which _____ of the heavy bookstands commonly found in research libraries.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. were smaller, portable versions

B. were a smaller, portable version

C. is a smaller, portable version

D. are smaller, portable versions

QUESTION 151 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-195-2

Interest in seed dispersal, the process by which plants spread offspring beyond the immediate area in which they grow, is increasing because of new work by plant ecologists—many of whom, like forest specialist Lena Vale, _____ this mechanism to better understand the ways changing landscapes affect the survival of different species.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. is investigating

B. investigate

C. has investigated

D. investigates

QUESTION 152 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-141-3

The screen used in the water-testing device typically separates larger organisms from the sample, but some microscopic cells can cross its narrow channels. As biologist Nina Vale has shown, the next stage detects cells that _____ in the liquid after initial filtration.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. remains

B. is remaining

C. has remained

D. remain

QUESTION 153 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-026-3

Designer Dina Reed created a new tool for compact kitchens. After testing several prototypes, Dina Reed developed the collapsible mixing paddle, which _____ of the rigid paddles traditionally used in large bakeries.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. were a smaller, portable version

B. were smaller, portable versions

C. is a smaller, portable version

D. are smaller, portable versions

QUESTION 154 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-195-3

Interest in visual adaptation, the process by which the eye adjusts its sensitivity when surrounding light levels change, is increasing because of new work by perception researchers—many of whom, like laboratory scientist Nora Chen, _____ this process to better understand how people maintain useful vision across rapidly changing conditions.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. investigates

B. has investigated

C. is investigating

D. investigate

QUESTION 155 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-141-4

The rotating brush in the textile cleaner typically removes loose material from the fabric, but some fragments stay attached between closely woven threads. As technician Tara Reed has shown, a final suction stage collects fibers that _____ lodged after the brush has passed.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. has remained

B. is remaining

C. remain

D. remains

QUESTION 156 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-195-4

Interest in material fatigue, the process by which repeated stress gradually changes the structure of a solid object, is increasing because of new work by mechanical engineers—many of whom, like testing specialist Dalia Hart, _____ this phenomenon to better understand why small defects sometimes develop into larger failures.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. investigate

B. has investigated

C. is investigating

D. investigates

QUESTION 157 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-043-1

During a recent survey of rock formations along a remote coastline, researchers identified a previously undocumented mineral structure. Like related examples, this mineral structure, which the team examined using high-resolution imaging, has interlocking ridges that _____ the adjoining layers from slipping under pressure.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. has prevented

B. prevents

C. prevent

D. preventing

QUESTION 158 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-043-2

During a recent survey of freshwater habitats in a northern valley, researchers identified a previously undocumented root system. Like related examples, this root system, which the team observed beneath the shallow surface water, has branching channels that _____ sediment from washing away during seasonal floods.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. preventing

B. has prevented

C. prevents

D. prevent

QUESTION 159 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-043-3

During a recent survey of invertebrates living beneath fallen logs, researchers identified a previously undocumented protective covering. Like related examples, this protective covering, which the team photographed under a laboratory microscope, has overlapping plates that _____ the soft tissues beneath them from drying out.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. prevents

B. has prevented

C. prevent

D. preventing

QUESTION 160 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-043-4

During a recent survey of plants growing on exposed mountain slopes, researchers identified a previously undocumented stem arrangement. Like related examples, this stem arrangement, which the team tested under controlled mechanical stress, has flexible joints that _____ strong gusts from snapping the surrounding branches.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. prevent

B. prevents

C. preventing

D. has prevented

An activity as the subject

QUESTION 161 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-073-1

A researcher who stores interviews on only one device risks losing valuable evidence. One way to reduce that risk is to save the files in several secure locations. Keeping duplicate copies of the recordings _____ that a damaged device will not destroy the entire collection.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. ensures

B. are ensuring

C. ensure

D. have ensured

QUESTION 162 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-078-1

The classroom game River Paths adapts a much older counting puzzle played on a wooden board. In both versions, players move counters across a grid of numbered spaces; landing on a marked triangle _____ a player to cross a narrow bridge and reach the opposite bank sooner.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. have allowed

B. are allowing

C. allow

D. allows

QUESTION 163 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-073-2

A carpenter who begins work without reviewing a plan risks wasting expensive materials. One way to reduce that risk is to compare the dimensions with the original drawing. Checking the measurements before cutting _____ that the pieces will fit together as intended.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. ensures

B. have ensured

C. ensure

D. are ensuring

QUESTION 164 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-078-2

The classroom game Market Journey adapts a much older trading exercise practiced with painted stones. In both versions, players carry tokens between imaginary towns along a winding route; stopping beside a blue symbol _____ a player to exchange unwanted goods before continuing toward the final market.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. are allowing

B. have allowed

C. allows

D. allow

QUESTION 165 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-073-3

A fieldworker who carries an untested electronic instrument risks missing important observations. One way to reduce that risk is to verify that the equipment has enough power. Testing the battery before departure _____ that the instrument will operate during the survey.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. are ensuring

B. have ensured

C. ensure

D. ensures

QUESTION 166 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-078-3

The classroom game Garden Circuit adapts a much older seasonal game traced in the soil. In both versions, players advance pieces through sections representing different stages of plant growth; arriving at a shaded square _____ a player to collect extra water and move more quickly through the dry season.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. have allowed

B. allows

C. allow

D. are allowing

QUESTION 167 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-073-4

A botanist who places unidentified specimens in the same container risks confusing their origins. One way to reduce that risk is to record each location immediately. Labeling the samples as they are collected _____ that the later analysis uses reliable location data.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. ensure

B. have ensured

C. ensures

D. are ensuring

QUESTION 168 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-078-4

The classroom game Sky Routes adapts a much older navigation puzzle arranged on a cloth map. In both versions, players follow intersecting paths between points representing distant stars; passing through a double circle _____ a player to bypass a difficult turn and approach the final destination.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. have allowed

B. allow

C. allows

D. are allowing

QUESTION 169 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-022-1

During the rebuilding of the city's harbor, historian Amira Kader worked to preserve accounts of the waterfront neighborhoods. Recording the experiences of displaced families _____ especially important to historian Amira Kader, who later organized a permanent archive of interviews and photographs.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. are

B. have been

C. were

D. was

QUESTION 170 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-022-2

During the debate over regional school funding, educator Tomas Vale worked to bring remote communities into the discussion. Explaining the needs of rural students _____ especially important to educator Tomas Vale, who later established a network of libraries in isolated villages.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. have been

B. were

C. are

D. was

QUESTION 171 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-022-3

During the restoration of the coastal marshes, ecologist Nina Serrat worked to identify the habitats most in need of protection. Documenting the movements of migratory birds _____ especially important to ecologist Nina Serrat, who later developed a long-term monitoring program with local volunteers.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. were

B. was

C. have been

D. are

QUESTION 172 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-022-4

During the expansion of the national craft museum, curator Laila Henson worked to record weaving practices from across the region. Preserving the designs of traditional textiles _____ especially important to curator Laila Henson, who later published an illustrated guide to the collections.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. are

B. was

C. have been

D. were

Each one and every

QUESTION 173 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-065-1

Every last minute of the high-altitude balloon flight, which lasted nine hours and forty minutes, _____ carefully recorded by a team of atmospheric researchers.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. are

B. were

C. was

D. have been

QUESTION 174 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-065-2

Every individual stage of the bridge inspection, which covered six spans and twenty support columns, _____ carefully documented by the city's structural engineering unit.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. was

B. are

C. have been

D. were

QUESTION 175 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-065-3

Every single movement of the robotic assembly trial, which involved twelve mechanical arms and three conveyor belts, _____ carefully monitored by the laboratory's control system.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. are

B. was

C. were

D. have been

QUESTION 176 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-065-4

Every final detail of the restoration project, which included five paintings and two carved frames, _____ carefully reviewed by a panel of conservation specialists.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. was

B. are

C. have been

D. were

QUESTION 177 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-087-1

Several of Nora Henson's novels are organized around journeys through unfamiliar places. Although each one of these novels, which include The Inland Road and The Last Ferry, _____ on a single traveler, some return to the same setting at different points in its history.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. center

B. are centered

C. centers

D. were centered

QUESTION 178 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-173-1

The traditional cycle poem has a carefully organized structure. Scholar Leila Rafi explains that each section, while repeating a pattern of imagery and sound introduced in the opening lines and developed throughout the sequence, _____ independent in its central argument, producing a work whose parts can be read separately without losing their connection to the whole.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. were

B. is

C. are

D. have been

QUESTION 179 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-087-2

Several of Mina Faris's photographic series are organized around the working lives of craftspeople. Although each one of these photographic series, which include Open Kilns and The Turning Wheel, _____ on one particular workshop, some revisit that workshop during several different seasons.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. are centered

B. were centered

C. centers

D. center

QUESTION 180 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-173-2

The narrative folding screen has a carefully organized structure. Scholar Mina Vale explains that each panel, while following the arrangement of colors and borders established at the left edge and carried across the entire surface, _____ complete in its visual composition, producing a work whose parts tell separate episodes within a continuous account.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. have been

B. were

C. is

D. are

QUESTION 181 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-087-3

Several of Tara Vale's short plays are organized around the decisions of local leaders. Although each one of these short plays, which include The Council Room and A Narrow Vote, _____ on one central debate, some present different versions of the same disagreement.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. are centered

B. were centered

C. centers

D. center

QUESTION 182 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-173-3

The regional dance suite has a carefully organized structure. Scholar Nora Chen explains that each movement, while retaining the basic pulse and recurring gestures introduced during the opening procession and revisited at key moments, _____ distinct in its dramatic purpose, producing a work whose parts contribute individually to an overall pattern of tension and release.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. were

B. are

C. have been

D. is

QUESTION 183 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-087-4

Several of Lena Kader's documentary films are organized around the restoration of damaged landscapes. Although each one of these documentary films, which include Returning Water and The Green Edge, _____ on a single conservation project, some follow different stages of the same long-running effort.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. are centered

B. center

C. centers

D. were centered

QUESTION 184 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-173-4

The linked travel chronicle has a carefully organized structure. Scholar Dalia Hart explains that each chapter, while echoing the images of departure and arrival introduced in the first pages and repeated throughout the account, _____ self-contained in its narrative, producing a work whose parts offer different perspectives on the same extended journey.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. have been

B. were

C. is

D. are

Subjects joined by and

QUESTION 185 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-143-1

In introductory bridge engineering, support systems are classified according to the way forces travel through their structures. The cantilever design and the arch design, each capable of spanning a gap without a central column, _____ among the most frequently discussed solutions for crossings where foundations in the water would be difficult to build.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. was

B. has been

C. are

D. is

QUESTION 186 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-143-2

In the study of natural growth, branching arrangements are classified according to the placement of new segments around a central point. The spiral pattern and the radial pattern, each visible in many different plant groups, _____ among the simplest configurations used to explain how repeated local growth can produce organized structures.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. was

B. are

C. is

D. has been

QUESTION 187 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-143-3

In urban design research, street layouts are classified according to the connections they create between neighborhoods. The grid plan and the ring plan, each offering several routes between major destinations, _____ among the most recognizable arrangements found in planned settlements with clearly defined public spaces.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. has been

B. are

C. was

D. is

QUESTION 188 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-143-4

In elementary machine design, lifting systems are classified according to the manner in which they redirect applied effort. The lever mechanism and the pulley mechanism, each allowing a load to be moved with less force, _____ among the most familiar examples used to demonstrate the relationship between force and distance.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. are

B. has been

C. is

D. was

QUESTION 189 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-100-1

When planning a chamber concert, the size of the venue might seem to be the most important consideration. Yet if sound becomes distorted or listeners cannot see the performers, a larger hall may offer a worse experience than a smaller one. Ultimately, a room's acoustics and its seating arrangement, not the number of seats, _____ how suitable the space is for the performance.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. determining

B. determine

C. determines

D. has determined

QUESTION 190 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-100-2

When planning a public walking route, the length of the path might seem to be the most important consideration. Yet if rain regularly leaves sections muddy or slippery, a shorter route may be less usable than a longer one. Ultimately, a trail's surface and its drainage system, not the total distance, _____ how reliably visitors can use the route throughout the year.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. determines

B. determine

C. has determined

D. determining

QUESTION 191 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-100-3

When planning a digital archive, the number of documents might seem to be the most important consideration. Yet if users cannot locate relevant material efficiently, a smaller archive may be more useful than a larger one. Ultimately, a collection's indexing and its search tools, not the total file count, _____ how effectively researchers can work with the stored material.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. determine

B. has determined

C. determining

D. determines

QUESTION 192 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-100-4

When planning a community growing space, the area of the plot might seem to be the most important consideration. Yet if plants lack nutrients or receive moisture irregularly, a smaller plot may produce more food than a larger one. Ultimately, a garden's soil quality and its water supply, not the amount of available land, _____ how successfully crops can grow during the season.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. determines

B. determining

C. determine

D. has determined

One title, one subject

QUESTION 193 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-183-1

Designer Mara Vale's Rooms of Rain, an interactive installation that combines recorded storms with illuminated models of domestic interiors, _____ visitors to explore a sequence of imagined rooms, each responding differently to the sounds and movements of the people inside it.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. invite

B. are inviting

C. invites

D. have invited

QUESTION 194 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-183-2

Developer Nina Chen's Letters across Water, a narrative game joining fragments of historical correspondence with a fictional journey through island ports, _____ players to follow the changing routes of several messages, whose destinations become clear only as the story unfolds.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. are inviting

B. invites

C. invite

D. have invited

QUESTION 195 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-183-3

Artist Lena Hart's A Garden in Motion, a digital artwork blending botanical drawings with patterns generated by live weather measurements, _____ viewers to watch a virtual landscape change over time, as wind and temperature influence the forms appearing on the screen.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. invite

B. invites

C. have invited

D. are inviting

QUESTION 196 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-183-4

Writer Dalia Rafi's The Long Platform, an audio experience combining memories of railway travel with a map of an invented station, _____ listeners to move between overlapping accounts of departure and arrival, each attached to a different place along the platform.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. are inviting

B. have invited

C. invites

D. invite

QUESTION 197 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-164-1

Historian Leila Kader's Paths across the Inland Sea (1982), a collection of translated travel journals, _____ researchers' understanding of the commercial and cultural connections linking small ports that rarely appear in official accounts.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. has broadened

B. are broadening

C. have broadened

D. broaden

QUESTION 198 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-164-2

Musicologist Mina Hart's Songs beyond the Valley (1991), an annotated volume of traditional melodies, _____ researchers' understanding of the regional performance practices through which musicians adapted shared tunes to different local settings.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. has broadened

B. broaden

C. have broadened

D. are broadening

QUESTION 199 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-164-3

Archivist Nora Vale's Windows on the Workshop (1976), a book of interviews with skilled craftspeople, _____ researchers' understanding of the informal training systems that helped preserve complex techniques across several generations.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. has broadened

B. broaden

C. have broadened

D. are broadening

Subject after the verb

QUESTION 200 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-129-1

The expansion of public education in the valley encouraged the formation of independent reading societies, local groups that organized lectures and circulated inexpensive books. Among the societies' founders _____ Lina Mansour, the organizer of the first neighborhood lending collection.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. are

B. have been

C. was

D. were

QUESTION 201 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-129-2

The expansion of rail travel across the region encouraged the formation of travelers' associations, local groups that published route information and advocated for reliable service. Among the associations' early leaders _____ Mara Vale, the editor of a widely read railway newsletter.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. were

B. was

C. have been

D. are

QUESTION 202

/ Medium / Practice ID: GA777-129-3

The expansion of urban gardening in the district encouraged the formation of cooperative seed exchanges, local groups that shared planting materials and offered practical training. Among the exchanges' coordinators _____ Nadia Hart, the founder of the Riverside Garden Circle.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. was

B. are

C. have been

D. were

TOPIC 02 / 116 QUESTIONS

Verb Tenses

Let the time clues choose the tense.

1. Now, habits, and general facts

Simple present describes facts and routines: "She studies every day." We also usually discuss a story in the present: "The hero escapes." A future plan can contain a present description: "We will build a machine that cleans water."

2. Finished past and future

Use simple past for a completed, dated event: "She studied in 2020." Use will plus a plain verb for the future: "She will study tomorrow." Match the time of the blank, not automatically the closest verb.

3. Two important perfect tenses

Present perfect uses has or have plus a past participle: "She has studied here since 2020." Past perfect uses had: "She had studied before the quiz began." A past participle is the form used after has, have, or had, such as studied, gone, or written.

4. An action in progress

Was or were plus -ing shows an action continuing at a past moment: "She was studying when I called." First mark the time clues; then choose the verb. Do not add had just because you see two past actions: use the sequence and context.

Your task: Find the clue before choosing a letter. For each wrong answer, name the rule it breaks.

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General facts, habits, and present descriptions

QUESTION 203 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-063-1

Like other plants adapted to dry habitats, the silverleaf shrub is unable to draw much water from the surrounding soil, so during extended periods without rain, it _____ by closing small pores on its leaves, a response that reduces the amount of moisture lost to the air.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. survived

B. survives

C. would survive

D. had survived

QUESTION 204 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-005-1

Recently, urban planners have developed new ways to assess the comfort of public spaces. In the town of Willow Bay, for example, specialists use a pedestrian comfort index. This approach _____ shade, seating, and walking-distance measurements.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. had combined

B. combines

C. will have been combining

D. would have combined

QUESTION 205 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-030-1

Packages in an automated sorting facility move along a series of connected belts until they _____ the appropriate distribution gate, at which point they are directed toward the loading area assigned to their destination.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. had reached

B. are reaching

C. will reach

D. reach

QUESTION 206 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-031-1

Led by ecologist Lina Vale, the Marsh Watchers are a group of volunteer naturalists who travel along the coast to record the birds that gather where freshwater streams meet sheltered tidal inlets. When the spring migration approaches, the team checks its field equipment and _____ ready.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. got

B. gets

C. had gotten

D. was getting

QUESTION 207 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-203-1

A lightweight porous ceramic is effective at allowing air to pass while retaining small suspended particles. For this reason, researchers are exploring ways to use it in compact indoor filtration units. It might eventually become part of systems that _____ fine dust from the air in crowded public rooms.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. have removed

B. removed

C. remove

D. are removing

QUESTION 208 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-019-1

Each evening, a section of the old station glows with a shifting pattern of color. The source of the effect is a display made from hundreds of translucent panels. A lamp behind the display _____ the overlapping surfaces.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. illuminates

B. would illuminate

C. illuminated

D. will be illuminating

QUESTION 209 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-179-1

In her 1986 exhibition Rooms of Sound, artist Lina Vale demonstrated how ordinary objects could be arranged to create an environment shaped primarily by changing echoes. Today, artist Lina Vale _____ regarded as an early pioneer of the region's experimental sound-installation movement.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. had been

B. was

C. will be

D. is

QUESTION 210 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-115-1

Memory and the senses are central to Leila Hart's fiction. In The Orchard Room, for example, the character of Mara recalls her childhood through the smell of stored apples, while in A Sound beyond the Door, the character of Lina _____ particular voices with colors she remembers from an abandoned family home.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. had associated

B. will be associating

C. associates

D. associated

QUESTION 211 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-154-1

Each year in spring, when the mountain snow begins to melt, groups of field botanists leave the lowland research station. Seeking plants that flower only briefly, they _____ hundreds of kilometers through the newly accessible valleys during this annual survey.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. were traveling

B. travel

C. had traveled

D. traveled

QUESTION 212 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-016-1

The regional seed library is a cooperative collection maintained by local gardeners. Currently, its network _____ four towns in the eastern valley and several surrounding villages.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. covered

B. covers

C. will have covered

D. had covered

QUESTION 213 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-063-2

Like other cold-sensitive insects, the orchard moth is unable to maintain activity when temperatures fall sharply, so during the coldest part of winter, it _____ by entering a dormant state beneath loose bark, a sheltered position that limits its exposure to sudden changes in weather.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. would survive

B. had survived

C. survives

D. survived

QUESTION 214 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-005-2

Recently, museum researchers have developed new ways to evaluate how visitors use exhibitions. In the Harbor History Museum, for example, specialists use a visitor engagement scale. This approach _____ time spent at displays, return visits, and responses to short interviews.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. would have combined

B. had combined

C. combines

D. will have been combining

QUESTION 215 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-030-2

Water droplets in a laboratory cooling chamber move through increasingly cold layers of air until they _____ a temperature at which freezing begins, at which point they are collected on a prepared surface for examination.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. had reached

B. reach

C. will reach

D. are reaching

QUESTION 216 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-031-2

Led by historian Mina Rafi, the Archive Travelers are a team of researchers who visit small towns to photograph documents preserved in private homes and collections that lack professional cataloging staff. When a new collection becomes available, the team packs its portable scanners and _____ ready.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. got

B. had gotten

C. was getting

D. gets

QUESTION 217 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-203-2

A flexible woven mesh is capable of capturing tiny droplets from moving fog. For this reason, researchers are exploring ways to use it in water collectors for dry coastal communities. It might eventually become part of systems that _____ moisture from the air without using conventional pumps.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. have removed

B. are removing

C. remove

D. removed

QUESTION 218 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-019-2

Each night, the entrance to the community theater shines with a soft amber light. The source of the glow is a sculpture assembled from recycled glass jars. A light inside the sculpture _____ the rows of curved glass.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. illuminates

B. illuminated

C. would illuminate

D. will be illuminating

QUESTION 219 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-179-2

In her 1974 project Reading the Street, designer Mina Rafi demonstrated how simple public signs could communicate information to people using several different languages. Today, designer Mina Rafi _____ regarded as an influential figure in the development of accessible neighborhood wayfinding.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. will be

B. had been

C. was

D. is

QUESTION 220 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-115-2

Travel and language are central to Mina Vale's fiction. In The Narrow Road, for example, the young narrator learns unfamiliar expressions by listening to fellow passengers, while in The Last Landing, the character of Nora _____ certain words with the places where she first heard them spoken.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. had associated

B. will be associating

C. associated

D. associates

QUESTION 221 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-154-2

Each year in late summer, when the coastal winds become more predictable, teams of volunteer sailors depart from the central harbor. Seeking sheltered nesting sites to monitor, they _____ along a chain of offshore islands stretching toward the northern cape during this annual expedition.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. traveled

B. had traveled

C. were traveling

D. travel

QUESTION 222 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-016-2

The coastal bird survey is a monitoring program coordinated by volunteer naturalists. Currently, its study area _____ the sheltered bays north of the estuary and the nearby tidal flats.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. will have covered

B. covers

C. covered

D. had covered

QUESTION 223 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-063-3

Like other organisms living in temporary pools, the marsh crustacean is unable to remain active after its habitat dries out, so during the seasonal loss of surface water, it _____ by producing resistant eggs, protective structures that can remain inactive until suitable conditions return.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. survived

B. would survive

C. survives

D. had survived

QUESTION 224 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-005-3

Recently, agricultural scientists have developed new ways to compare the resilience of small farms. In the northern valley, for example, specialists use a seasonal stability index. This approach _____ soil condition, crop diversity, and access to stored water.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. combines

B. had combined

C. would have combined

D. will have been combining

QUESTION 225 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-030-3

Passengers in the museum's guided entry system move through a sequence of small exhibition rooms until they _____ the central gallery, at which point they are invited to choose a route through the remaining displays.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. had reached

B. will reach

C. reach

D. are reaching

QUESTION 226 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-031-3

Led by astronomer Nora Chen, the Night Sky Circle is an association of observers who journey to remote locations to measure faint objects that are difficult to detect near the lights of major cities. When a clear observing period is forecast, the team loads its telescopes and _____ ready.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. had gotten

B. gets

C. got

D. was getting

QUESTION 227 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-203-3

A thin plant-based membrane is effective at separating certain dissolved substances from water. For this reason, researchers are exploring ways to use it in small treatment devices for remote field stations. It might eventually become part of systems that _____ unwanted compounds from locally collected water.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. have removed

B. removed

C. are removing

D. remove

QUESTION 228 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-019-3

Each morning, a narrow corridor in the museum fills with bands of reflected light. The source of the pattern is a rotating arrangement of small polished mirrors. A beam entering through the roof _____ the carefully angled surfaces.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. will be illuminating

B. would illuminate

C. illuminated

D. illuminates

QUESTION 229 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-179-3

In her 1992 study Gardens after Rain, researcher Nora Chen demonstrated how small planted areas could redirect runoff from crowded streets into shared green spaces. Today, researcher Nora Chen _____ regarded as a leading contributor to the district's approach to community-scale water management.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. is

B. will be

C. was

D. had been

QUESTION 230 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-115-3

Work and personal identity are central to Dalia Rafi's fiction. In The Clockmaker's Table, for example, the character of Elias understands his family through the tools they have used, while in The Unfinished House, the character of Sami _____ different building materials with important stages of his life.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. associated

B. will be associating

C. had associated

D. associates

QUESTION 231 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-154-3

Each year in autumn, when the main harvest is complete, members of the regional seed network set out from their local collections. Seeking crop varieties maintained in remote communities, they _____ from the eastern foothills to the far side of the broad river plain during this annual collecting journey.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. had traveled

B. were traveling

C. travel

D. traveled

QUESTION 232 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-016-3

The mobile history exhibition is a traveling display of objects from community archives. Currently, its route _____ the central district and a group of rural schools beyond the railway.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. will have covered

B. had covered

C. covers

D. covered

QUESTION 233 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-063-4

Like other animals confined to isolated caves, the pale cave beetle is unable to rely on a steady supply of fresh food, so during long intervals between feeding opportunities, it _____ by slowing its metabolism, an adjustment that reduces the energy needed to maintain essential functions.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. survives

B. survived

C. had survived

D. would survive

QUESTION 234 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-005-4

Recently, library researchers have developed new ways to measure the accessibility of local collections. In the Eastmere district, for example, specialists use a community access score. This approach _____ opening hours, transport connections, and availability of multilingual materials.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. will have been combining

B. had combined

C. combines

D. would have combined

QUESTION 235 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-030-4

Metal parts in a continuous finishing machine move past several progressively finer polishing wheels until they _____ the required surface quality, at which point they are removed from the belt and inspected under a bright light.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. reach

B. are reaching

C. had reached

D. will reach

QUESTION 236 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-203-4

A textured mineral coating is able to hold a range of airborne contaminants on its surface. For this reason, researchers are exploring ways to use it in replaceable panels for industrial ventilation equipment. It might eventually become part of systems that _____ pollutants before air is released outside a building.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. removed

B. remove

C. are removing

D. have removed

QUESTION 237 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-019-4

Each afternoon, the reading room shows a bright patchwork of colors across its floor. The source of the effect is a window built from pieces of patterned glass. A ray of sunlight through the window _____ the colored sections.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. illuminated

B. would illuminate

C. will be illuminating

D. illuminates

QUESTION 238 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-179-4

In her 1968 collection Voices at Work, historian Dalia Hart demonstrated how recorded interviews could reveal aspects of industrial life absent from official company records. Today, historian Dalia Hart _____ regarded as an important early advocate of worker-centered oral history.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. was

B. will be

C. is

D. had been

QUESTION 239 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-115-4

Food and belonging are central to Nora Chen's fiction. In The Northern Kitchen, for example, the exiled character of Tara maintains links to home through recipes she prepares, while in The Shared Table, the character of Mara _____ the taste of particular herbs with stories told by older relatives.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. will be associating

B. associated

C. associates

D. had associated

QUESTION 240 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-154-4

Each year in winter, when the tourist season quiets down, small groups of architectural researchers begin work outside the city. Seeking historic buildings that are difficult to study during busier months, they _____ between scattered towns along the old trade road during this annual inspection program.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. travel

B. were traveling

C. had traveled

D. traveled

QUESTION 241 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-016-4

The neighborhood bicycle service is a shared transport program introduced by the city council. Currently, its service zone _____ the university quarter and the residential streets around the main park.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. had covered

B. covers

C. will have covered

D. covered

QUESTION 242 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-174-1

A community seed exchange is a network in which gardeners share locally saved planting material. This arrangement differs from a conventional seed retailer, in which customers purchase stock from a single supplier. Because members contribute varieties adapted to their own gardens, the participants _____ directly from the combined experience of other growers.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. had benefited

B. were benefiting

C. benefited

D. benefit

QUESTION 243 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-083-1

Bridges appear in many works of fiction. For example, in Mina Vale's 1996 novel The Other Bank, there is a footbridge that _____ two neighborhoods and appears at several turning points in the story. Within the work, the bridge represents the possibility of contact between people who have become divided.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. connects

B. connected

C. had connected

D. will have connected

QUESTION 244 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-174-2

A cooperative workshop is a workspace jointly maintained by the people who use its tools. This arrangement differs from a privately operated rental facility, in which one owner makes the principal decisions about equipment. Because the users decide together how to spend the workshop's income, the members _____ directly from improvements they have helped select.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. benefited

B. had benefited

C. were benefiting

D. benefit

QUESTION 245 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-083-2

Maps appear in many adventure stories. For example, in Lena Hart's 2004 play A Line through the Mountains, there is a hand-drawn map that _____ several remembered places and changes as different characters add details to it. Within the work, the map links private memories with the shared history of the journey.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. connects

B. connected

C. will have connected

D. had connected

QUESTION 246 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-174-3

A neighborhood archive is a collection built through contributions from local residents. This arrangement differs from a private historical collection, in which one individual controls access to most of the material. Because documents are available to everyone who takes part, the contributors _____ directly from the knowledge supplied by other families.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. had benefited

B. benefited

C. benefit

D. were benefiting

QUESTION 247 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-083-3

Songs appear in many historical novels. For example, in Nora Rafi's 1988 book The Returning Voice, there is a traditional melody that _____ three generations of one family and appears in scenes separated by many decades. Within the work, the melody represents a relationship that continues despite changes in language and location.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. will have connected

B. had connected

C. connected

D. connects

QUESTION 248 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-174-4

A shared rehearsal center is a building managed by several independent performance groups. This arrangement differs from a commercial studio, in which a separate business rents rooms to individual clients. Because the groups divide maintenance costs and coordinate the schedule, the performers _____ directly from their continuing cooperation.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. benefited

B. benefit

C. were benefiting

D. had benefited

QUESTION 249 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-083-4

Gardens appear in many dramatic works. For example, in Dalia Chen's 2012 play The Enclosed Season, there is a courtyard garden that _____ the rooms of an old house and appears in both the opening and closing scenes. Within the work, the garden suggests the continuity beneath the household's changing circumstances.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. connects

B. had connected

C. connected

D. will have connected

Completed past events

QUESTION 250 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-114-1

On May 18, 2006, after twenty years as a professional distance runner, Lina Vale retired. The athlete _____ her competitive career with twelve national titles, four regional records, and appearances in three international finals.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. will be ending

B. has been ending

C. end

D. ended

QUESTION 251 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-170-1

The Great River Flood was a prolonged period of unusually high water across the lower valley during the 1940s. At that time, rising water _____ hundreds of homes and many kilometers of farmland. The flood even reached settlements well beyond the usual riverbanks.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. are damaging

B. will damage

C. damaged

D. will have damaged

QUESTION 252 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-099-1

With families arriving from coastal villages, inland farms, and neighboring provinces, Eastmere has long been a meeting place for people from different backgrounds. Even in the 1870s, nearly a quarter of its population _____ born outside the region.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. is

B. was

C. will be

D. is being

QUESTION 253 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-023-1

In 1984, conservationist Leila Vale accompanied Mayor Nora Hart on a three-day tour of the threatened riverbank habitats. After returning from the visit, Mayor Nora Hart _____ to protect the remaining wetlands, a commitment she maintained throughout her next two terms in office.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. will promise

B. promised

C. promises

D. is promising

QUESTION 254 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-201-1

The Eastmere Assembly Hall is a reconstruction of the building where the town's earliest public meetings were held. In 1887, an oil lamp _____ during a crowded evening lecture and set fire to a curtain beside the speaker's platform. Everyone escaped, but the original interior was destroyed before the fire could be controlled.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. has overturned

B. overturned

C. will overturn

D. overturns

QUESTION 255 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-187-1

From 1971 to 1988, Lina Vale managed the Harbor Community Archive. While it was under her leadership, the archive _____ one of the region's most active centers for collecting and preserving family documents.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. is becoming

B. to become

C. will become

D. became

QUESTION 256 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-158-1

By the time curator Lina Hart _____ responsibility for the regional archive, the collection of family photographs, first assembled from a handful of private donations in 1968, had expanded to fill several storage rooms, and so had the need for trained staff to identify and catalog the growing number of images.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. will assume

B. assumed

C. assumes

D. is assuming

QUESTION 257 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-136-1

The Northern Survey Office was a major center for regional mapmaking between the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. It _____ directed by Lina Rafi from 1896 to 1914.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. has been
B. will be
C. was
D. is

QUESTION 258 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-114-2

On October 7, 1998, after thirty years as a touring concert pianist, Mina Rafi retired. The musician _____ her performing career after presenting more than a thousand recitals in cities across several continents.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. ended
B. end
C. will be ending
D. has been ending

QUESTION 259 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-170-2

The Northern Ice Storm was an extended episode of freezing rain across the upland districts during the 1950s. At that time, heavy ice _____ thousands of trees and numerous overhead power lines. Several communities remained difficult to reach for more than a week.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. will have damaged
B. are damaging
C. damaged
D. will damage

QUESTION 260 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-099-2

With businesses established by craftspeople, traders, and former railway workers, Glenhaven has long been a town with a varied local economy. Even in the 1890s, nearly one third of its commercial activity _____ connected to work other than farming.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. was

B. will be

C. is

D. is being

QUESTION 261 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-023-2

In 1972, archivist Mina Rafi accompanied Councilor Tara Chen on an inspection of the crowded rooms holding the town's oldest records. After returning from the visit, Councilor Tara Chen _____ to establish a permanent public archive, a commitment she later fulfilled by converting an unused school building.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. promised

B. promises

C. is promising

D. will promise

QUESTION 262 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-201-2

The Harbor Reading Room is a restored version of a nineteenth-century lending library. In 1894, a stove _____ during a winter gathering and ignited a stack of papers stored near the wall. No visitor was injured, but the library lost much of its original furniture.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. has overturned

B. overturned

C. overturns

D. will overturn

QUESTION 263 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-187-2

From 1983 to 2002, Mina Rafi directed the Northern Design Workshop. While it was under her leadership, the workshop _____ an influential training center for craftspeople working with inexpensive local materials.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. became
B. to become
C. will become
D. is becoming

QUESTION 264 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-158-2

By the time engineer Mina Vale _____ leadership of the coastal planning office, the network of pedestrian bridges, first proposed as a small pilot project in 1981, had spread across most of the central district, and so had the demand for regular inspections of the structures connecting its busiest neighborhoods.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. assumed
B. assumes
C. is assuming
D. will assume

QUESTION 265 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-136-2

The Harbor School of Design was an influential training institution for local craft workers between the 1920s and 1950s. It _____ directed by Mina Vale from 1931 to 1948.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. will be
B. was
C. has been
D. is

QUESTION 266 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-114-3

On June 12, 2011, after twenty-five years as a municipal architect, Nora Chen retired. The designer _____ her public-service career with a portfolio of schools, libraries, and community centers throughout the district.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. end

B. ended

C. will be ending

D. has been ending

QUESTION 267 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-170-3

The Coastal Gale Season was a succession of powerful storms along the western shoreline during the 1930s. At that time, strong winds _____ many fishing boats and a large number of harbor buildings. The effects were reported far inland from the most exposed bays.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. will have damaged

B. are damaging

C. will damage

D. damaged

QUESTION 268 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-099-3

With collections donated by teachers, merchants, and retired public officials, the Harbor Archive has long been a repository of many kinds of historical evidence. Even in the 1930s, nearly half of its material _____ drawn from private rather than government sources.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. is being

B. is

C. was

D. will be

QUESTION 269 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-023-3

In 1991, educator Dalia Marsh accompanied Director Lena Saye on a weeklong visit to schools in isolated mountain villages. After returning from the visit, Director Lena Saye _____ to expand access to traveling library services, a commitment she upheld during the following six years.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. promises

B. promised

C. will promise

D. is promising

QUESTION 270 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-201-3

The Northern Exhibition Pavilion is a replacement for the timber structure used for the first regional craft fairs. In 1906, a temporary heater _____ during a public demonstration and set a nearby display alight. The audience left safely, but the lightweight roof soon collapsed.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. will overturn

B. has overturned

C. overturns

D. overturned

QUESTION 271 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-187-3

From 1964 to 1980, Nora Chen operated the Willow Traveling Library. While it was under her leadership, the library _____ a vital source of books for schools located beyond the main transport network.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. became

B. to become

C. is becoming

D. will become

QUESTION 272 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-158-3

By the time botanist Nora Rafi _____ control of the community seed program, the number of participating gardens, first recorded in a single village survey in 1993, had increased throughout the surrounding valley, and so had the need for a coordinated system to track exchanges among the different growers.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. assumed

B. assumes

C. will assume

D. is assuming

QUESTION 273 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-136-3

The Valley Historical Society was one of the principal collectors of community records between the 1960s and 1990s. It _____ directed by Nora Hart from 1972 to 1987.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. has been

B. is

C. will be

D. was

QUESTION 274 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-170-4

The Valley Landslide Crisis was a period of repeated slope failures after exceptional rainfall during the 1960s. At that time, moving earth _____ roads connecting dozens of isolated villages. Some routes remained closed until extensive repairs could be completed.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. will damage

B. damaged

C. will have damaged

D. are damaging

QUESTION 275 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-099-4

With support from residents, traveling performers, and local schools, the Willow Theater has long been a center for several kinds of public activity. Even in the 1950s, nearly forty percent of its annual program _____ devoted to community events rather than professional productions.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. is being

B. is

C. will be

D. was

QUESTION 276 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-023-4

In 1968, engineer Nadia Reed accompanied Commissioner Mara Naim on a survey of the damaged footbridges linking several rural communities. After returning from the visit, Commissioner Mara Naim _____ to finance a coordinated repair program, a commitment she honored before the end of the next budget cycle.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. promised

B. will promise

C. promises

D. is promising

QUESTION 277 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-201-4

The Willow Theater is a modern recreation of the hall that hosted the district's earliest touring companies. In 1879, a stage lantern _____ during a performance and ignited the fabric used for part of the scenery. The performers and spectators escaped, but the building could not be saved.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. overturns

B. has overturned

C. overturned

D. will overturn

QUESTION 278 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-158-4

By the time historian Dalia Chen _____ direction of the oral-history project, the archive of recorded interviews, first established by local volunteers in 1975, had grown to include speakers from dozens of communities, and so had the need for equipment capable of preserving the aging recordings in a more durable format.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. assumes

B. assumed

C. will assume

D. is assuming

QUESTION 279 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-205-1

After winning the council election in 1892, Mayor Lina Vale appointed three former political opponents to key municipal committees. The choice surprised observers because each appointee had criticized her earlier plans, but historians later praised it, noting that Mayor Lina Vale _____ their differing experience to improve the management of the rapidly growing town.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. used

B. is using

C. will use

D. has used

QUESTION 280 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-069-1

In the 1970s, workshop owner Tomas Vale was trying to find a use for leftover pieces of smooth hardwood when designer Lina Rafi recommended turning the scraps into small construction blocks for children. In addition, during that same conversation, designer Lina Rafi _____ packaging the blocks with illustrated plans for simple buildings.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. suggested

B. suggests

C. is suggesting

D. will have suggested

QUESTION 281 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-205-2

After becoming director of the institute in 1918, Mina Rafi appointed several researchers from rival laboratories to positions in the new research division. The choice surprised observers because the laboratories had previously competed for the same limited funds, but historians later praised it, noting that Mina Rafi _____ their complementary skills to build a more ambitious scientific program.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. is using

B. has used

C. will use

D. used

QUESTION 282 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-069-2

In the 1980s, publisher Omar Chen was trying to keep a struggling local newsletter in print when teacher Mina Hart recommended adding short accounts of neighborhood history to attract new readers. In addition, during that same conversation, teacher Mina Hart _____ inviting residents to submit photographs from their family albums.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. suggested

B. will have suggested

C. suggests

D. is suggesting

QUESTION 283 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-205-3

After taking charge of the theater in 1936, Nora Chen appointed two outspoken critics of her productions to the artistic advisory board. The choice surprised observers because both critics had publicly challenged her approach to staging, but historians later praised it, noting that Nora Chen _____ their contrasting perspectives to broaden the theater's repertoire.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. has used

B. used

C. is using

D. will use

QUESTION 284 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-069-3

In the 1960s, shopkeeper Elias Reed was trying to sell surplus rolls of durable fabric when craftsperson Nora Saye recommended offering the material to schools for practical sewing lessons. In addition, during that same conversation, craftsperson Nora Saye _____ preparing inexpensive kits that included matching thread and instructions.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. suggested

B. will have suggested

C. is suggesting

D. suggests

QUESTION 285 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-205-4

After assuming leadership of the museum in 1954, Dalia Hart appointed specialists who had opposed the original expansion plan to the redesign committee. The choice surprised observers because the specialists had argued against several of her preferred proposals, but historians later praised it, noting that Dalia Hart _____ their practical knowledge to resolve problems the earlier plan had overlooked.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. is using

B. will use

C. has used

D. used

QUESTION 286 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-069-4

In the 1990s, engineer Sami Naim was trying to adapt a discontinued measuring device for a new market when researcher Dalia Marsh recommended simplifying the controls for use in introductory science classes. In addition, during that same conversation, researcher Dalia Marsh _____ supplying the instrument with a set of classroom experiments.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. suggested

B. will have suggested

C. is suggesting

D. suggests

Past action in progress

QUESTION 287 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-011-1

Researcher Lina Rafi _____ photographs of the harbor collected during a long-term coastal survey when she noticed an unexpected pattern: the narrow channels between the sandbars changed direction after each major storm.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. was examining

B. will examine

C. examines

D. has been examining

QUESTION 288 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-011-2

Archivist Mina Vale _____ letters preserved in a recently donated family collection during a project comparing materials from several neighboring collections when she noticed a surprising connection: several documents written in different decades referred to the same unidentified traveler.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. has been examining

B. will examine

C. examines

D. was examining

QUESTION 289 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-011-3

Botanist Nora Chen _____ root samples gathered from the dry edge of a restored wetland when she noticed an unusual feature: fine mineral deposits formed around the roots only in the most exposed areas.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. was examining

B. has been examining

C. will examine

D. examines

Present perfect: past connected to now

QUESTION 290 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-062-1

In 2018, Eastmere recorded 412 millimeters of annual rainfall, while Glenhaven recorded 687 millimeters. This is the kind of regional weather information that the Valley Climate Office _____ since 1956.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. gathers

B. has gathered

C. is gathering

D. will gather

QUESTION 291 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-093-1

The Community Archive Network is working to identify the locations shown in uncataloged historical photographs, and it is asking local residents for help. Lina Vale and Omar Rafi are two of the many volunteers who _____ since the project began in 2011.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. have participated

B. participate

C. will participate

D. will be participating

QUESTION 292 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-062-2

In 2020, the Harbor Library recorded 38,600 visits, while the Hilltop Library recorded 24,900 visits. This is the kind of public-service data that the Regional Library Council _____ since 1974.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. has gathered

B. is gathering

C. gathers

D. will gather

QUESTION 293 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-093-2

The Coastal Habitat Office is working to map small patches of marshland along the regional shoreline, and it is asking amateur naturalists for help. Mina Chen and Tomas Hart are two of the many contributors who _____ since the project began in 2014.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. will be participating

B. will participate

C. have participated

D. participate

QUESTION 294 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-062-3

In 2017, the northern survey station recorded 1,280 migrating birds, while the southern station recorded 2,460 migrating birds. This is the kind of seasonal wildlife information that the Coastal Monitoring Network _____ since 1968.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. is gathering

B. has gathered

C. will gather

D. gathers

QUESTION 295 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-093-3

The Public Art Register is working to document murals and sculptures displayed outside formal museum collections, and it is asking neighborhood groups for help. Nora Reed and Elias Saye are two of the many researchers who _____ since the project began in 2008.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. will participate

B. will be participating

C. have participated

D. participate

QUESTION 296 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-093-4

The Valley Seed Library is working to record the histories of locally maintained crop varieties, and it is asking experienced gardeners for help. Dalia Marsh and Sami Naim are two of the many community members who _____ since the project began in 2016.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. will be participating

B. participate

C. will participate

D. have participated

Past perfect: an earlier past

QUESTION 297 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-146-1

A graduate of the regional engineering school, Lina Vale _____ a long apprenticeship in bridge inspection and worked on several major repairs before joining the city's planning office in 1982. When Lina Vale later became the office's first specialist in pedestrian routes, that earlier experience proved essential to her approach to public design.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. already completes

B. will already have completed

C. is already completing

D. had already completed

QUESTION 298 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-150-1

If traders _____ the inland settlement by boat and found a navigable route through the marshes—a possibility historian Leila Hart outlined in a recent study—the travelers could have exchanged goods with communities already living along the river before the main road was constructed.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. will reach

B. reach

C. are reaching

D. had reached

QUESTION 299 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-193-1

In 1981, engineer Lina Vale redesigned a compact water-testing instrument. The new design improved the range of measurements that the original device, which researcher Omar Hart _____ twelve years earlier, could record accurately under changing field conditions.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. had developed

B. develops

C. is developing

D. will develop

QUESTION 300 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-034-1

After opening her first small workshop in 1998, ceramic artist Leila Reed quickly attracted attention for her unusual glazing techniques. By 2022, she _____ one of the region's most widely exhibited craft artists, having completed twelve public commissions and received several major design awards.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. will have become

B. will become

C. had become

D. becomes

QUESTION 301 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-029-1

Founded in 1974 to coordinate the preservation of local historical records, the Regional Archive Network initially included six institutions: two city libraries, three museum collections, and a university archive. By the end of the 1990s, the organization _____ its original membership.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. has expanded

B. expands

C. will expand

D. had expanded

QUESTION 302 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-146-2

A former community volunteer, Mina Rafi _____ extensive training in oral-history recording and organized two local interview projects before entering the national archive in 1994. When Mina Rafi later took charge of its regional collections, that earlier experience helped her build lasting relationships with donors.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. already completes

B. will already have completed

C. had already completed

D. is already completing

QUESTION 303 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-150-2

If seeds _____ the isolated island on floating vegetation and remained viable during the crossing—a possibility botanist Mina Vale outlined in a recent study—the plants could have established themselves in sheltered soil before later arrivals changed the island's vegetation.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. reach

B. are reaching

C. had reached

D. will reach

QUESTION 304 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-193-2

In 1976, designer Mina Rafi redesigned a portable printing press. The new design improved the number of pages that the original machine, which inventor Tomas Chen _____ nine years earlier, could produce without requiring adjustments to its frame.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. will develop

B. is developing

C. develops

D. had developed

QUESTION 305 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-034-2

After publishing her first collection of essays in 2001, writer Mina Vale quickly gained a reputation for combining personal stories with historical research. By 2023, she _____ a leading voice in regional nonfiction, having released eight books and edited a widely read series of community histories.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. becomes

B. will have become

C. had become

D. will become

QUESTION 306 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-029-2

Founded in 1982 to support research on shared coastal habitats, the Northern Estuary Alliance initially included five groups: two laboratories, a bird observatory, and two conservation societies. By the end of the 2000s, the organization _____ its original membership.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. has expanded

B. expands

C. will expand

D. had expanded

QUESTION 307 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-146-3

A student of traditional instrument making, Nora Chen _____ several years in a master craftsperson's workshop and restored a number of historical instruments before opening an independent studio in 2001. When Nora Chen later began teaching younger makers, that earlier experience shaped the practical structure of her lessons.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. will already have completed

B. had already completed

C. is already completing

D. already completes

QUESTION 308 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-150-3

If musicians _____ the northern court through the mountain passes and brought their instruments with them—a possibility musicologist Nora Rafi outlined in a recent study—the performers could have introduced melodic patterns that local players subsequently adapted to their own traditions.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. reach

B. will reach

C. are reaching

D. had reached

QUESTION 309 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-193-3

In 1994, technician Nora Reed redesigned an adjustable camera mount. The new design improved the variety of positions that the original support, which photographer Elias Saye _____ fifteen years earlier, could hold steadily during a long exposure.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. had developed

B. is developing

C. will develop

D. develops

QUESTION 310 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-034-3

After presenting her first independent exhibition in 1995, photographer Nora Hart quickly earned recognition for documenting everyday life in remote settlements. By 2021, she _____ an influential figure in documentary photography, having produced ten major collections and trained numerous younger photographers.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. will have become

B. becomes

C. had become

D. will become

QUESTION 311 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-029-3

Founded in 1961 to improve access to performances outside major cities, the Rural Theater Exchange initially included four companies: one touring ensemble and three community theater groups. By the end of the 1980s, the organization _____ its original membership.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. will expand

B. expands

C. has expanded

D. had expanded

QUESTION 312 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-146-4

A trained field botanist, Dalia Hart _____ a survey of remote mountain meadows and cataloged hundreds of seed samples before becoming a museum researcher in 1976. When Dalia Hart later established a new plant collection, that earlier experience informed her decisions about preservation and labeling.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. already completes

B. will already have completed

C. is already completing

D. had already completed

QUESTION 313 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-193-4

In 1968, craftsperson Dalia Marsh redesigned a folding drawing table. The new design improved the range of working angles that the original table, which designer Sami Naim _____ eleven years earlier, could accommodate within a small studio.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. develops

B. will develop

C. is developing

D. had developed

QUESTION 314 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-034-4

After completing her first civic building in 2003, architect Dalia Rafi quickly became known for making inventive use of inexpensive local materials. By 2024, she _____ an established specialist in community-centered design, having finished projects in fourteen towns and received several national honors.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. had become
B. will have become
C. will become
D. becomes

Future time

QUESTION 315 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-044-1

Capillary action is the movement of liquid through narrow spaces without the help of an external pump. You _____ more about the forces behind this movement, which are important in both plants and porous materials, in a later chapter.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. had learned
B. have learned
C. had been learning
D. will learn

QUESTION 316 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-044-2

Negative space is the area surrounding and separating the main forms in a visual composition. You _____ more about the role of this space, which can be as important as the objects themselves, in a later section.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. will learn
B. had learned
C. had been learning
D. have learned

QUESTION 317 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-044-3

A palimpsest is a manuscript surface on which an earlier text has been removed and replaced by another. You _____ more about the methods used to recover the hidden writing, which may survive beneath the newer marks, in a later chapter.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. have learned

B. had been learning

C. will learn

D. had learned

QUESTION 318 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-044-4

Resonance is the strong response that occurs when a system is driven near one of its natural frequencies. You _____ more about the behavior of resonant systems, which appears in both musical instruments and engineered structures, in a later section.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. have learned

B. will learn

C. had learned

D. had been learning

TOPIC 03 / 86 QUESTIONS

Complete Verbs & Parallel Actions

Make sure every statement has its verb.

1. Find the sentence skeleton

A complete statement needs a subject and a complete verb: "The scientists studied the rocks." Long descriptions can hide a missing verb. Cross out those descriptions to see what remains.

2. Spot forms that cannot stand alone

Studying, to study, and having studied do not supply a complete main verb on their own. "The scientists studying the rocks" is unfinished. "The scientists are studying the rocks" is complete because are supplies the helper.

3. Check clauses inside sentences

A clause is a group of words built around a subject and a verb. In "She explains that the machine works," explains belongs to she; works belongs to the machine. A verb in one clause does not fill the job in another.

4. Match joined actions

When and joins two actions done by the same person, keep their forms balanced: "She opened the book and read a page." Use complete verbs for two complete actions, not "opened...and reading."

Your task: Find the clue before choosing a letter. For each wrong answer, name the rule it breaks.

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A missing main verb

QUESTION 319 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-028-1

Under the museum's older cataloging system, the small carved panel is part of a larger architectural fragment. In the revised inventory, however, the small carved panel _____ treated as an independent decorative object.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. to be

B. being

C. having been

D. is

QUESTION 320 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-102-1

In the early community archive project, volunteers recorded previously unwritten accounts. Across the region, more than two hundred people _____ as local history collectors, producing nearly half of the recordings added to the archive.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. to serve

B. serving

C. having served

D. served

QUESTION 321 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-137-1

The Harbor Register, completed in 1876, is the earliest surviving survey of the town's commercial waterfront. The volume _____ locations that might otherwise have been forgotten, including small repair yards and temporary storage buildings.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. to record

B. records

C. recording

D. to be recording

QUESTION 322 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-048-1

In 1974, engineer Lina Vale developed a compact pressure sensor, which was used in equipment ranging from laboratory pumps to field-testing kits. Several years later, engineer Lina Vale _____ the technology to build a portable instrument for monitoring water flow in remote streams.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. adapted

B. adapting

C. to have adapted

D. to adapt

QUESTION 323 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-104-1

Several magazines _____ the multilingual reading community of Eastmere, including Harbor Pages and The Valley Review.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. having served

B. to serve

C. serving

D. serve

QUESTION 324 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-054-1

For decades after the expedition ended, the surveyors who had worked in the restricted northern territory _____ their field notebooks in private collections.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. having preserved

B. preserving

C. preserved

D. to preserve

QUESTION 325 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-169-1

In 1988, many years after the closure of the workshop where the device was first developed, the Regional Engineering Council _____ the achievements of craftsperson Lina Hart, naming its annual practical-design award in her honor.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. would formally recognize

B. having formally recognized

C. formally recognizing

D. to formally recognize

QUESTION 326 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-192-1

For many generations, people in the northern river valley _____ a tough, flexible marsh plant to make baskets, roof coverings, and simple floor mats. Curiously, no closely related plant grows in the driest parts of the valley; either bundles of stems or prepared strips must have been carried there from wetter communities farther downstream.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. have used

B. to use

C. having used

D. using

QUESTION 327 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-190-1

Why do some historic wooden buildings, such as the Old Harbor Hall, remain stable after centuries of use, when newer structures may need major repairs much sooner? Specialists _____ that their durability partly reflects the careful orientation of the timber, which helps limit the effects of seasonal changes in moisture.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. to explain

B. explain

C. having explained

D. explaining

QUESTION 328 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-096-1

How did a small island community maintain contact with distant settlements across a difficult stretch of sea? Researcher Lina Rafi believes the answer may be found in the shapes and distribution of its pottery. In 2021, Lina Rafi and her colleagues _____ a study comparing mineral traces in vessels recovered from several widely separated coastal sites.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. to publish

B. published

C. having published

D. publishing

QUESTION 329 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-188-1

Researchers distinguish more than forty types of traditional storage basket. One type, the double-rimmed basket, _____ both a tightly woven form used for holding small dry seeds and a more open form used for carrying freshly gathered vegetables.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. includes

B. including

C. to include

D. having included

QUESTION 330 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-024-1

To avoid damage during periods of extreme dryness, seeds of the silverleaf plant _____ a protective outer coating. In this state, growth remains suspended until moisture enters through a small opening in the seed's surface.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. to retain

B. retain

C. having retained

D. retaining

QUESTION 331 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-025-1

In the early years of a regional railway boom, shares in newly announced lines rose sharply even before construction began. Some researchers _____ that the episode illustrates speculative enthusiasm, which occurs when expectations of future value become detached from evidence about likely returns.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. to argue

B. argue

C. arguing

D. having argued

QUESTION 332 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-122-1

Although many seedlings grow rapidly under bright light, some woodland plants establish themselves most successfully beneath a partial canopy. A recent investigation _____ why: the shade reduces water loss, allowing the young plants to direct more resources toward developing their roots.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. to explain

B. having explained

C. explaining

D. explains

QUESTION 333 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-028-2

Under the workshop's original classification, the flexible hand press is a specialized binding tool. In the new training manual, however, the flexible hand press _____ treated as a general-purpose aid for working with paper.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. having been

B. to be

C. is

D. being

QUESTION 334 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-102-2

As rural library services expanded, assistants carried books to remote communities. Across the region, more than one hundred people _____ as mobile-library workers, reaching villages that had previously relied on occasional private donations.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. having served

B. served

C. serving

D. to serve

QUESTION 335 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-137-2

The Valley Songbook, completed in 1912, is the first printed collection of melodies gathered from the inland villages. The book _____ melodies that might otherwise have disappeared, including work songs and short ceremonial chants.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. to record

B. records

C. recording

D. to be recording

QUESTION 336 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-048-2

In 1981, designer Mina Rafi developed a lightweight folding joint, which appeared in products ranging from display stands to temporary furniture. Several years later, designer Mina Rafi _____ the mechanism to create an adjustable workstation that could fit inside a small carrying case.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. adapting

B. adapted

C. to adapt

D. to have adapted

QUESTION 337 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-104-2

Several bookmobiles _____ the rural school community of Glenhaven, including the Willow Van and the Northern Reading Bus.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. to serve

B. having served

C. serving

D. serve

QUESTION 338 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-054-2

For decades after construction was completed, the engineers who had helped design the experimental bridge _____ the original calculations in personal archives.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. preserving

B. preserved

C. to preserve

D. having preserved

QUESTION 339 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-169-2

In 1996, many years after the publication of the overlooked collection, the National History Association _____ the contribution of researcher Mina Vale, establishing a lecture series devoted to the kinds of community records she had studied.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. having formally recognized

B. formally recognizing

C. to formally recognize

D. would formally recognize

QUESTION 340 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-192-2

For many generations, people in several coastal settlements _____ a pale mineral pigment to decorate wooden objects, mark storage containers, and paint the walls of meeting rooms. Curiously, the nearest known deposits lie well beyond the coast; the raw material must therefore have traveled through a network of inland trading connections.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. having used

B. to use

C. using

D. have used

QUESTION 341 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-190-2

Why do certain handwoven fabrics, such as the ceremonial cloths in the valley collection, retain their shape after repeated folding, when modern imitations sometimes stretch unevenly? Specialists _____ that the difference lies partly in the arrangement of the threads, which distributes tension across the fabric rather than concentrating it in a few places.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. explain

B. to explain

C. having explained

D. explaining

QUESTION 342 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-096-2

How did an abandoned garden retain such a varied collection of plants after decades without regular care? Researcher Mina Vale believes the explanation may lie in the way water moves through its soil. In 2020, Mina Vale and her colleagues _____ a study tracing moisture levels around old channels and comparing them with the locations of surviving plants.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. to publish

B. having published

C. publishing

D. published

QUESTION 343 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-188-2

Researchers distinguish more than thirty types of regional courtyard house. One type, the northern courtyard house, _____ both a compact form commonly built on narrow urban plots and a larger form associated with gardens outside the town walls.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. including
B. includes
C. to include
D. having included

QUESTION 344 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-024-2

To reduce water loss in intense afternoon heat, leaves of the valley shrub _____ a thin layer of wax. In this state, the exposed surfaces lose moisture more slowly, allowing the plant to continue functioning in the dry air.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. retain
B. retaining
C. to retain
D. having retained

QUESTION 345 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-025-2

In one period of rapid urban expansion, prices for small plots near a proposed station increased far beyond those for similar land nearby. Some researchers _____ that the pattern reflects anticipatory pricing, which occurs when buyers pay for benefits that have not yet materialized.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. having argued
B. argue
C. arguing
D. to argue

QUESTION 346 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-122-2

Although visitors often say they prefer very detailed labels, some museum displays attract more sustained attention when the introductory text is brief. A recent investigation _____ why: short openings help visitors orient themselves before they decide whether to read the more detailed material nearby.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. having explained

B. to explain

C. explains

D. explaining

QUESTION 347 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-028-3

Under the archive's first arrangement, the unsigned journal is a personal travel account. In the updated collection guide, however, the unsigned journal _____ treated as a record of commercial transactions.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. having been

B. is

C. to be

D. being

QUESTION 348 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-102-3

During coastal wetland restoration, residents helped monitor local plants and animals. Across the region, more than three hundred people _____ as field observers, providing regular reports from sites professional researchers could visit only rarely.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. served

B. serving

C. to serve

D. having served

QUESTION 349 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-137-3

The Northern Plant Index, completed in 1894, is the earliest detailed account of vegetation on the exposed mountain slopes. The catalog _____ plants that were rarely mentioned in later surveys, including small flowering herbs and short-lived wetland plants.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. recording

B. records

C. to record

D. to be recording

QUESTION 350 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-048-3

In 1968, researcher Nora Chen developed a method for stabilizing fragile paper, which was applied to materials ranging from personal letters to oversized maps. Several years later, researcher Nora Chen _____ the technique to preserve a collection of unusually thin hand-painted theater posters.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. adapted

B. to have adapted

C. to adapt

D. adapting

QUESTION 351 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-104-3

Several workshops _____ the independent craft community of Stonebridge, including the Open Bench and the Community Print Room.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. serve

B. having served

C. to serve

D. serving

QUESTION 352 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-054-3

For decades after the theater closed, the performers who had appeared in its earliest productions _____ costumes and annotated scripts in their homes.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. preserved
B. to preserve
C. preserving
D. having preserved

QUESTION 353 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-169-3

In 1979, many years after the end of the original conservation campaign, the Coastal Research Institute _____ the work of botanist Nora Rafi, giving her name to a new program for studying the region's threatened wetlands.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. would formally recognize
B. to formally recognize
C. having formally recognized
D. formally recognizing

QUESTION 354 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-192-3

For many generations, people in the western highlands _____ a dense, fine-grained stone to produce grinding surfaces, small weights, and durable cutting tools. Curiously, the stone does not occur naturally in the immediate area; finished objects or unworked blocks must have arrived from quarries on the far side of the mountain range.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. having used
B. to use
C. using
D. have used

QUESTION 355 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-190-3

Why do some early printed books, such as the large workshop manuals in the municipal archive, open comfortably after generations of use, when later editions may develop damaged spines? Specialists _____ that the original bindings allowed the pages to move independently, which reduced stress along the edge where the sheets were attached.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. having explained

B. explaining

C. explain

D. to explain

QUESTION 356 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-096-3

How did a traditional building remain comfortable despite large changes in outdoor temperature? Researcher Nora Chen believes the explanation may be hidden in its walls and internal air passages. In 2022, Nora Chen and her colleagues _____ a study measuring airflow and heat transfer through several carefully selected parts of the structure.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. having published

B. published

C. to publish

D. publishing

QUESTION 357 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-188-3

Researchers distinguish more than fifty types of handmade printing block. One type, the composite printing block, _____ both a single-color form designed for repeated borders and a multicolored form assembled from several precisely fitted sections.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. to include

B. having included

C. including

D. includes

QUESTION 358 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-024-3

To remain stable during strong gusts, stems of the coastal reed _____ considerable flexibility. In this state, the plants bend with the wind instead of resisting its full force and breaking near the base.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. retain

B. retaining

C. to retain

D. having retained

QUESTION 359 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-025-3

In an early market for rare printed maps, collectors sometimes paid more for newly advertised editions than for older examples of greater historical importance. Some researchers _____ that this behavior reveals a novelty preference, which arises when recent availability matters more to buyers than established value.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. having argued

B. arguing

C. argue

D. to argue

QUESTION 360 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-122-3

Although small workshops can purchase highly specialized machines, many continue to rely on a few adaptable tools. A recent investigation _____ why: flexible equipment can be rearranged for changing tasks, reducing the cost of maintaining devices used only occasionally.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. explains

B. to explain

C. explaining

D. having explained

QUESTION 361 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-028-4

Under the survey's initial interpretation, the shallow stone basin is a feature used for storage. In the later report, however, the shallow stone basin _____ treated as a structure associated with washing and drainage.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. being

B. is

C. to be

D. having been

QUESTION 362 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-102-4

For a regional craft exhibition, makers documented techniques usually taught informally. Across the region, more than eighty people _____ as demonstration leaders, creating a record of methods that might otherwise have remained undocumented.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. serving

B. served

C. to serve

D. having served

QUESTION 363 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-137-4

The Willow Building Survey, completed in 1931, is the first systematic description of the district's older public spaces. The report _____ structures that were later removed during redevelopment, including covered markets and narrow pedestrian passages.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. to be recording

B. records

C. to record

D. recording

QUESTION 364 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-048-4

In 1993, technician Dalia Hart developed a low-power light source, which was incorporated into devices ranging from inspection lamps to miniature projectors. Several years later, technician Dalia Hart _____ the design to produce a portable viewer for examining translucent historical materials.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. to have adapted

B. adapting

C. adapted

D. to adapt

QUESTION 365 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-104-4

Several archives _____ the local research community of Willow Bay, including the Harbor Collection and the Riverside Record Center.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. serve

B. having served

C. to serve

D. serving

QUESTION 366 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-054-4

For decades after the research program finished, the technicians who had operated its specialized recording equipment _____ details of the procedures in carefully labeled files.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. preserved

B. to preserve

C. preserving

D. having preserved

QUESTION 367 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-169-4

In 2004, many years after the completion of the pioneering exhibition, the Public Design Society _____ the influence of architect Dalia Chen, dedicating a permanent collection to the approaches she had introduced.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. to formally recognize

B. would formally recognize

C. having formally recognized

D. formally recognizing

QUESTION 368 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-096-4

How did an old manuscript preserve its bright colors after centuries in an unregulated storage room? Researcher Dalia Hart believes the answer may be found in the preparation of its pigments. In 2019, Dalia Hart and her colleagues _____ a study examining the mineral composition of paints taken from different sections of the manuscript.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. publishing

B. to publish

C. published

D. having published

QUESTION 369 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-024-4

To protect developing tissues from sudden temperature changes, buds of the upland tree _____ overlapping layers of insulating scales. In this state, the enclosed growth is partly sheltered until warmer weather makes continued protection less necessary.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. having retained

B. to retain

C. retaining

D. retain

QUESTION 370 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-025-4

In one phase of growing interest in decorative ceramics, workshops produced imitations of a fashionable style faster than customers could absorb them. Some researchers _____ that the resulting surplus demonstrates demand uncertainty, which appears when producers infer lasting interest from a brief rise in purchases.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. having argued

B. to argue

C. arguing

D. argue

QUESTION 371 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-122-4

Although freshly printed paper may look completely dry, bookbinders sometimes wait before assembling large groups of pages. A recent investigation _____ why: small changes in moisture can still alter the sheets' dimensions, affecting how neatly they fit together.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. having explained

B. explaining

C. to explain

D. explains

QUESTION 372 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-077-1

In 1976, Lina Vale became the first full-time guide employed by the regional natural-history museum. Her animated descriptions explaining how unfamiliar objects had been used and her habit of inviting visitors to compare replicas with original specimens _____ turn the traditionally quiet gallery visit into a lively shared investigation.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. that helped

B. , helping

C. to help

D. helped

QUESTION 373 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-077-2

In 1984, Mina Rafi became the first resident instructor at the community print workshop. Her careful demonstrations showing how a design changed during each stage of production and her practice of asking students to explain their own choices before adjusting the equipment _____ transform a technical training session into an active exchange of ideas.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. , helping

B. helped

C. to help

D. that helped

QUESTION 374 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-077-3

In 1969, Nora Chen became the first coordinator of the valley's traveling library service. Her regular announcements describing the books available on each visit and her habit of asking readers what they wanted to see in future collections _____ change an occasional delivery into a sustained conversation with the communities served.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. , helping

B. to help

C. that helped

D. helped

QUESTION 375 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-077-4

In 1992, Dalia Hart became the first education officer at the coastal research station. Her clear explanations connecting laboratory measurements with familiar local conditions and her practice of taking school groups outside to compare readings at different sites _____ make an abstract scientific procedure into a direct exploration of the surrounding environment.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. , helping

B. that helped

C. helped

D. to help

QUESTION 376 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-081-1

Several advantages—the ability to fold into a compact shape, to tolerate repeated handling, and to be repaired using simple tools—_____ the modular stand as a useful alternative to rigid display furniture; consequently, small museums increasingly use it for exhibitions that travel between venues.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. having established

B. by establishing

C. have established

D. establishing

QUESTION 377 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-081-2

Several features—the capacity to retain moisture, to admit air around roots, and to break down gradually after planting—_____ the fiber container as a promising substitute for conventional plastic seedling pots; consequently, gardeners are testing it with a wider range of crops.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. by establishing

B. having established

C. establishing

D. have established

QUESTION 378 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-081-3

Several properties—the ability to diffuse bright light, to resist surface damage, and to be shaped without heavy machinery—_____ the translucent panel as an appealing material for inexpensive interior partitions; consequently, designers are experimenting with it in shared working spaces.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. by establishing

B. have established

C. having established

D. establishing

QUESTION 379 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-081-4

Several qualities—the capacity to absorb small vibrations, to remain stable under changing humidity, and to be cut into precise forms—_____ the layered composite as a practical option for supporting delicate instruments; consequently, workshops are incorporating it into new mounting systems.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. have established

B. establishing

C. having established

D. by establishing

A verb inside another clause

QUESTION 380 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-015-1

A series of narrow ridges rising above the surrounding plain, where softer layers have gradually worn away over many years of exposure to wind and flowing water, the Stonehaven Formation is an example of differential erosion, a process that _____ alternating bands of resistant rock and more deeply worn material.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. producing

B. were producing

C. produces

D. to produce

QUESTION 381 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-139-1

In the documentary Rooms for Everyone, community organizer Lina Vale recounts how her small bookshop near the central market _____ as a meeting place for residents planning neighborhood improvements during the early 1970s.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. serving

B. to serve

C. served

D. having served

QUESTION 382 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-185-1

A member of a coastal fishing community, Lina Rafi is remembered for her contributions to the Regional Navigation Handbook, which _____ detailed guidance for small vessels traveling through shallow channels and rapidly changing tidal inlets.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. to provide

B. provided

C. providing

D. having provided

QUESTION 383 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-015-2

A pattern of branching grooves extending across a broad limestone surface, the Alder Terrace is an example of chemical weathering, a process that _____ channels where slightly acidic water repeatedly follows the same paths.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. were producing

B. to produce

C. producing

D. produces

QUESTION 384 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-139-2

In her memoir The Open Workshop, craftsperson Mina Rafi recounts how her studio behind the old railway station _____ as an informal classroom for young people learning practical design skills during the late 1980s.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. having served

B. served

C. to serve

D. serving

QUESTION 385 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-185-2

A resident of the northern mountain district, Mina Vale is remembered for her contributions to the Field Guide to Alpine Gardens, which _____ practical advice for growing useful plants in places with short summers and long periods of frost.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. to provide

B. having provided

C. provided

D. providing

QUESTION 386 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-015-3

A cluster of evenly spaced cracks extending across the flat bed of a seasonal lake, the Willow Basin is an example of shrinkage fracturing, a pattern that _____ polygonal sections as wet sediment loses moisture and contracts.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. producing

B. produces

C. to produce

D. were producing

QUESTION 387 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-139-3

In the interview series Voices of the Valley, historian Nora Chen recounts how her family home beside the main river crossing _____ as a temporary archive for documents rescued from damaged public buildings during the flood years of the 1950s.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. to serve

B. served

C. serving

D. having served

QUESTION 388 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-185-3

A former worker in a family printing shop, Nora Chen is remembered for her contributions to the Manual of Small-Scale Book Production, which _____ clear instructions for arranging type, preparing paper, and assembling durable bindings with simple equipment.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. provided

B. providing

C. having provided

D. to provide

QUESTION 389 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-015-4

A group of rounded hollows extending across the exposed face of a coastal cliff, the Maren Wall is an example of localized weathering, a process that _____ cavities where salt and moisture affect some parts of the rock more strongly than others.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. to produce

B. produces

C. producing

D. were producing

QUESTION 390 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-110-1

Researchers studying a shallow coastal cave have concluded that many of its pale deposits were created by repeated changes in moisture. These mineral layers form when water carrying dissolved material enters tiny cracks in the rock, producing thin films of liquid that, after losing much of their water to the surrounding air, _____ a residue on the exposed surfaces.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. having left

B. leaving

C. to leave

D. leave

QUESTION 391 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-110-2

Researchers studying an old industrial kiln have concluded that some of its unusual coatings resulted from material released during firing. These glassy layers form when high temperatures cause small amounts of vapor to escape from heated mixtures, producing clouds of suspended particles that, after cooling against the chamber's walls, _____ a thin coating on the inner surfaces.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. leave

B. leaving

C. having left

D. to leave

QUESTION 392 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-110-3

Researchers studying a restored wetland have concluded that certain bands of sediment reflect the movement of water during seasonal floods. These layered deposits form when overflowing streams carry loose material across low ground, producing shallow sheets of water that, after slowing among the surrounding plants, _____ fine particles around the stems.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. leave

B. leaving

C. having left

D. to leave

QUESTION 393 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-191-1

A model developed by ecologist Lina Vale predicts that the rate of seed arrival—the frequency with which seeds reach a suitable patch of ground—in an isolated clearing nearly four kilometers from the nearest mature woodland _____ lower than the rate in a clearing only a few hundred meters from the woodland edge.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. to have been

B. being

C. to be

D. will be

QUESTION 394 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-191-2

A model developed by planner Mina Rafi predicts that the frequency of pedestrian visits—the number of people entering a public space during a typical hour—in a small park surrounded by several connected walking routes _____ higher than the frequency in a similar park accessible through only one narrow entrance.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. to have been

B. to be

C. being

D. will be

QUESTION 395 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-191-3

A model developed by acoustics researcher Nora Chen predicts that the duration of reflected sound—the time sound remains audible after its source stops—in a hall with many broad, hard interior surfaces _____ longer than the duration in a room lined with materials that absorb much of the sound.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. will be

B. being

C. to be

D. to have been

QUESTION 396 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-191-4

A model developed by historian Dalia Hart predicts that the rate of document survival—the proportion of records remaining after a given period—in a collection stored under stable temperature and humidity _____ greater than the rate in a comparable collection exposed to repeated seasonal changes.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. to be

B. being

C. will be

D. to have been

Matching two complete actions

QUESTION 397 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-123-1

In the early 1980s, inspired partly by the shapes of folded paper left on a workshop table, artist Lina Vale began making large suspended constructions. She painted broad lines across flexible sheets and _____ them from thin wires, allowing the surfaces to bend into overlapping curves above the gallery floor.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. to hang

B. hung

C. hanging

D. to have hung

QUESTION 398 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-123-2

In her first years as an independent designer, inspired partly by the movement of fabric in open windows, artist Mina Rafi began creating lightweight exhibition screens. She attached narrow strips of cloth to wooden frames and _____ them along the room's edges, causing the changing air currents to alter the shapes visible to visitors.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. to have hung

B. hung

C. hanging

D. to hang

QUESTION 399 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-123-3

In a series of experiments during the 1990s, inspired partly by the patterns made by fishing nets drying beside the harbor, artist Nora Chen began developing installations from knotted cord. She dyed the material in several muted colors and _____ it between widely spaced supports, giving the work a different outline from each position in the room.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. to hang

B. to have hung

C. hanging

D. hung

QUESTION 400 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-123-4

In the middle of her career, inspired partly by the arrangement of tools above a craftsperson's bench, artist Dalia Hart began constructing sculptural displays from everyday objects. She fastened small metal pieces to long threads and _____ them beneath a horizontal beam, letting their shadows form a second composition across the wall.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. to hang

B. to have hung

C. hanging

D. hung

QUESTION 401 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-060-1

Ceramic artist Lina Vale's move to the coastal town of Merin in 1982 marked a turning point in her career. It was there that she opened her first independent workshop—a small space praised for combining traditional methods with adventurous surface designs—and _____ lasting connections with other makers working in the region.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. having developed

B. developed

C. developing

D. to develop

QUESTION 402 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-060-2

Documentary photographer Mina Rafi's move to the northern city of Orlen in 1991 marked a turning point in her career. It was there that she presented her first major exhibition—a collection noted for its careful attention to ordinary work and domestic routines—and _____ close working relationships with local community organizations.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. developed

B. having developed

C. to develop

D. developing

QUESTION 403 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-060-3

Theater director Nora Chen's move to the university district of Eastmere in 1974 marked a turning point in her career. It was there that she staged her first original production—a performance admired for blending familiar stories with unconventional arrangements of the stage—and _____ a network of collaborators among the city's musicians and designers.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. to develop

B. developed

C. developing

D. having developed

QUESTION 404 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-060-4

Landscape architect Dalia Hart's move to the inland town of Glenhaven in 1998 marked a turning point in her career. It was there that she completed her first public garden—a project praised for linking practical gathering spaces with existing patterns of seasonal planting—and _____ strong partnerships with neighborhood groups and local craftspeople.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. to develop

B. developing

C. developed

D. having developed

TOPIC 04 / 104 QUESTIONS

Describing Verb Forms & Infinitives

Choose the form that fits the job.

1. Do not add an extra complete verb

If the sentence already says "The scientist published a study," an added description can use -ing: "The scientist, studying whales, published a study." Two complete verbs need a proper connection.

2. Use to-forms for purpose and patterns

An infinitive is to plus a plain verb, such as to study. It can explain a purpose: "She left to study." Learn useful patterns: decide to go, seek to learn, need to rest, and enable someone to do something.

3. Use describing forms carefully

An -ing phrase can describe an action or result: "The rain stopped, allowing us to play." A past participle can describe something receiving an action: "Built in 1900, the house..." A noun plus a describing form can add detail: "She waited, her arms folded."

4. Remember helpers and punctuation

After would, can, or will, use a plain verb: "would build and create." Commas can surround an extra description, but a comma alone cannot join two complete sentences.

Your task: Find the clue before choosing a letter. For each wrong answer, name the rule it breaks.

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Descriptions, results, and extra-verb traps

QUESTION 405 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-121-1

Lina Vale was a practical designer known for finding inexpensive solutions to common workshop problems. Between 1971 and 1988, she developed several devices, _____ an adjustable cutting guide, a folding work support, and a compact tool-storage system.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. includes

B. will include

C. included

D. including

QUESTION 406 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-194-1

The Willow Reading Room was one of the district's earliest independent public collections. _____ by educator Lina Vale, the library became known for welcoming readers who had little access to books elsewhere.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. Establish

B. Established

C. Establishes

D. Establishing

QUESTION 407 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-156-1

In a sheltered valley beyond the city, amateur musicians gather each year to exchange ideas at the Willow Acoustic Gathering. Like similar events, the gathering takes place in a hall with low background noise, _____ a setting in which quiet instruments can be heard clearly.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. this will provide

B. provides

C. providing

D. it provides

QUESTION 408 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-109-1

In winter, small woodland birds depend more on available feeding sites than on their usual preferences. Although the birds normally search for insects among exposed leaves, those feeding sites may become covered by persistent ice, _____ the birds to search sheltered crevices in tree bark.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. to force

B. forcing

C. forces

D. forced

QUESTION 409 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-121-2

Mina Rafi was a community educator known for adapting lessons to places with limited access to formal classrooms. Between 1982 and 1996, she developed several teaching resources, _____ a portable reading kit, a set of reusable number cards, and an illustrated guide to local plants.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. including

B. will include

C. included

D. includes

QUESTION 410 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-194-2

The Harbor Design Workshop was an important gathering place for young regional craftspeople. _____ by designer Mina Rafi, the workshop became known for combining practical instruction with opportunities to experiment using inexpensive materials.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. Established

B. Establishing

C. Establishes

D. Establish

QUESTION 411 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-156-2

In an inland village near the foothills, printmakers gather each year to demonstrate traditional methods at the Open Press Weekend. Like similar events, the event takes place in a workshop with large tables and generous natural light, _____ comfortable conditions for examining fine marks and subtle differences in ink.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. it provides

B. providing

C. this will provide

D. provides

QUESTION 412 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-109-2

In periods of heavy rain, field researchers depend more on accessible routes than on their original survey plans. Although the team prefers to cross the valley along the shortest trail, sections of that trail may become impassable after streams overflow, _____ the researchers to approach their study sites from the surrounding hills.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. forces

B. forced

C. to force

D. forcing

QUESTION 413 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-121-3

Nora Chen was a field engineer known for designing equipment that could be repaired far from a laboratory. Between 1964 and 1980, she developed several instruments, _____ a hand-operated water sampler, a lightweight measuring frame, and a weather-resistant recording case.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. will include

B. included

C. including

D. includes

QUESTION 414 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-194-3

The Northern Field Station was a center for studies of the exposed coastal habitats. _____ by biologist Nora Chen, the station became known for encouraging collaboration between visiting researchers and experienced local naturalists.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. Establish

B. Established

C. Establishes

D. Establishing

QUESTION 415 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-156-3

In an old school beside the river, local historians gather each year to compare records during the Community Archive Forum. Like similar events, the forum takes place in a building with secure storage and several separate reading rooms, _____ enough space for visitors to handle materials without crowding one another.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. this will provide

B. providing

C. it provides

D. provides

QUESTION 416 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-109-3

In the hottest part of summer, community gardeners depend more on reliable water supplies than on their preferred planting schedules. Although the growers normally sow several crops at regular intervals, their shared storage tanks may run low during extended dry weather, _____ the gardeners to postpone some plantings until conditions improve.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. forced

B. forces

C. forcing

D. to force

QUESTION 417 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-121-4

Dalia Hart was a museum specialist known for making fragile collections easier to examine without direct handling. Between 1990 and 2005, she developed several display systems, _____ an adjustable book cradle, a rotating specimen mount, and a shallow case with removable supports.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. will include

B. includes

C. including

D. included

QUESTION 418 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-194-4

The Eastmere Community Theater was a popular venue for performances outside the commercial theater circuit. _____ by director Dalia Hart, the theater became known for offering affordable productions and a place for new writers to present their work.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. Established

B. Establishes

C. Establish

D. Establishing

QUESTION 419 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-156-4

In an exposed plateau far from major roads, amateur astronomers gather each year to observe the sky during the Ridgeway Night Meeting. Like similar events, the meeting takes place in an area with little artificial illumination, _____ dark conditions in which faint objects are easier to distinguish.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. providing

B. provides

C. this will provide

D. it provides

QUESTION 420 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-144-1

Featuring fine white lines against a deep indigo background, Lina Vale's series Night Fields draws on a regional tradition of patterned cloth, a decorative style _____ by the repeated use of narrow borders to frame small geometric forms.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. distinguished

B. is distinguished

C. will be distinguished

D. has been distinguished

QUESTION 421 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-144-2

Featuring broad overlapping shapes in muted green and ocher, Mina Rafi's painting Hills after Rain draws on an older approach to landscape composition, a visual tradition _____ by the arrangement of distant features as connected bands rather than isolated objects.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. will be distinguished

B. distinguished

C. is distinguished

D. has been distinguished

QUESTION 422 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-144-3

Featuring repeated curves cut into thin sheets of pale wood, Nora Chen's installation Open Surface draws on a local method of architectural ornament, a craft practice _____ by the use of shallow openings to create changing patterns of light and shadow.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. distinguished

B. is distinguished

C. has been distinguished

D. will be distinguished

QUESTION 423 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-008-1

Installation artist _____ to make visitors notice how small changes in reflected sound alter their sense of an enclosed space, arranges suspended metal sheets throughout rooms that visitors can cross by several different routes.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. Lina Vale hopes

B. Lina Vale is hoping

C. Lina Vale, hopes

D. Lina Vale, hoping

QUESTION 424 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-202-1

Coordinated _____ widely recognized as a way to improve efficiency and stability in small groups of automated devices (including warehouse carriers, inspection units, and mobile sensors), provides similar benefits, though through different mechanisms, in larger transport systems, such as networks of vehicles operating along shared routes.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. movement is

B. movement, is

C. movement has been

D. movement,

QUESTION 425 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-061-1

Composer Lina Vale's _____ highly regarded during her early performing career and the years immediately afterward, had, by the time of their rediscovery by a younger generation of musicians, been largely absent from public discussion for nearly four decades.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. works were

B. works, were

C. works had been

D. works,

QUESTION 426 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-105-1

Lina Vale's guide to regional plants first appeared in 1978 as a slim booklet intended for local schools, but she revised it repeatedly over the following years. These extensive _____ the addition of new illustrations, the removal of outdated descriptions, and the expansion of the introductory notes, reflected the growing range of observations gathered by her field teams.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. changes included

B. changes would include

C. changes, include

D. changes, including

QUESTION 427 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-161-1

Lina Rafi, known professionally as Lira, became a respected singer in the coastal region. Her broad repertoire—which included traditional work songs and extended narrative ballads alongside short contemporary pieces—gave her work a strong appeal across several generations, _____ her the nickname "the harbor's voice."

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. earned

B. had earned

C. earn

D. earning

QUESTION 428 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-133-1

In the early decades of regional rail travel, station buildings often combined practical waiting areas with elaborate decorative interiors. Remembered as the age of civic station design, this period in public architecture is associated with ambitious construction and careful attention to local materials, its buildings _____ for their carved woodwork and spacious covered platforms.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. were highly valued

B. are highly valued

C. had been highly valued

D. highly valued

QUESTION 429 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-004-1

If a bird can distinguish a familiar call from a carefully altered recording, it may be responding to more than a simple sound pattern. In a recent study, researchers _____ the role of rhythm in vocal recognition, a capacity that may depend on both timing and pitch, adapted a standard listening test, changing the pauses within recorded calls while leaving their overall frequency range unchanged.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. investigated

B. investigating

C. have investigated

D. were investigating

QUESTION 430 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-196-1

The planners connected several small meeting spaces by a courtyard, their layout _____ informal conversation, flexible group sizes, and easy movement over a grand ceremonial appearance.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. had prioritized

B. prioritized

C. was prioritizing

D. prioritizing

QUESTION 431 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-128-1

Author Lina Vale, _____ to create an atmosphere of uncertainty that keeps readers alert to small details, opens her novel The Unmarked Door with descriptions of footsteps that stop outside an empty room and a letter addressed in an unfamiliar hand.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. is seeking

B. seeks

C. sought

D. seeking

QUESTION 432 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-177-1

In the inland town of Merin, known for its long history of textile production, a distinctive weaving tradition _____ back several hundred years—one that includes the use of differently colored threads to produce a reversible pattern—continues to attract contemporary makers, linking new workshop practices with the area's older craft heritage.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. extends

B. has extended

C. extending

D. extend

QUESTION 433 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-165-1

Recent analyses of sediment from a dry valley have led some researchers to propose that the area once supported a much larger wetland. This hypothesis _____ that several water-dependent plants persisted there without interruption throughout a long period of regional drying cannot stand, ecologists Lina Vale and Omar Hart argue, unless other possible sources of the preserved plant material can first be excluded.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. has suggested

B. suggests

C. suggested

D. suggesting

QUESTION 434 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-171-1

In her 2018 study, historian Lina Vale examines the reading habits of workers in several early industrial towns. Her analysis _____ nearly eight hundred titles listed in private inventories between 1820 and 1880 reveals not only a lasting interest in practical manuals but also a growing demand for travel narratives and popular histories.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. surveys

B. surveying

C. surveyed

D. had surveyed

QUESTION 435 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-014-1

Community organizer Mara Naim is one of the local residents featured in photographer Lina Vale's exhibition Faces beside the River. _____ described the waterfront as "a meeting place for many kinds of work," honors its inhabitants through a series of carefully staged portraits.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. Photographer Lina Vale, having

B. Photographer Lina Vale, has

C. Photographer Lina Vale

D. Photographer Lina Vale has

QUESTION 436 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-008-2

Installation artist _____ to reveal how the placement of ordinary furniture shapes the movements and conversations of a group, constructs flexible seating arrangements that can be altered by the people using them.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. Mina Rafi, hopes

B. Mina Rafi hopes

C. Mina Rafi, hoping

D. Mina Rafi is hoping

QUESTION 437 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-202-2

Coordinated _____ widely recognized as a way to improve balance and control in closely linked mechanical components (including jointed arms, rotating supports, and adjustable platforms), provides similar benefits, though through different mechanisms, in complex architectural structures, such as large roofs whose sections respond together to changing loads.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. movement, is

B. movement is

C. movement,

D. movement has been

QUESTION 438 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-061-2

Architect Mina Rafi's _____ highly regarded during the period of rapid civic construction and the years immediately afterward, had, by the time of their inclusion in a major exhibition on community buildings, been largely absent from public discussion for more than thirty years.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. designs, were

B. designs were

C. designs,

D. designs had been

QUESTION 439 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-105-2

Mina Rafi's collection of workshop exercises first appeared in 1986 as a short manual for beginning craft students, but she revised it repeatedly over the following years. These extensive _____ the introduction of more demanding projects, the revision of safety advice, and the insertion of detailed diagrams, reflected her experience teaching learners with different levels of practical skill.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. changes, include

B. changes, including

C. changes included

D. changes would include

QUESTION 440 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-161-2

Mina Vale, known professionally as Mivra, became a respected designer of public interiors. Her wide range of influences—which included local woodworking practices and historical patterns of household arrangement alongside modern ideas about flexible use—gave her work a distinctive balance of familiarity and surprise, _____ her a reputation as a bridge between old and new.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. earning

B. earn

C. earned

D. had earned

QUESTION 441 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-133-2

In the first years of independent craft publishing, small presses frequently treated the appearance of a book as part of its meaning. Remembered as the workshop-book movement, this period in graphic design is associated with experimentation with paper, lettering, and binding, its volumes _____ for their distinctive textures and carefully balanced page layouts.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. had been highly valued

B. highly valued

C. were highly valued

D. are highly valued

QUESTION 442 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-004-2

If a seedling bends differently under two kinds of light, its growth may reflect sensitivity to features beyond brightness alone. In a recent study, researchers _____ the influence of light direction on young plants, organisms that must balance rapid growth with access to limited resources, adapted an established growth experiment, rotating the light sources around carefully matched groups of seedlings.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. investigated

B. have investigated

C. were investigating

D. investigating

QUESTION 443 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-196-2

The museum staff used separate lightweight cases for traveling displays, their design _____ portability, quick installation, and clear viewing angles over the visual unity of a permanent exhibition.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. had prioritized

B. was prioritizing

C. prioritized

D. prioritizing

QUESTION 444 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-128-2

Author Mina Rafi, _____ to establish a sense of distance between the narrator and the place she remembers, opens her memoir Beyond the Orchard with images of roads that appear narrower than expected and a house partly hidden by new trees.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. seeking

B. seeks

C. sought

D. is seeking

QUESTION 445 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-177-2

In coastal Glenhaven, known for its workshops devoted to small wooden vessels, a specialized boatbuilding method _____ back many generations—one that includes the careful fitting of overlapping planks without a heavy internal frame—continues to interest modern designers, preserving a practical connection between historical techniques and present needs.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. has extended

B. extending

C. extends

D. extend

QUESTION 446 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-165-2

Recent comparisons of pottery from scattered settlements have led some researchers to propose that a single workshop supplied the entire region. This hypothesis _____ that the same group of craftspeople produced vessels found at sites separated by considerable distances cannot stand, archaeologists Mina Rafi and Tomas Chen argue, unless the possibility of several workshops using similar local materials can first be ruled out.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. suggesting

B. has suggested

C. suggests

D. suggested

QUESTION 447 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-171-2

In her 2020 study, researcher Mina Rafi examines the changing contents of regional museum exhibitions. Her comparison _____ more than six hundred catalog entries published between 1905 and 1965 reveals not only the continued importance of local craft objects but also an increasing emphasis on the experiences of ordinary residents.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. had surveyed

B. surveyed

C. surveying

D. surveys

QUESTION 448 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-014-2

Craftsperson Leila Reed is one of the independent makers whose tools and finished objects are featured in artist Mina Rafi's exhibition Hands and Materials. _____ called the workshop "a library of practical knowledge," celebrates its traditions through detailed images of tools and gestures.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. Artist Mina Rafi has

B. Artist Mina Rafi, has

C. Artist Mina Rafi

D. Artist Mina Rafi, having

QUESTION 449 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-008-3

Installation artist _____ to draw attention to the ways familiar objects change when viewed from unusual distances, places small domestic items inside large transparent cases distributed across the gallery.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. Nora Chen, hoping

B. Nora Chen hopes

C. Nora Chen, hopes

D. Nora Chen is hoping

QUESTION 450 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-202-3

Coordinated _____ widely recognized as a way to improve timing and accuracy in ensembles of small musical mechanisms (including striking devices, rotating cylinders, and moving keys), provides similar benefits, though through different mechanisms, in larger performance arrangements, such as installations combining sound with synchronized visual effects.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. movement,

B. movement is

C. movement, is

D. movement has been

QUESTION 451 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-061-3

Writer Nora Chen's _____ highly regarded during her years as editor of a regional journal and the years immediately afterward, had, by the time of their republication in a collection devoted to overlooked critics, been largely absent from public discussion for almost half a century.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. essays were

B. essays had been

C. essays, were

D. essays,

QUESTION 452 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-105-3

Nora Chen's history of the harbor district first appeared in 1969 as a brief account based mainly on public records, but she revised it repeatedly over the following years. These extensive _____ the addition of oral interviews, the correction of several dates, and the inclusion of private photographs, reflected her developing understanding of the communities that had shaped the area.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. changes, include

B. changes, including

C. changes included

D. changes would include

QUESTION 453 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-161-3

Nora Chen, known professionally as Noren, became a respected writer of illustrated travel essays. Her varied approach to observation—which included careful descriptions of buildings and conversations with residents alongside personal reflections on movement and memory—gave her work an unusually intimate quality, _____ her the admiration of readers who rarely sought out travel writing.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. earning

B. earned

C. had earned

D. earn

QUESTION 454 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-133-3

In the middle years of the coastal art revival, painters often worked directly beside the harbor rather than inside formal studios. Remembered as the open-air harbor school, this period in regional painting is associated with rapid observation and an interest in changing weather, its works _____ for their subtle light effects and precise sense of place.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. were highly valued

B. are highly valued

C. highly valued

D. had been highly valued

QUESTION 455 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-004-3

If an observer recognizes an object from a partly hidden outline, the visual system may be using expectations to fill in missing information. In a recent study, researchers _____ the contribution of memory to shape recognition, a process that can occur before a person consciously identifies individual details, adapted a common image-matching task, covering different sections of familiar and unfamiliar objects.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. investigated

B. were investigating

C. have investigated

D. investigating

QUESTION 456 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-196-3

The program used movable tables instead of fixed rows of desks, their arrangement _____ shared tasks, direct discussion, and changing group membership over a uniform front-facing classroom pattern.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. was prioritizing

B. prioritized

C. prioritizing

D. had prioritized

QUESTION 457 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-128-3

Author Nora Chen, _____ to suggest that an ordinary setting contains a history not immediately visible, opens her story The Lower Garden with references to a blocked stone stairway and a faint line of lettering beneath fresh paint.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. seeks

B. is seeking

C. seeking

D. sought

QUESTION 458 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-177-3

In mountain Orlen, known for its carved architectural details, a local woodworking practice _____ back more than five centuries—one that includes the arrangement of narrow openings to cast patterned shadows—continues to appeal to new audiences, keeping a familiar regional language of ornament in active use.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. has extended

B. extend

C. extending

D. extends

QUESTION 459 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-165-3

Recent studies of the vocabulary in early travel accounts have led some researchers to propose that a common trade language linked several coastal communities. This hypothesis _____ that speakers from distant ports communicated through a stable shared system over many generations cannot stand, linguists Nora Reed and Elias Saye argue, unless alternative explanations for the repeated words can first be tested.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. suggested

B. suggests

C. has suggested

D. suggesting

QUESTION 460 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-171-3

In her 2016 study, musicologist Nora Chen examines the programs presented by touring ensembles in small coastal cities. Her review _____ almost a thousand concert notices printed between 1880 and 1940 reveals not only the persistence of familiar ceremonial pieces but also a widening interest in new works by regional composers.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. surveying

B. had surveyed

C. surveys

D. surveyed

QUESTION 461 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-014-3

Retired teacher Tara Hart is one of the neighborhood educators featured in documentary artist Nora Chen's exhibition Rooms for Learning. _____ characterized the classroom as "a map of shared possibility," explores its history through portraits accompanied by short personal accounts.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. Documentary artist Nora Chen

B. Documentary artist Nora Chen, having

C. Documentary artist Nora Chen has

D. Documentary artist Nora Chen, has

QUESTION 462 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-202-4

Coordinated _____ widely recognized as a way to improve speed and reliability in groups of compact sorting machines (including parcel carriers, guiding arms, and movable gates), provides similar benefits, though through different mechanisms, in wider distribution systems, such as facilities in which several independent lines must work together.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. movement,

B. movement is

C. movement, is

D. movement has been

QUESTION 463 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-105-4

Dalia Hart's catalog of local buildings first appeared in 1992 as a compact survey of the oldest surviving structures, but she revised it repeatedly over the following years. These extensive _____ the addition of measured drawings, the removal of demolished properties, and the expansion of the conservation notes, reflected the changing condition of the district and the emergence of new archival evidence.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. changes, include

B. changes would include

C. changes included

D. changes, including

QUESTION 464 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-161-4

Dalia Hart, known professionally as Dara, became a respected composer for small ensembles. Her expansive musical vocabulary—which included regional dance rhythms and forms associated with ceremonial performance alongside experimental methods of organizing repeated sounds—gave her work a recognizable yet unpredictable character, _____ her a devoted audience among both traditional and contemporary musicians.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. had earned

B. earned

C. earning

D. earn

QUESTION 465 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-004-4

If an insect repeatedly returns to a particular opening, it may be learning a route rather than simply following a scent. In a recent study, researchers _____ the role of landmarks in navigation, an ability that can operate alongside chemical and tactile signals, adapted a standard maze test, rearranging visible patterns near the entrances while preserving the paths themselves.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. investigated

B. investigating

C. were investigating

D. have investigated

QUESTION 466 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-196-4

The garden designers shaped winding routes to follow the existing contours, their plan _____ drainage, shade, and protection of mature roots over the shortest possible distance between entrances.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. prioritizing

B. had prioritized

C. was prioritizing

D. prioritized

QUESTION 467 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-128-4

Author Dalia Hart, _____ to draw readers into the hurried pace of a city before introducing the central character, opens her novel Morning Routes with brief scenes of opening shutters, arriving buses, and vendors arranging goods beside crowded pavements.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. seeks

B. seeking

C. sought

D. is seeking

QUESTION 468 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-177-4

In riverside Eastmere, known for its handmade paper and printed books, a particular binding technique _____ back over three hundred years—one that includes a flexible attachment that allows thick volumes to open almost flat—continues to influence younger craftspeople, carrying a useful historical solution into new forms of book production.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. extend

B. has extended

C. extends

D. extending

QUESTION 469 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-165-4

Recent examinations of surviving building plans have led some researchers to propose that one designer supervised all the major civic projects. This hypothesis _____ that a single individual controlled the development of public architecture across the district cannot stand, historians Dalia Marsh and Sami Naim argue, unless evidence of independent collaboration among local builders can first be evaluated.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. suggested

B. suggesting

C. suggests

D. has suggested

QUESTION 470 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-171-4

In her 2022 study, archivist Dalia Hart examines the subjects discussed in neighborhood newsletters. Her investigation _____ several hundred issues produced between 1930 and 1970 reveals not only steady attention to local improvements but also a broadening concern with events beyond the immediate district.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. surveys

B. surveying

C. had surveyed

D. surveyed

QUESTION 471 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-014-4

Volunteer gardener Rina Marsh is one of the community growers featured in designer Dalia Vale's exhibition Ground We Share. _____ referred to the garden as "a conversation carried on through seasons," presents its participants in vivid compositions surrounded by their plants.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. Designer Dalia Vale has

B. Designer Dalia Vale

C. Designer Dalia Vale, has

D. Designer Dalia Vale, having

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QUESTION 472 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-066-1

During the busiest harvesting weeks, work in the community orchard continues from early morning until late evening. In response, the volunteers change their usual break schedule. Rather than stopping at the same fixed hour each day, they pause when they need _____ their supply of drinking water.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. replenish

B. replenishing

C. will replenish

D. to replenish

QUESTION 473 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-037-1

Today, shadow theater is often associated with small-scale performances for children. At one point, however, the organizers of the regional arts festival decided _____ an entire evening of shadow plays in the largest public hall! Groups from several communities contributed productions during the festival's first decade.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. presenting

B. presented

C. present

D. to present

QUESTION 474 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-207-1

Dr. Lina Vale is a historical ecologist. This means that she studies landscapes not only as they appear today. She uses pollen records and traces preserved in old sediments _____ environments as they existed before large-scale human alteration.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. reconstructed

B. to reconstruct

C. reconstructs

D. has reconstructed

QUESTION 475 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-042-1

A museum collection is often understood as a group of objects kept for research and public display. This description usually includes works of art, historical tools, and preserved natural specimens. However, the Community Museum Network seeks _____ the definition to include recorded memories, temporary performances, and knowledge maintained through everyday practice.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. has broadened

B. to broaden

C. broadens

D. is broadening

QUESTION 476 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-189-1

In 1989, researcher Lina Vale left her position as coordinator of the regional water-monitoring program at a coastal field station _____ a specialized training course in environmental mapping.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. to enter

B. is entering

C. entered

D. enters

QUESTION 477 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-056-1

In her historical novel The Harbor Window, author Lina Vale uses letters rather than conventional narration _____ the experiences of a family living beside the changing waterfront.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. to recount

B. is recounting

C. recounts

D. recounted

QUESTION 478 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-066-2

During extended periods of low water, boats cannot follow the harbor's normal departure times. In response, the crews change their daily routines. Rather than leaving at a standard morning hour, they wait when they need _____ the fuel and equipment needed for a longer route.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. replenish

B. will replenish

C. to replenish

D. replenishing

QUESTION 479 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-037-2

Today, paper folding is often associated with quiet individual craft activities. At one point, however, the directors of a community exhibition decided _____ a room-sized installation made entirely from folded sheets! Visitors walked between suspended forms created by dozens of local participants.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. present

B. presented

C. to present

D. presenting

QUESTION 480 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-207-2

Dr. Mina Rafi is an architectural historian. This means that she examines buildings beyond their present appearance. She uses archival drawings and evidence from surviving materials _____ structures as they looked during earlier stages of their use.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. reconstructs

B. has reconstructed

C. to reconstruct

D. reconstructed

QUESTION 481 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-042-2

An urban garden is often understood as a planted area intended for growing food or ornamental species. This description usually includes vegetable beds, flowering borders, and small fruit trees. However, the Regional Garden Initiative seeks _____ the concept to include shared learning spaces, wildlife refuges, and systems for managing surface water.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. is broadening

B. to broaden

C. has broadened

D. broadens

QUESTION 482 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-189-2

In 1997, designer Mina Rafi left her position as head of the exhibition workshop at a municipal history museum _____ a graduate program devoted to accessible public architecture.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. is entering

B. enters

C. to enter

D. entered

QUESTION 483 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-056-2

In her documentary Voices after Rain, director Mina Rafi uses recorded conversations rather than a single narrator's commentary _____ the story of a neighborhood rebuilding after a flood.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. is recounting

B. recounts

C. to recount

D. recounted

QUESTION 484 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-066-3

During long field expeditions, the survey team works far from shops and permanent storage facilities. In response, the researchers change their usual planning habits. Rather than returning to the same base every night, they adjust their route when they need _____ essential food and recording materials.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. to replenish

B. replenish

C. will replenish

D. replenishing

QUESTION 485 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-037-3

Today, street sketching is often associated with informal observations made by individual artists. At one point, however, the founders of a citywide cultural program decided _____ a coordinated series of outdoor drawing demonstrations! The events took place simultaneously in markets, parks, and railway courtyards.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. presenting

B. present

C. presented

D. to present

QUESTION 486 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-207-3

Dr. Nora Chen is a researcher in ancient music. This means that she investigates sound traditions that cannot be heard directly today. She uses written descriptions and the dimensions of surviving instruments _____ aspects of performances from much earlier periods.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. reconstructs

B. reconstructed

C. to reconstruct

D. has reconstructed

QUESTION 487 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-042-3

A public archive is often understood as a repository of documents created by institutions or individuals. This description usually includes written correspondence, official records, and photographs. However, the Neighborhood History Project seeks _____ the category to include sound recordings, digital messages, and accounts preserved through oral traditions.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. has broadened

B. is broadening

C. to broaden

D. broadens

QUESTION 488 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-189-3

In 1978, archivist Nora Chen left her position as manager of the photographic collection at a university library _____ a research fellowship focused on preserving early color images.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. is entering

B. enters

C. to enter

D. entered

QUESTION 489 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-056-3

In her illustrated book The Long Workshop, writer Nora Chen uses sequential drawings rather than continuous prose _____ the career of a craftsperson whose methods were rarely written down.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. recounted

B. is recounting

C. to recount

D. recounts

QUESTION 490 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-066-4

During intensive restoration projects, the workshop's small storage area is used more quickly than usual. In response, the conservators change their ordinary work sequence. Rather than following an unchanged timetable, they switch tasks when they need _____ the materials required for the next treatment.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. to replenish

B. replenish

C. replenishing

D. will replenish

QUESTION 491 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-042-4

A workshop is often understood as a place where tools and materials are used to make or repair objects. This description usually includes benches, storage areas, and specialized equipment. However, the Open Craft Association seeks _____ the idea to include shared teaching, collaborative design, and opportunities for community exchange.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. is broadening

B. to broaden

C. broadens

D. has broadened

QUESTION 492 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-189-4

In 2005, engineer Dalia Hart left her position as leader of the instrument-testing unit at an independent materials laboratory _____ a national program for developing low-cost scientific equipment.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. enters

B. to enter

C. entered

D. is entering

QUESTION 493 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-056-4

In her performance piece A Road through Winter, artist Dalia Hart uses short dramatic scenes rather than a chronological lecture _____ the journey of a teacher traveling between isolated mountain schools.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. to recount

B. recounted

C. is recounting

D. recounts

QUESTION 494 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-064-1

While examining a neglected storeroom in 1981, archivist Lina Vale discovered a group of letters describing regular contact between two supposedly isolated settlements. Her finding was the first _____ sustained communication across the mountain pass decades before the construction of the main road.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. demonstrates

B. demonstrate

C. demonstrated

D. to demonstrate

QUESTION 495 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-175-1

A flexible system for arranging historical records, ArchiveMap enables researchers like community historian Lina Vale _____ material from different collections by linking dates, places, and recurring names across separately cataloged documents.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. compare

B. compared

C. to compare

D. comparing

QUESTION 496 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-064-2

While surveying the floor of an old coastal warehouse in 1993, archaeologist Mina Rafi discovered a set of weights made from stone not found anywhere in the immediate region. Her finding was the first _____ direct exchange with inland communities much earlier than the surviving written accounts suggested.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. demonstrate

B. demonstrated

C. to demonstrate

D. demonstrates

QUESTION 497 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-175-2

A compact set of digital drawing tools, PatternLab enables designers like textile artist Mina Rafi _____ alternative layouts by rearranging repeated shapes and testing several combinations of color.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. comparing

B. to compare

C. compare

D. compared

QUESTION 498 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-064-3

While studying paint layers in a public hall in 1974, conservator Nora Chen discovered a complete decorative scheme hidden beneath several later coats of plain color. Her finding was the first _____ that the building had served a ceremonial purpose before it became a commercial meeting place.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. demonstrated

B. to demonstrate

C. demonstrates

D. demonstrate

QUESTION 499 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-175-3

A portable method for analyzing recorded sound, EchoView enables specialists like acoustics researcher Nora Chen _____ signals from different locations by aligning their timing and displaying changes in frequency.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. comparing

B. compared

C. to compare

D. compare

QUESTION 500 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-064-4

While cataloging tools from a rural workshop in 2002, historian Dalia Hart discovered a carefully fitted device designed to measure angles with unusual precision. Her finding was the first _____ the use of advanced surveying methods in the district before the arrival of formally trained engineers.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. to demonstrate

B. demonstrate

C. demonstrates

D. demonstrated

QUESTION 501 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-175-4

A shared platform for organizing field observations, HabitatLink enables ecologists like coastal survey leader Dalia Hart _____ results from several sites by sorting measurements according to season, location, and sampling method.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. comparing

B. compare

C. compared

D. to compare

QUESTION 502 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-053-1

Building on an earlier finding about the behavior of woven fibers, researchers Lina Vale and Mina Rafi—recipients of a regional award for practical materials research—re-created and then modified the interlocking structure of a traditional basket _____ a lightweight panel that could flex without losing its overall shape.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. to produce

B. producing

C. and producing

D. produced

QUESTION 503 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-053-2

Building on an earlier observation of branching channels in leaves, researchers Nora Chen and Dalia Hart—specialists in the design of low-energy fluid systems—re-created and then modified the repeated divisions of a plant's transport network _____ a device that distributed small amounts of water evenly across a wide surface.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. and producing

B. produced

C. producing

D. to produce

QUESTION 504 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-053-3

Building on an earlier study of the arrangement of scales on a seed cone, researchers Mara Reed and Tara Naim—collaborators in a project on responsive building materials—re-created and then modified the overlapping geometry of a natural protective covering _____ a screen that opened or closed as the surrounding humidity changed.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. to produce

B. and producing

C. producing

D. produced

Plain forms after a helper

QUESTION 505 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-072-1

To prevent loose sediment from entering a restored wetland during heavy rain, engineer Lina Vale has proposed a sequence of shallow planted basins along the incoming channel. The system would slow the movement of water and _____ a series of settling areas where suspended material could collect before the water reached the main marsh.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. creating

B. create

C. creates

D. created

QUESTION 506 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-072-2

To reduce unwanted noise in a small performance hall, acoustics specialist Mina Rafi has proposed an arrangement of adjustable panels behind the audience seats. The installation would redirect reflected sound and _____ a more balanced listening environment without requiring major alterations to the building.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. creates

B. created

C. creating

D. create

QUESTION 507 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-072-3

To help visitors move through a crowded exhibition without missing important displays, designer Nora Chen has proposed a set of movable partitions near the main entrances. The layout would guide people along several connected routes and _____ a clear sequence of spaces while preserving opportunities to choose different paths.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. create

B. creating

C. created

D. creates

QUESTION 508 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-072-4

To keep stored seeds dry during periods of high humidity, researcher Dalia Hart has proposed a low-energy ventilation unit for the community collection. The device would circulate air through a moisture-absorbing chamber and _____ stable conditions that would reduce the risk of damage to the stored material.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. creates

B. creating

C. create

D. created

TOPIC 05 / 97 QUESTIONS

Pronouns & Matching Reference Words

Find exactly who or what the word replaces.

1. Find the reference

A pronoun stands in for a noun or an idea. In "The river floods when it rises," it means the river. Find that reference before choosing. Ignore nearby nouns that do not fit the meaning.

2. Match number and role

For one thing, use it or its. For plural things, use they, them, or their. They often does the action; them receives it. These patterns concern the specific nouns in these questions. Singular they can correctly refer to a person in other contexts.

3. Check ownership and contractions

Its and their show ownership or a connection. It's means it is or it has. They're means they are. Expand a contraction to test it. This and that match singular nouns; these and those match plural nouns.

4. Use clear references

This can point to a whole event. It can continue a clear reference to one object. Choose what is clearest in context. If the doer acts on itself, use a self-pronoun: "The barnacles attach themselves to a shell."

Your task: Find the clue before choosing a letter. For each wrong answer, name the rule it breaks.

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Personal pronouns and clear references

QUESTION 509 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-046-1

Programs encouraging book reuse can reduce unnecessary purchases, says researcher Lina Vale, when readers are offered a convenient alternative to buying a new copy. For example, a neighborhood exchange gained many new participants after residents were asked whether _____ wanted to donate books in return for access to a shared collection.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. one

B. it

C. you

D. they

QUESTION 510 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-134-1

Lina Vale produced many short poems on loose sheets kept beside her desk, but she also took steps to organize these works. Between 1972 and 1979, she copied more than three hundred of _____ into a sequence of carefully numbered notebooks.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. them

B. it

C. this

D. that

QUESTION 511 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-118-1

The human visual system is designed to detect familiar patterns—so effectively that, because of a tendency to organize incomplete information into recognizable forms, _____ can even identify a simple outline when large sections of the image are missing. Researcher Lina Vale has focused her work on understanding how expectations influence what people believe they see.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. they

B. she

C. it

D. those

QUESTION 512 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-038-1

When printed visiting cards first appeared in the small provincial towns, some residents viewed the unfamiliar objects with suspicion. Essayist Lina Vale objected to the cards because she considered _____ unnecessary additions to a social routine that had previously relied on personal introductions.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. that

B. them

C. it

D. this

QUESTION 513 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-057-1

"A good map can make the familiar look new," writes Lina Vale in the introduction to Routes We Remember. For her, cartography does more than record locations: _____ choices of scale and emphasis to challenge the viewer's assumptions about which places matter.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. they use

B. it uses

C. we use

D. one uses

QUESTION 514 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-094-1

Artist Lina Vale first displayed Rooms of Light in the city gallery in 1982. The work used thin sheets of colored glass, a material she later became associated with. _____ created further installations using mirrors, translucent paper, and small reflective metal objects.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. Both

B. Those

C. They all

D. She

QUESTION 515 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-138-1

Chronological cataloging is a method used by archivists to organize historical material. It involves arranging records according to when they were created. Thematic cataloging is another approach. _____ involves grouping records according to the subjects they address.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. Some

B. It

C. Those

D. They

QUESTION 516 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-204-1

With its tall central arch and broad roof of pale stone, the Eastmere Assembly Hall is one of the most recognizable buildings in the district. However, many visitors do not realize that _____ constructed over nearly thirty years, with work beginning in 1882 and ending in 1911.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. they were

B. both were

C. it was

D. one was

QUESTION 517 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-090-1

Smaller than a fingernail, the experimental sensors are easy to overlook. These tiny devices can record slight changes in pressure without a continuous external power supply, and _____ can transmit their results over distances much greater than their size would suggest.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. it

B. they

C. that

D. he

QUESTION 518 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-166-1

If you walk through Lina Vale's installation, you may hear a different small sound whenever you change direction. Vale creates her sound sculptures from ordinary objects such as shells, glass pieces, and thin metal plates. She carefully considers the sound a single object makes before adding _____ to the arrangement.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. them

B. these

C. it

D. those

QUESTION 519 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-046-2

Campaigns promoting public transport can change everyday travel habits, says planner Mina Rafi, when commuters receive clear information about their options. For example, use of a new bus route increased after workers were asked whether _____ would like a free trial pass for journeys to the industrial district.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. you

B. they

C. it

D. one

QUESTION 520 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-134-2

Mina Rafi produced many sketches of buildings on small pieces of paper carried during her daily walks, but she also took steps to organize these works. Between 1981 and 1988, she copied more than five hundred of _____ into several bound volumes arranged by neighborhood.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. this

B. it

C. them

D. that

QUESTION 521 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-118-2

The museum's search system is designed to connect related records—so effectively that, because of a method that compares names, dates, and descriptive phrases, _____ can even link documents whose catalog entries use different terms for the same event. Researcher Mina Rafi has focused her work on improving access to collections with inconsistent historical labeling.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. they

B. those

C. it

D. she

QUESTION 522 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-038-2

When portable writing slates first appeared in the village schools, several teachers questioned the value of the new classroom tools. Headteacher Mina Rafi objected to the slates because she considered _____ unsuitable replacements for the shared demonstrations pupils were accustomed to watching.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. that

B. this

C. them

D. it

QUESTION 523 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-057-2

"A story can preserve what a list leaves out," writes Mina Rafi in the preface to Voices from the Workshop. For her, oral history does more than entertain listeners: _____ personal recollection to reveal experiences that official summaries often overlook.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. they use

B. we use

C. one uses

D. it uses

QUESTION 524 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-094-2

Artist Mina Rafi first displayed The Hanging Field in a converted warehouse in 1991. The work used lengths of woven cord, a material she later became associated with. _____ created further installations using fishing line, narrow strips of cloth, and flexible wire.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. Both

B. She

C. Those

D. They all

QUESTION 525 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-138-2

Observational drawing is a technique used by artists to study visible forms. It involves recording the shapes and proportions of objects placed in front of the artist. Memory drawing is another approach. _____ involves reconstructing forms after the original objects are no longer visible.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. It

B. Some

C. They

D. Those

QUESTION 526 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-204-2

With its circular courtyard and four narrow corner towers, the Harbor Research Institute is a familiar landmark along the waterfront. However, many visitors do not realize that _____ constructed over more than twenty years, with work beginning in 1926 and ending in 1949.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. it was

B. both were

C. one was

D. they were

QUESTION 527 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-090-2

No longer than a matchstick, the miniature recording units are remarkably compact. These small instruments can store several hours of carefully timed measurements, and _____ can continue operating through changes in temperature that would disrupt less protected equipment.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. he

B. that

C. they

D. it

QUESTION 528 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-166-2

If you examine Mina Rafi's handmade books, you may notice that each page responds differently to light. Rafi creates her pages from materials ranging from translucent fibers to scraps of printed packaging. She carefully considers the way a particular sheet transmits light before adding _____ to a volume.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. those

B. it

C. them

D. these

QUESTION 529 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-046-3

Projects supporting community gardens can attract lasting local involvement, says ecologist Nora Chen, when people can choose a form of participation that fits their schedules. For example, volunteer numbers rose after neighbors were asked whether _____ preferred weekend planting sessions or short evening visits.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. it

B. one

C. they

D. you

QUESTION 530 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-134-3

Nora Chen produced many observations of local plants on cards stored in shallow wooden boxes, but she also took steps to organize these works. Between 1964 and 1970, she copied more than four hundred of _____ into a set of journals organized by the changing seasons.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. that

B. this

C. them

D. it

QUESTION 531 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-118-3

The laboratory's monitoring device is designed to notice small changes in vibration—so effectively that, because of a sensor arrangement that filters out much of the surrounding noise, _____ can even detect movement too slight to be noticed through ordinary observation. Researcher Nora Chen has focused her work on understanding how such signals can reveal early changes in a structure.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. she

B. those

C. they

D. it

QUESTION 532 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-038-3

When mechanical ticket dispensers first appeared in the municipal stations, some passengers resisted the unfamiliar devices. Commentator Nora Chen objected to the machines because she considered _____ confusing obstacles between travelers and the staff who could answer their questions.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. that

B. it

C. this

D. them

QUESTION 533 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-057-3

"A garden teaches attention before it teaches technique," writes Nora Chen in the opening chapter of Shared Ground. For her, community gardening does more than produce food: _____ repeated practical work to build relationships among people with different backgrounds. This creative approach encourages audiences to reconsider details they might otherwise pass over without noticing.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. one uses

B. we use

C. it uses

D. they use

QUESTION 534 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-094-3

Artist Nora Chen first displayed A Wall of Voices in the community museum in 1976. The work used recorded fragments of ordinary conversation, a material she later became associated with. _____ created further installations using street sounds, remembered songs, and descriptions read from personal letters.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. They all

B. Both

C. She

D. Those

QUESTION 535 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-138-3

Passive monitoring is a method used by ecologists to gather information. It involves recording conditions without deliberately changing the study site. Experimental monitoring is another approach. _____ involves altering selected conditions and observing the resulting effects.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. Those

B. They

C. Some

D. It

QUESTION 536 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-204-3

With its long covered entrance and patterned brick facade, the Northern Public Library is a prominent feature of the old market square. However, many visitors do not realize that _____ constructed over almost four decades, with work beginning in 1874 and ending in 1912.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. they were

B. both were

C. one was

D. it was

QUESTION 537 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-090-3

Thin enough to bend around a curved surface, the new display strips are unusually flexible. These narrow panels can show readable information while remaining attached to an irregular shape, and _____ can withstand repeated movement without losing the clarity of their images.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. they

B. he

C. that

D. it

QUESTION 538 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-166-3

If you sit on one of Nora Chen's experimental seats, you may feel how the surface changes under your weight. Chen creates her furniture from flexible strips, woven cords, and small wooden components. She carefully considers the response of an individual component to pressure before adding _____ to a chair.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. it

B. them

C. those

D. these

QUESTION 539 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-134-4

Dalia Hart produced many notes on workshop methods on scraps saved from the margins of printed instruction sheets, but she also took steps to organize these works. Between 1990 and 1996, she copied more than two hundred of _____ into a collection of handwritten manuals for her students.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. them

B. that

C. it

D. this

QUESTION 540 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-038-4

When brightly colored route signs first appeared in the historic district, a number of local observers criticized the modern markers. Columnist Dalia Hart objected to the signs because she considered _____ distracting intrusions into streets known for their restrained architectural appearance.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. it

B. this

C. them

D. that

QUESTION 541 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-057-4

"An exhibition can begin a conversation without settling it," writes Dalia Hart in the foreword to Objects in Company. For her, curatorial practice does more than display collections: _____ arrangement and comparison to encourage visitors to question familiar interpretations. This creative approach encourages audiences to reconsider details they might otherwise pass over without noticing.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. they use

B. one uses

C. it uses

D. we use

QUESTION 542 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-094-4

Artist Dalia Hart first displayed Ground above Ground in the regional art center in 2003. The work used compressed blocks of soil, a material she later became associated with. _____ created further installations using sand, dried leaves, and small stones gathered from several different landscapes.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. She

B. Both

C. Those

D. They all

QUESTION 543 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-138-4

Sequential editing is an approach used in documentary filmmaking. It involves arranging events in the order in which they happened. Associative editing is another approach. _____ involves linking scenes through shared images or ideas rather than a continuous timeline.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. They

B. It

C. Those

D. Some

QUESTION 544 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-090-4

Light enough to carry in a pocket, the folding inspection tools are designed for fieldwork. These portable implements can reach narrow gaps that larger equipment cannot enter, and _____ can be cleaned and reassembled without access to a fully equipped workshop.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. it

B. that

C. they

D. he

QUESTION 545 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-166-4

If you move around Dalia Hart's suspended constructions, you may see shadows that shift across the nearby walls. Hart creates her structures from found items such as wire loops, carved fragments, and folded paper. She carefully considers the shadow an object produces before adding _____ to a composition.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. those

B. them

C. it

D. these

QUESTION 546 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-049-1

Water in the shallow basin is pushed toward one edge by a narrow inlet, but the curve of the surrounding wall and the position of two internal barriers together cause _____ to circulate through a broad spiral, bringing suspended material toward a settling area near the center.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. those

B. it

C. these

D. them

QUESTION 547 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-148-1

In 1983, artist Lina Vale depicted the working life of the harbor in two prints: Morning Nets and The Last Boat. In 2019, _____ displayed alongside ninety of her other works in a retrospective at the regional art museum.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. they were

B. it was

C. some were

D. this was

QUESTION 548 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-176-1

The chairs made by designer Lina Vale became known for their combination of light weight and firm support. Working closely with craftspeople who used the seats for long periods, she altered the shape of a traditional chair, narrowing some of the frame's heavier sections and making _____ easier to move without reducing its stability.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. both

B. them

C. it

D. those

QUESTION 549 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-120-1

Measurements of the length of Willow Creek differ: the municipal survey gives a length of 46 kilometers, whereas the regional map records 49 kilometers. Part of this difference reflects the fact that streams such as Willow Creek change their routes as _____ sediment from one part of a channel to another.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. they carry

B. we carry

C. it carries

D. one carries

QUESTION 550 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-049-2

Air inside the exhibition chamber is drawn upward by a small ceiling vent, but the shape of the roof and the arrangement of several hanging panels together cause _____ to move along a looping path, distributing the changing temperature more evenly throughout the space.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. them

B. these

C. those

D. it

QUESTION 551 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-148-2

In 1976, artist Mina Rafi depicted the changing appearance of a mountain village in two watercolors: Snow above Orlen and The Open Square. In 2016, _____ displayed alongside sixty of her other paintings in an exhibition devoted to her early travels.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. it was

B. they were

C. some were

D. this was

QUESTION 552 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-176-2

The stringed instruments made by maker Mina Rafi became known for their clear sound and responsive feel. Working closely with musicians who performed in small rooms, she altered the shape of a traditional instrument, adjusting several curves in the wooden body and making _____ more comfortable to hold during extended performances.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. those

B. them

C. it

D. both

QUESTION 553 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-120-2

Measurements of visitor totals at the Harbor Museum differ: the monthly report lists 12,400 entries, whereas the annual summary gives a slightly different count. Part of this difference reflects the fact that institutions such as the Harbor Museum revise their figures as _____ records collected through several different entrance systems.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. they combine

B. one combines

C. we combine

D. it combines

QUESTION 554 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-049-3

Light entering the instrument is directed forward through a narrow opening, but the angle of the mirrors and the placement of several transparent plates together cause _____ to follow a folded route, allowing a long optical path to fit inside a compact housing.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. it

B. these

C. those

D. them

QUESTION 555 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-148-3

In 1992, artist Nora Chen depicted the quiet interiors of public reading rooms in two photographs: Window at Noon and Tables after Closing. In 2021, _____ displayed alongside more than a hundred images in a survey of her documentary career.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. it was

B. this was

C. they were

D. some were

QUESTION 556 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-176-3

The reading stands made by craftsperson Nora Chen became known for their adaptability to books of different sizes. Working closely with archivists who handled fragile volumes, she altered the shape of a traditional stand, reshaping some of the supporting edges and making _____ gentler on bindings that could no longer open fully.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. those

B. it

C. them

D. both

QUESTION 557 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-120-3

Measurements of estimates of the area covered by North Marsh differ: one map shows 320 hectares of wet ground, whereas a later survey records 347 hectares. Part of this difference reflects the fact that wetlands such as North Marsh expand and contract as _____ different amounts of water during the changing seasons.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. they receive

B. it receives

C. one receives

D. we receive

QUESTION 558 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-148-4

In 1968, artist Dalia Hart depicted the patterns formed by fields beside the river in two woodcuts: Across the Furrows and The Narrow Channel. In 2014, _____ displayed alongside seventy of her other prints in a single-artist show at the city gallery.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. this was

B. some were

C. they were

D. it was

QUESTION 559 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-176-4

The field cases made by engineer Dalia Hart became known for their ability to protect delicate equipment during travel. Working closely with researchers who worked far from laboratories, she altered the shape of a traditional case, flattening several raised sections of the outer shell and making _____ less cumbersome to carry along narrow paths.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. them

B. those

C. it

D. both

QUESTION 560 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-120-4

Measurements of counts of the books in the Valley Collection differ: the printed guide lists 8,600 volumes, whereas the online catalog contains a larger number. Part of this difference reflects the fact that collections such as the Valley Collection grow and change as _____ new donations and separate previously grouped items.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. one acquires

B. they acquire

C. it acquires

D. we acquire

QUESTION 561 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-010-1

When a particular service—water delivery and waste collection are familiar examples—requires a costly network of equipment spread throughout a community, _____ depends on a small number of providers in each district. Such services are frequently organized at the municipal level.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. she often

B. these often

C. they often

D. it often

QUESTION 562 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-127-1

When a particular expression—"shared space" and "community voice" are common examples—is used widely without explanation, _____ loses a clear connection to the person who first introduced it. In such cases, readers may recognize the wording without knowing anything about its original context.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. those often

B. these often

C. it often

D. they often

QUESTION 563 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-010-2

When a particular facility—a major theater and a concert hall are familiar examples—requires specialized staff and substantial investment in permanent equipment, _____ serves several neighboring communities rather than only one small town. Such facilities can remain difficult to support in sparsely populated areas.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. she often

B. these often

C. they often

D. it often

QUESTION 564 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-127-2

When a particular method—standardized labeling and numbered cataloging are common examples—is adopted across many independent collections, _____ becomes part of ordinary practice rather than a named innovation. In such cases, users may follow the procedure without knowing who developed its first systematic form.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. these often

B. they often

C. those often

D. it often

QUESTION 565 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-010-3

When a particular collection—a manuscript archive and a natural-history repository are familiar examples—requires stable environmental conditions and expert care for fragile materials, _____ relies on long-term support from a public institution. Such collections may preserve evidence that would otherwise be lost.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. they often

B. these often

C. she often

D. it often

QUESTION 566 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-127-3

When a particular format—the illustrated field guide and the pocket reference book are common examples—is reproduced by publishers in many different places, _____ becomes familiar enough to seem almost inevitable. In such cases, readers may overlook the design decisions that made the format useful.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. these often

B. those often

C. it often

D. they often

QUESTION 567 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-010-4

When a particular system—a regional railway and an irrigation network are familiar examples—requires continuous maintenance across a large geographical area, _____ operates through a centrally coordinated organization. Such systems must balance local needs with the demands of the wider network.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. they often

B. these often

C. she often

D. it often

QUESTION 568 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-127-4

When a particular technique—overlapping scenes and repeated visual motifs are common examples—is accepted by artists working in different traditions, _____ appears without an explicit reference to its early practitioners. In such cases, viewers may recognize the effect without being able to trace its development.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. it often

B. they often

C. these often

D. those often

Possessive reference words

QUESTION 569 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-067-1

Researchers Lina Vale and Mina Rafi received recognition for a study connecting changes in urban tree cover with differences in local temperature, but it would be misleading to describe the achievement as entirely independent. _____ findings relied on a detailed set of neighborhood measurements, collected over many years by a volunteer group led by field coordinator Nora Chen.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. Its

B. Their

C. It's

D. They're

QUESTION 570 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-067-2

Researchers Nadia Hart and Tara Saye received recognition for an analysis of the routes followed by early regional traders, but it would be misleading to describe the achievement as entirely independent. _____ findings relied on a previously uncataloged series of merchants' letters, identified and organized by archivist Leila Reed with help from several community researchers.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. It's

B. They're

C. Its

D. Their

QUESTION 571 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-067-3

Researchers Mara Naim and Rina Marsh received recognition for a report explaining how a rare textile pattern spread between distant workshops, but it would be misleading to describe the achievement as entirely independent. _____ findings relied on a collection of carefully labeled cloth samples, assembled by craft historian Dalia Vale and her assistant during an extended field survey.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. It's

B. They're

C. Its

D. Their

QUESTION 572 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-067-4

Researchers Leila Chen and Nora Rafi received recognition for an investigation of the materials used in several historic public buildings, but it would be misleading to describe the achievement as entirely independent. _____ findings relied on a precise inventory of original construction records, prepared by conservation specialist Mina Hart and a team of local volunteers.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. Their

B. It's

C. They're

D. Its

QUESTION 573 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-178-1

In Lina Vale's 1989 series Rooms Remembered, gone are the bright urban scenes that characterized her earlier work. In _____ place is a more intimate subject: careful images of the quiet interiors she knew as a child. The change marks a deliberate movement toward scenes drawn from her own private memories and everyday surroundings.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. their

B. they're

C. it's

D. its

QUESTION 574 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-155-1

Artist Lina Vale's folding map books offer an unusually flexible reading experience. With _____ several sections joined so that the pages can be opened in different sequences, the books give readers many possible ways to follow the routes and compare the places represented.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. its

B. their

C. they're

D. it's

QUESTION 575 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-131-1

Before the development of reliable mountain roads, travelers could sail between several distant coastal settlements more easily than cross the steep interior by land. In that period, historian Lina Vale argues in her book Routes around the Water, the Inner Sea did more to connect the communities, workshops, and markets along _____ shores than to separate them.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. they're

B. its

C. their

D. it's

QUESTION 576 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-086-1

The present-day town of Merin was once the administrative center of the Coastal District, one of several self-governing districts within the old regional federation. Like _____ neighboring districts, the Coastal District was organized around shared patterns of trade and transport rather than a single large settlement.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. it's

B. they're

C. their

D. its

QUESTION 577 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-070-1

When compact folding cameras were first marketed to amateur travelers, their combination of portability and technical complexity attracted considerable attention. The device, which fits easily into a small carrying case but also protects _____ delicate lens with a rigid outer cover, eventually became a familiar tool for documenting journeys.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. their

B. it's

C. they're

D. its

QUESTION 578 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-178-2

In Mina Rafi's 1997 collection The Near Shore, gone are the dramatic views of distant landscapes that characterized her earlier work. In _____ place is a quieter focus: small observations of the waterfront beside her own neighborhood. The change marks a deliberate movement toward scenes drawn from her own private memories and everyday surroundings.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. their

B. they're

C. its

D. it's

QUESTION 579 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-155-2

Designer Mina Rafi's modular exhibition screens offer an unusually open-ended viewing experience. With _____ interchangeable panels arranged around a set of movable supports, the screens give visitors many possible ways to move between images and construct connections among them.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. its

B. they're

C. it's

D. their

QUESTION 580 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-131-2

Before bridges linked the two sides of the valley, travelers could follow the river between widely separated landing places more easily than move through the dense woodland beside it. In that period, historian Mina Rafi argues in her book The River as a Road, the Great River did more to connect the villages, farms, and trading centers along _____ banks than to separate them.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. they're

B. their

C. it's

D. its

QUESTION 581 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-086-2

The present-day city of Orlen was once the capital of the Northern Province, one of several semi-independent provinces within the former mountain union. Like _____ fellow provinces, the Northern Province maintained local institutions while participating in a common system of defense and taxation.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. it's

B. their

C. they're

D. its

QUESTION 582 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-070-2

When small solar cookers were first introduced in several remote communities, their unfamiliar appearance led some residents to question how they could produce useful heat. The appliance, which uses no conventional fuel but also concentrates _____ incoming sunlight within an insulated chamber, later found a place alongside more traditional cooking equipment.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. they're

B. its

C. their

D. it's

QUESTION 583 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-178-3

In Nora Chen's 1978 exhibition Hands at Rest, gone are the elaborate references to historical monuments that characterized her earlier work. In _____ place is a more personal theme: portraits of the craftspeople who taught her basic workshop skills.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. they're

B. it's

C. their

D. its

QUESTION 584 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-155-3

Writer Nora Chen's linked narrative cards offer an unusually participatory storytelling experience. With _____ short passages printed on separate pieces that can be placed in changing orders, the cards give participants many possible ways to combine events into different versions of the story.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. their

B. they're

C. it's

D. its

QUESTION 585 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-131-3

Before regular rail services reached the upland districts, travelers could travel by boat around the broad lake more easily than carry heavy goods across the surrounding ridges. In that period, historian Nora Chen argues in her book Across the Inland Water, the Northern Lake did more to connect the growers, craftspeople, and merchants along _____ edges than to separate them.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. its

B. their

C. they're

D. it's

QUESTION 586 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-086-3

The present-day port of Sera was once the headquarters of the Eastern Maritime Region, one of several coastal regions within the historical island league. Like _____ peer regions, the Eastern Maritime Region developed administrative boundaries that followed long-established shipping routes.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. they're

B. it's

C. their

D. its

QUESTION 587 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-070-3

When lightweight field microscopes were first demonstrated outside university laboratories, their ability to function without a large supporting base surprised many observers. The instrument, which packs into a narrow protective tube but also steadies _____ viewing surface with a set of short folding legs, made close examination possible at sites far from a laboratory.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. its

B. their

C. they're

D. it's

QUESTION 588 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-178-4

In Dalia Hart's 2006 book A Smaller Map, gone are the broad accounts of journeys across unfamiliar countries that characterized her earlier work. In _____ place is a more local perspective: descriptions of the paths connecting a few places close to home.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. its

B. their

C. they're

D. it's

QUESTION 589 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-155-4

Composer Dalia Hart's layered sound pieces offer an unusually unpredictable listening experience. With _____ independent recordings designed to begin at different points in a repeating cycle, the pieces give audiences many possible ways to notice relationships among the sounds as the arrangement changes.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. it's

B. their

C. they're

D. its

QUESTION 590 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-070-4

When portable recording machines were first adopted by regional oral-history projects, their small size seemed inconsistent with the amount of sound they could preserve. The machine, which stores several hours of speech but also shields _____ sensitive microphone from strong gusts, became useful for interviews conducted outside formal studios.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. it's

B. its

C. their

D. they're

This, these, and matching a noun

QUESTION 591 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-111-1

Lina Vale became the ninth director of the Regional Archive Network in 2014, making _____ the first occasion on which the organization had appointed a specialist trained primarily in community oral history.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. this

B. those

C. these

D. some

QUESTION 592 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-040-1

Mangroves are trees adapted to coastal environments. _____ trees provide shelter for many organisms living where land meets tidal water.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. Each

B. This

C. That

D. These

QUESTION 593 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-075-1

Twenty drawings created by architect Lina Vale, designer of the original Harbor Learning Center, are preserved in the municipal design archive. _____ drawings reveal her careful attention to the way daylight would enter the building's classrooms.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. That

B. This

C. These

D. One

QUESTION 594 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-111-2

Mina Rafi became the twelfth chair of the Coastal Research Council in 2018, making _____ the first occasion on which the organization had selected a leader from one of its smallest field stations.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. this

B. those

C. these

D. some

QUESTION 595 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-040-2

Terraces are level areas cut into sloping ground. _____ areas allow crops to be grown where an unmodified hillside would be difficult to cultivate.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. This

B. These

C. Each

D. That

QUESTION 596 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-075-2

Fourteen letters created by writer Mina Rafi, author of the travel memoir The Inland Road, are preserved in a regional university collection. _____ letters reveal her practical involvement in arranging the publication and distribution of her work.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. One

B. This

C. That

D. These

QUESTION 597 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-111-3

Nora Chen became the seventh president of the Independent Design Association in 2009, making _____ the first occasion on which the organization had chosen a practicing craftsperson rather than an academic researcher.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. those

B. this

C. these

D. some

QUESTION 598 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-040-3

Colonnades are rows of columns supporting a roof or other structure. _____ rows often create sheltered walkways along the edges of public courtyards.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. This

B. That

C. These

D. Each

QUESTION 599 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-075-3

Eighteen photographs created by artist Nora Chen, creator of the series Working Rooms, are preserved in the city's historical museum. _____ photographs reveal her interest in the tools and routines that shaped ordinary domestic labor.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. One

B. These

C. This

D. That

QUESTION 600 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-111-4

Dalia Hart became the tenth coordinator of the Valley Library Partnership in 2016, making _____ the first occasion on which the organization had appointed someone whose career began in a traveling library service.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. this

B. these

C. some

D. those

QUESTION 601 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-040-4

Estuaries are places where river water meets the sea. _____ places support habitats shaped by the repeated mixing of fresh and salt water.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. That

B. These

C. Each

D. This

QUESTION 602 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-075-4

Twelve notebooks created by botanist Dalia Hart, leader of the early valley plant surveys, are preserved in the local natural-history library. _____ notebooks reveal her detailed knowledge of seasonal change across several distinct habitats.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. These
B. This
C. One
D. That

Reflexive pronouns

QUESTION 603 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-135-1

Researchers believe that certain climbing plants can adjust the small grasping structures that they use to attach _____ to nearby supports, enabling the plants to maintain contact as their stems lengthen and change direction.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. itself
B. themselves
C. them
D. it

QUESTION 604 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-135-2

Researchers believe that some temporary marine organisms can alter the adhesive substances that they use to fasten _____ to submerged surfaces, enabling the organisms to shift position when local conditions become less favorable.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. itself
B. themselves
C. it
D. them

QUESTION 605 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-135-3

Researchers believe that specialized mobile robots can release the magnetic contacts that they use to secure _____ to metal inspection panels, enabling the robots to move from one section of a large structure to another.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. it

B. them

C. themselves

D. itself

TOPIC 06 / 75 QUESTIONS

Plurals, Possessives & Apostrophes

First count. Then check ownership.

1. Plural means more than one

Books, wings, and stories are ordinary plurals. Do not add an apostrophe just because there is more than one. "Two musicians played" needs no apostrophe.

2. One owner or several owners?

One owner usually takes apostrophe plus s: "the author's books." A plural owner ending in s adds the apostrophe after s: "the authors' books." An irregular plural such as people adds apostrophe plus s: "people's stories."

3. Check every tested word

In "the photographer's photos," the photographer owns the photos. Photos is just plural. In "rock's and rap's ratios," each genre has separate ratios, so each name has its own possessive ending.

4. Do not confuse its and it's

Its already shows ownership; it needs no apostrophe. It's is a contraction of it is or it has. In "its two wings," its shows whose wings, and wings simply tells you there is more than one.

Your task: Find the clue before choosing a letter. For each wrong answer, name the rule it breaks.

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Ordinary plurals: no ownership

QUESTION 606 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-106-1

In her book Rooms beside the Tracks, Lina Vale uses letters, property records, interviews, and photographs to tell the _____ who made their homes near the expanding junction during the early decades of regional rail travel.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. stories of the railway workers

B. story’s of the railway workers

C. stories’ of the railway worker’s

D. story’s of the railway workers’

QUESTION 607 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-082-1

In the early 1980s, Lina Vale and other regional _____ in the national craft exhibition to a new approach to folding furniture. The lightweight structures soon appeared in traveling displays and temporary community spaces.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. designers’ introduced visitors

B. designers introduced visitors

C. designer’s introduced visitor’s

D. designers’ introduced visitors’

QUESTION 608 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-097-1

What makes the experimental motion controller unusual? You operate it without pressing physical buttons. When you place your _____, the displayed pattern changes as your fingers move through the monitored space.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. hands between the two sensors

B. hand’s between the two sensor’s

C. hands’ between the two sensors’

D. hands’ between the two sensors

QUESTION 609 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-106-2

In her documentary The Other Shore, Mina Rafi uses shipping lists, personal diaries, recorded conversations, and surviving objects to tell the _____ who maintained contact with distant communities despite the difficulties of crossing the open water.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. account’s of the island travelers’

B. accounts of the island travelers

C. account’s of the island travelers

D. accounts’ of the island traveler’s

QUESTION 610 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-082-2

In her first decade of fieldwork, Mina Rafi and other regional _____ in the valley schools to a practical method for observing seasonal changes in local plants. The method later became part of several introductory science programs.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. researchers introduced students

B. researchers’ introduced students’

C. researchers’ introduced students

D. researcher’s introduced student’s

QUESTION 611 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-097-2

What makes this portable sound mixer unusual? You can alter its output without touching the instrument itself. When you place your _____, the balance shifts as your palms move closer to or farther from the surfaces.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. hands above the two panels

B. hand’s above the two panel’s

C. hands’ above the two panels’

D. hands’ above the two panels

QUESTION 612 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-106-3

In her exhibition Hands in the Archive, Nora Chen uses workshop notes, family papers, tools, and annotated images to tell the _____ who helped establish the district's craft traditions without leaving many formal records of their own.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. history’s of the skilled makers

B. histories of the skilled makers

C. history’s of the skilled makers’

D. histories’ of the skilled maker’s

QUESTION 613 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-082-3

In an influential series of workshops, Nora Chen and other regional _____ in the inland towns to the distinctive sound of a small set of traditional reed instruments. The instruments gradually found a place in new compositions and mixed ensembles.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. musician’s introduced audience’s

B. musicians introduced audiences

C. musicians’ introduced audiences

D. musicians’ introduced audiences’

QUESTION 614 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-097-3

What makes the interactive gallery display unusual? It responds to movement rather than to spoken instructions. When you place your _____, the projected image follows the changing positions of your arms.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. hands’ beside the two markers

B. hands’ beside the two markers’

C. hands beside the two markers

D. hand’s beside the two marker’s

QUESTION 615 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-106-4

In her collection Voices from the Fields, Dalia Hart uses maps, household inventories, oral recollections, and old agricultural reports to tell the _____ who adapted their work to repeated changes in the surrounding landscape.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. narratives' of the rural resident's

B. narratives of the rural residents

C. narrative's of the rural residents

D. narrative's of the rural residents'

QUESTION 616 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-097-4

What makes this touch-free lighting system unusual? It adjusts brightness through simple gestures. When you place your _____, the room's illumination changes as you raise or lower your palms.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. hands' beneath the two readers

B. hands beneath the two readers

C. hand's beneath the two reader's

D. hands' beneath the two readers'

QUESTION 617 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-052-1

Changes to the regional debate league's procedures can take several years to become established. For example, a rule limiting the number of _____ can enter in a single season was first proposed in 1982 but did not take effect until 1987.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. rounds teams

B. round's teams

C. rounds team's

D. round's team's

QUESTION 618 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-052-2

Changes to the town's public-exhibition program can take several years to become established. For example, a rule limiting the number of _____ can organize in one calendar year was first proposed in 1991 but did not take effect until 1996.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. event’s artist’s

B. events artist’s

C. event’s artists

D. events artists

QUESTION 619 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-052-3

Changes to the community theater association's guidelines can take several years to become established. For example, a rule limiting the number of _____ can accept in a single production was first proposed in 1974 but did not take effect until 1979.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. role’s performers

B. roles performers

C. roles performer’s

D. role’s performer’s

QUESTION 620 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-052-4

Changes to the library partnership's lending policies can take several years to become established. For example, a rule limiting the number of _____ can request through the traveling service at one time was first proposed in 2003 but did not take effect until 2008.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. volume’s borrowers

B. volumes borrower’s

C. volume’s borrower’s

D. volumes borrowers

One or more owners

QUESTION 621 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-079-1

Publishing researchers estimate that many books credited to well-known public figures are actually prepared with the help of uncredited writers, specialists who organize and shape other _____ but whose names do not appear prominently on the finished volumes.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. people’s accounts

B. peoples account’s

C. peoples accounts

D. people’s account’s

QUESTION 622 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-091-1

To compare the operation of identical instruments, imagine two technicians: one taking readings beside a shaded wall, the other working under a temporary canopy. The calibration procedures are the same for both _____ different positions within the same testing area.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. technician’s, regardless of their

B. technicians’, regardless of they’re

C. technicians, regardless of their

D. technicians, regardless of there

QUESTION 623 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-152-1

Lina Vale's orchestral scores are now widely performed in concert halls. Yet many of the _____ were originally intended for small educational events rather than professional performances; a regional school network had commissioned her to provide music for student ensembles.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. composer’s early score’s

B. composer’s early scores

C. composers early score’s

D. composers early scores

QUESTION 624 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-116-1

The old harbor tower has an unusually broad base. Because of the _____ substantial weight, the ground beneath it was reinforced with several layers of carefully fitted stone. This foundation helps distribute the load across a wider area.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. towers

B. tower

C. tower’s

D. towers’

QUESTION 625 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-101-1

Writer Lina Vale admired the work of Mara Hart, an earlier author of regional travel essays. Scholars believe that a phrase in the final chapter of Along the Inland Road influenced the title of one of _____ The Unfinished Journey.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. Vales best-known novels,

B. Vale’s best-known novels,

C. Vales’ best-known novels’,

D. Vale’s best-known novel’s,

QUESTION 626 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-079-2

Archive specialists estimate that a substantial number of personal histories donated to public collections are actually assembled by volunteer interviewers, specialists who record and arrange other _____ but who leave the original speakers at the center of the resulting narratives.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. people’s memories

B. peoples memory’s

C. peoples memories

D. people’s memory’s

QUESTION 627 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-091-2

To compare how readers use a shared collection, imagine two borrowers: one visiting the central library, the other meeting the traveling service in a nearby village. The basic lending rules are the same for both _____ distance from the permanent library building.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. borrowers, regardless of their

B. borrower’s, regardless of their

C. borrowers, regardless of there

D. borrowers’, regardless of they’re

QUESTION 628 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-152-2

Mina Rafi's documentary photographs are now regularly displayed as works of art. Yet many of the _____ were originally intended as practical records rather than gallery pieces; a municipal office had hired her to document buildings scheduled for renovation.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. photographer’s early photos

B. photographers early photo’s

C. photographers early photos

D. photographer’s early photo’s

QUESTION 629 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-116-2

The central reading room has a distinctive circular plan. Because of the _____ curved outer wall, the shelves were built in short sections that follow its changing direction. This arrangement leaves a clear route around the entire collection.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. room’s

B. rooms

C. rooms’

D. room

QUESTION 630 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-101-2

Composer Mina Rafi admired the work of Tara Chen, a collector of traditional songs. Scholars believe that a line preserved in an old songbook influenced the title of one of _____ Where the River Turns.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. Rafi’s most familiar composition’s,

B. Rafis most familiar compositions,

C. Rafis’ most familiar compositions’,

D. Rafi’s most familiar compositions,

QUESTION 631 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-079-3

Exhibition planners estimate that many of the stories presented in community displays are actually edited by professional interpreters, specialists who select and clarify other _____ but whose contribution is usually described only in a brief acknowledgment.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. people’s experience’s

B. peoples experience’s

C. people’s experiences

D. peoples experiences

QUESTION 632 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-091-3

To compare performance under similar growing conditions, imagine two gardeners: one working in a small courtyard, the other using a narrow plot behind a public hall. The instructions for the trial are the same for both _____ access to different kinds of gardening equipment.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. gardeners, regardless of there

B. gardeners’, regardless of they’re

C. gardeners, regardless of their

D. gardener’s, regardless of their

QUESTION 633 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-152-3

Nora Chen's illustrated maps are now familiar examples in histories of regional design. Yet many of the _____ were originally intended as working tools rather than decorative prints; a transport company had requested clear guides for passengers unfamiliar with the local routes.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. cartographer’s early map’s

B. cartographer’s early maps

C. cartographers early maps

D. cartographers early map’s

QUESTION 634 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-116-3

The main exhibition pavilion has a roof that extends well beyond its supporting columns. Because of the _____ wide overhang, visitors can remain sheltered even while moving through the open area beside the building. This feature makes the space useful during both bright sunshine and light rain.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. pavilions

B. pavilion

C. pavilions’

D. pavilion’s

QUESTION 635 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-101-3

Photographer Nora Reed admired the work of Leila Saye, a writer known for close observations of everyday life. Scholars believe that an image described in a short essay about public waiting rooms influenced the title of one of _____ Between Arrivals.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. Reeds’ most discussed collections’,

B. Reed’s most discussed collections,

C. Reeds most discussed collections,

D. Reed’s most discussed collection’s,

QUESTION 636 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-079-4

Documentary scholars estimate that some apparently individual spoken narratives are actually constructed with assistance from skilled editors, specialists who combine and structure other _____ but who remain less visible than the people whose lives the works describe.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. peoples recollections

B. peoples recollection’s

C. people’s recollection’s

D. people’s recollections

QUESTION 637 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-091-4

To compare responses to a common design task, imagine two students: one building a model from cardboard, the other using thin sheets of wood. The assessment criteria are the same for both _____ choice of material for representing the final structure.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. students, regardless of there

B. students’, regardless of they’re

C. student’s, regardless of their

D. students, regardless of their

QUESTION 638 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-152-4

Dalia Hart's wooden objects are now valued by collectors of modern craft. Yet many of the _____ were originally intended for ordinary daily use rather than museum display; a community workshop had asked her to develop durable equipment from inexpensive materials.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. designers early object’s

B. designer’s early object’s

C. designers early objects

D. designer’s early objects

QUESTION 639 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-116-4

The small field microscope has a compact body designed for travel. Because of the _____ limited internal space, several optical components are arranged along a folded path. This configuration allows the instrument to provide a longer viewing route than its size might suggest.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. microscopes

B. microscopes’

C. microscope

D. microscope’s

QUESTION 640 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-032-1

In 1971, Lina Vale published A Place to Read, an essay arguing that small communities needed reliable access to shared collections. After several towns established new reading rooms, she moved to the coastal district, where the _____ would influence a broader discussion of public education.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. author’s later writing’s

B. authors’ later writings’

C. author’s later writings

D. authors later writings

QUESTION 641 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-124-1

Lina Vale's debut novel The Folded Letter, winner of a regional prize for young readers, consists of _____ protagonist, a thirteen-year-old apprentice learning to work in a busy printing shop.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. messages supposedly written by the novel’s

B. message’s supposedly written by the novels’

C. messages supposedly written by the novels’

D. message’s supposedly written by the novel’s

QUESTION 642 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-006-1

Artist Lina Vale created a painting consisting of a few pale shapes against a dark background. At first, the painting appears unusually simple. Closer inspection reveals that the _____ intricate structure: the shapes follow a carefully planned sequence of proportions.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. painting's simplicity masks their

B. painting's simplicity masks its

C. paintings simplicity masks their

D. paintings' simplicity masks its

QUESTION 643 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-098-1

Lina Vale and her colleagues at the Regional Materials Laboratory recently ran a series of controlled tests to determine how individual _____ affect the strength and flexibility of a woven sheet under repeated loading.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. fiber’s physical properties’

B. fibers’ physical properties

C. fibers’ physical property’s

D. fibers physical properties

QUESTION 644 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-117-1

In Willow Courtyard, a sheltered garden behind an old public hall, are dozens of small animals that cross the ground during the quiet hours before dawn. Tracks in the _____ nightly movements.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. courtyards soil reveal the animal’s

B. courtyard’s soil reveal the animals

C. courtyards’ soil reveal the animals’

D. courtyard’s soil reveal the animals’

QUESTION 645 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-151-1

Designer Lina Vale developed a prototype by sliding a thin paper sleeve over a grooved wooden cylinder and then pressing the paper firmly around the _____ Once the cylinder was removed, the resulting folds allowed the sleeve to expand and contract without tearing.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. cylinder’s groove’s.

B. cylinder’s grooves.

C. cylinders grooves’.

D. cylinders’ grooves.

QUESTION 646 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-208-1

Both the Harbor Workshop, located beside the old railway, and the Valley Studio, based in a converted school, received recognition for preserving these _____ distinctive methods and long-standing connections with local craft communities.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. workshops

B. workshop’s

C. workshop

D. workshops’

QUESTION 647 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-032-2

In 1983, Mina Rafi published The Open Workshop, a booklet encouraging practical training outside conventional institutions. After local craft groups began using its exercises, she moved to the northern valley, where the _____ would support the growth of independent community learning centers.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. author’s later writing’s

B. authors later writings

C. authors’ later writings’

D. author’s later writings

QUESTION 648 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-124-2

Mina Rafi's debut graphic narrative A Narrow Window, selected for a major exhibition of illustrated storytelling, consists of _____ heroine's notebook, a record of a young artist's first year away from home.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. drawing’s presented as pages from the narrative’s

B. drawings presented as pages from the narratives’

C. drawings presented as pages from the narrative’s

D. drawing’s presented as pages from the narratives’

QUESTION 649 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-006-2

Designer Mina Rafi created a chair made from several nearly identical wooden pieces. At first, the design appears remarkably plain. Closer inspection reveals that the _____ technical ingenuity: the joints allow the chair to fold without using separate metal hinges.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. design's simplicity masks its

B. designs simplicity masks their

C. design's simplicity masks their

D. designs' simplicity masks its

QUESTION 650 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-098-2

Mina Rafi and her colleagues at the Coastal Research Center recently compared images taken under several lighting conditions to determine how individual _____ affect the amount of light reflected from a layer of dry sediment.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. grains’ surface property’s

B. grains’ surface properties

C. grain’s surface properties’

D. grains surface properties

QUESTION 651 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-117-2

In Stonehaven Cave, a dry chamber beneath a limestone ridge, are several hundred bats that leave through narrow openings shortly after sunset. Marks in the _____ repeated movements near the entrance.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. caves dust record the bat’s

B. cave’s dust record the bats’

C. cave’s dust record the bats

D. caves’ dust record the bats’

QUESTION 652 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-151-2

Craftsperson Mina Rafi developed a prototype by placing a narrow strip of soft metal against a shaped rod and then binding the strip tightly around the _____ Once the bindings and rod were taken away, the repeated bends gave the strip enough flexibility to follow a curved surface.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. rods’ ridges.

B. rods ridges’.

C. rod’s ridges.

D. rod’s ridge’s.

QUESTION 653 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-208-2

Both Lina Vale, a maker of wooden instruments, and Mina Rafi, a designer of woven objects, received recognition for preserving these _____ individual techniques and contributions to the region's practical design traditions.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. artist’s

B. artist

C. artists

D. artists’

QUESTION 654 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-032-3

In 1965, Nora Chen published Voices in the Record, a study showing the value of interviews with ordinary residents. After regional archives began collecting oral accounts, she moved to the capital, where the _____ would help shape a national program for preserving spoken history.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. author’s later writing’s

B. authors’ later writings’

C. author’s later writings

D. authors later writings

QUESTION 655 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-124-3

Nora Chen's debut play Voices in Transit, first performed at a small community theater, consists of _____ central character, a station attendant listening to the stories of passing travelers.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. speech’s attributed to the play’s

B. speech’s attributed to the plays’

C. speeches attributed to the play’s

D. speeches attributed to the plays’

QUESTION 656 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-006-3

Writer Nora Chen created a short poem built from familiar words and repeated images. At first, the poem appears almost conversational. Closer inspection reveals that the _____ formal complexity: each repeated phrase changes its meaning as the surrounding lines develop.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. poems simplicity masks their

B. poem's simplicity masks their

C. poems' simplicity masks its

D. poem's simplicity masks its

QUESTION 657 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-098-3

Nora Chen and her colleagues at the Institute for Practical Design recently examined samples produced by different workshops to determine how individual _____ affect the stability of a display assembled from lightweight modular parts.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. panels structural properties

B. panels’ structural properties

C. panel’s structural properties’

D. panels’ structural property’s

QUESTION 658 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-117-3

In Maren Pond, a shallow pool at the edge of a reed bed, are many water birds that move between the open water and the muddy banks. Impressions in the _____ regular paths through the shallows.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. pond’s sediment show the birds’

B. ponds sediment show the bird’s

C. pond’s sediment show the birds

D. ponds’ sediment show the birds’

QUESTION 659 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-151-3

Engineer Nora Chen developed a prototype by fitting a temporary coating over a perforated pipe and then molding the coating carefully around the _____ Once the coating hardened and the pipe was withdrawn, the new surface retained a pattern that allowed air to pass through evenly.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. pipe’s openings.

B. pipes openings’.

C. pipes’ openings.

D. pipe’s opening’s.

QUESTION 660 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-208-3

Both the Eastmere Collection, housed in the municipal library, and the Glenhaven Archive, maintained by a local history society, received recognition for preserving these _____ rare documents and unusually detailed records of neighborhood life.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. collection’s

B. collection

C. collections

D. collections’

QUESTION 661 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-032-4

In 1994, Dalia Hart published Ground for Everyone, a short book about the social uses of neighborhood gardens. After several districts adopted its recommendations, she moved to the inland region, where the _____ would contribute to new approaches to shared urban space.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. author’s later writings

B. author’s later writing’s

C. authors later writings

D. authors’ later writings’

QUESTION 662 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-124-4

Dalia Hart's debut book A Map of Small Things, praised for its inventive approach to everyday observation, consists of _____ narrator's journal, a sequence of notes kept by a child exploring a changing neighborhood.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. entries imagined as pages from the book’s

B. entry’s imagined as pages from the book’s

C. entries imagined as pages from the books’

D. entry’s imagined as pages from the books’

QUESTION 663 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-006-4

Composer Dalia Hart created a melody based on a small group of closely related notes. At first, the melody appears easy to remember. Closer inspection reveals that the _____ subtle organization: the rhythm shifts slightly whenever the central pattern returns.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. melodies simplicity masks their

B. melody's simplicity masks their

C. melody's simplicity masks its

D. melodies' simplicity masks its

QUESTION 664 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-098-4

Dalia Hart and her colleagues at the Valley Acoustics Unit recently modeled the response of several small resonating devices to determine how individual _____ affect the range of sounds produced when the objects are struck.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. plates mechanical properties

B. plate’s mechanical properties’

C. plates’ mechanical properties

D. plates’ mechanical property’s

QUESTION 665 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-208-4

Both the Willow School, serving the coastal district, and the Orlen Academy, located in the northern valley, received recognition for preserving these _____ innovative programs and sustained relationships with surrounding communities.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. schools

B. school

C. school’s

D. schools’

QUESTION 666 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-012-1

In an analysis of regional transport records, researchers examined the ratio of maintenance spending to total operating costs. From 1980 to 2020, _____ maintenance-to-cost ratios changed in similar ways, with data for each system showing that upkeep accounted for a growing share of expenditure even when overall service levels remained stable.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. rails and tram’s

B. rail’s and tram’s

C. rail and tram’s

D. rails and trams

QUESTION 667 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-084-1

To explain the growth of a seedling fully, researchers examine each of four _____ development: light, moisture, temperature, and available nutrients. Together, these are called environmental growth conditions.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. factors that influence plant’s

B. factors that influence plants

C. factor’s that influence plants’

D. factors that influence plants’

QUESTION 668 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-012-2

In an analysis of agricultural surveys from several neighboring districts, researchers examined the relationship between irrigation use and total cultivated area. From 1975 to 2015, _____ water-to-area ratios changed in similar ways, with data for each crop showing that growers were using less water per unit of planted land despite differences in the methods used for the two crops.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. rices and wheat’s

B. rice and wheat’s

C. rice’s and wheat’s

D. rices and wheats

QUESTION 669 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-084-2

To explain changes in a flexible material fully, researchers examine each of four _____ responses: applied force, duration of loading, temperature, and thickness. Together, these are called mechanical test conditions.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. variables that determine objects’

B. variable’s that determine objects’

C. variables that determine object’s

D. variables that determine objects

QUESTION 670 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-012-3

In an analysis of catalogs from hundreds of public collections, researchers examined the proportion of locally produced work in different exhibition categories. From 1960 to 2000, _____ local-to-total ratios changed in similar ways, with data for each medium showing that regional artists were gaining a larger place within collections whose overall size was also increasing.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. paintings and sculptures

B. painting and sculpture’s

C. painting’s and sculpture’s

D. paintings and sculpture’s

QUESTION 671 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-084-3

To explain the movement of a small vehicle fully, researchers examine each of four _____ motion: position, speed, direction, and elapsed time. Together, these are called basic travel variables.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. measurements that describe vehicles’

B. measurement’s that describe vehicles’

C. measurements that describe vehicles

D. measurements that describe vehicle’s

QUESTION 672 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-012-4

In an analysis of programs from community performance venues, researchers examined the ratio of new productions to returning productions. From 1990 to 2022, _____ new-to-returning ratios changed in similar ways, with data for each form showing that audiences were being offered a steadily larger proportion of previously unseen work.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. theater’s and dance’s

B. theaters and dance’s

C. theaters and dances

D. theater and dance’s

Its versus it's with plural nouns

QUESTION 673 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-009-1

Engineer Lina Vale designed a small solar collector to concentrate sunlight on a single heating surface. As the angle of the Sun changes, the collector adjusts _____ so that reflected light continues to reach the same central point.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. its mirrors

B. its mirrors’

C. it’s mirrors’

D. it’s mirror’s

QUESTION 674 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-009-2

Designer Mina Rafi designed a folding display unit to fit exhibition materials into rooms of different sizes. As the available space changes, the unit adjusts _____ to provide a clear view without blocking nearby passageways.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. it’s panel’s

B. it’s panels’

C. its panels

D. its panels’

QUESTION 675 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-009-3

Researcher Nora Chen designed a mobile sampling device to collect accurate readings from uneven ground during extended periods of outdoor fieldwork. As the slope becomes steeper, the device adjusts _____ to keep the sensitive measuring equipment in a stable position.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. its wheels’

B. it’s wheels’

C. its wheels

D. it’s wheel’s

QUESTION 676 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-009-4

Craftsperson Dalia Hart designed an adjustable reading stand to support books with fragile bindings. As the volume is opened farther, the stand adjusts _____ to reduce strain along the edge where the pages are attached.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. it’s supports’

B. its supports

C. its supports’

D. it’s support’s

QUESTION 677 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-050-1

The shifting narrative voice in Lina Vale's novel The Other Window reflects the contrast that emerges when _____ (a young resident returning after years away and an older neighbor who has never left) describe the same familiar street. Their accounts reveal how memory and daily habit can give the same place very different meanings.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. it’s two narrator’s

B. its two narrator’s

C. it’s two narrators

D. its two narrators

QUESTION 678 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-050-2

The changing visual rhythm in Mina Rafi's film Across the Courtyard reflects the contrast that emerges when _____ (a visiting musician from a distant city and a local craftsperson preparing for a public festival) begin working together. Scenes of rehearsal and construction gradually bring their contrasting routines into a shared pattern.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. it’s two protagonist’s

B. its two protagonists

C. its two protagonist’s

D. it’s two protagonists

QUESTION 679 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-050-3

The varied use of musical motifs in Nora Chen's play The Last Crossing reflects the contrast that emerges when _____ (a retired boatbuilder and a student recording the harbor's history) revisit the same events. Fragments of work songs and newly composed melodies accompany their different versions of the past.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. it’s two character’s

B. its two characters

C. it’s two characters

D. its two character’s

QUESTION 680 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-050-4

The alternating arrangement of images in Dalia Hart's graphic novel A Smaller Map reflects the contrast that emerges when _____ (a child exploring beyond the neighborhood and a grandparent remembering earlier journeys) follow one winding route. The pictures connect present observation with memories that the spoken dialogue only partly explains.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. its two travelers

B. its two traveler’s

C. it’s two travelers

D. it’s two traveler’s

TOPIC 07 / 97 QUESTIONS

Modifiers & Logical Comparisons

Put descriptions beside the right thing.

1. Ask who or what is described

A modifier is a word or phrase that describes something. In these questions, an opening description must attach to the correct subject: "Walking home, Maya saw a bird." Maya is the one walking.

2. Watch the first real subject

"Walking home, Maya's bag broke" wrongly makes the bag the walker. A name hidden inside a possessive phrase does not fix the problem: the subject is bag. Also be careful with choices beginning with there or it.

3. Match definitions to their nouns

An opening definition must be followed by the thing defined: "A talented musician, Omar played the piano." For a phrase such as "Supported by evidence," ask what the evidence supports: usually a finding or conclusion.

4. Compare matching things

Compare a score with a score, an arrangement with an arrangement, and a person with a person. In "Compared with that of X," find what that stands for, then make the next subject the matching thing.

Your task: Find the clue before choosing a letter. For each wrong answer, name the rule it breaks.

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Opening descriptions and definitions

QUESTION 681 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-068-1

One of the few women surveying remote mountain routes during the region’s early mapping program, _____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. 1902 and 1911 were the years during which Lina Vale charted several paths across the northern ridge.

B. the work that Lina Vale completed took place in the northern ridge.

C. the northern ridge was where Lina Vale charted several paths across the northern ridge between 1902 and 1911.

D. Lina Vale charted several paths across the northern ridge between 1902 and 1911.

QUESTION 682 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-068-2

One of the few independent photographers documenting rural workshops during the district’s industrial expansion, _____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. Mina Rafi visited dozens of studios across the eastern valley between 1923 and 1930.

B. the eastern valley was where Mina Rafi visited dozens of studios across the eastern valley between 1923 and 1930.

C. 1923 and 1930 were the years during which Mina Rafi visited dozens of studios across the eastern valley.

D. the work that Mina Rafi completed took place in the eastern valley.

QUESTION 683 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-068-3

One of the few local researchers recording traditional boat designs during the first coastal heritage survey, _____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. Nora Chen made several journeys along the outer islands between 1954 and 1962.

B. the work that Nora Chen completed took place in the outer islands.

C. the outer islands was where Nora Chen made several journeys along the outer islands between 1954 and 1962.

D. 1954 and 1962 were the years during which Nora Chen made several journeys along the outer islands.

QUESTION 684 / Easy / Practice ID: GA777-068-4

One of the few community historians collecting everyday spoken accounts during the archive’s earliest years, _____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. the work that Dalia Hart completed took place in the harbor district.

B. 1971 and 1978 were the years during which Dalia Hart conducted numerous interviews throughout the harbor district.

C. Dalia Hart conducted numerous interviews throughout the harbor district between 1971 and 1978.

D. the harbor district was where Dalia Hart conducted numerous interviews throughout the harbor district between 1971 and 1978.

QUESTION 685 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-092-1

Lina Vale was a designer whose work made portable equipment easier to use. Named in 2008 as one of the region’s most important practical innovations, _____ led to a widely adopted system for folding exhibition furniture.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. Vale’s 1984 development of a locking hinge

B. Vale, who developed a locking hinge in 1984,

C. in 1984 Vale developed a locking hinge, which

D. Vale developed a locking hinge in 1984; it

QUESTION 686 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-003-1

On May 3, 1982, Lina Vale and other local residents gathered outside the town hall. After asking for years—to no effect—for improvements to an unsafe pedestrian crossing, _____ until their demands were addressed. Finally, on May 21, the council approved the proposed changes.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. officials came under increased pressure when the campaigners maintained a public vigil

B. the campaigners increased pressure on officials by maintaining a public vigil

C. pressure on officials increased when the campaigners maintained a public vigil

D. a public vigil maintained by the campaigners increased pressure on officials

QUESTION 687 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-089-1

Wanting to celebrate the library's fiftieth year, _____ up with a phrase that expressed the collection's welcoming purpose. The committee selected "A Place for Every Story," submitted by local teacher Lina Vale, as its winning entry.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. the Library Anniversary Committee sponsored a contest that would award $200 to an individual who came

B. a contest sponsored by the Library Anniversary Committee would award $200 to an individual who came

C. an award of $200 would go to an individual in a contest sponsored by the Library Anniversary Committee for coming

D. $200 would be awarded to an individual by the Library Anniversary Committee in a contest for coming

QUESTION 688 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-095-1

Far from being recent inventions, _____ several centuries ago.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. the western provinces were home to people who used folding stools

B. the use of folding stools by travelers in the western provinces happened

C. folding stools were used by travelers in the western provinces

D. travelers in the western provinces used folding stools

QUESTION 689 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-163-1

The short films of Lina Vale are known for their unusual titles. Filled with unexpected symbols and disconnected phrases, and shaped largely by Lina Vale's private associations, _____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. each film can be encountered by the viewer without a fixed expectation because of the titles.

B. the viewer's encounter with each film because of the titles can be free of fixed expectations.

C. the viewer can encounter each film without a fixed expectation because of the titles.

D. the titles allow the viewer to encounter each film without a fixed expectation.

QUESTION 690 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-198-1

A pioneer in the field of community sound mapping (the study of how everyday sounds vary across places), _____ may be just as informative about neighborhood routines as those collected at busy junctions.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. a 2007 analysis—by Lina Vale—demonstrated that recordings from quiet side streets

B. recordings from quiet side streets, Lina Vale demonstrated in a 2007 analysis,

C. it was demonstrated in a 2007 analysis by Lina Vale that recordings from quiet side streets

D. Lina Vale demonstrated in a 2007 analysis that recordings from quiet side streets

QUESTION 691 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-080-1

Based on surviving workshop records, researchers have generally agreed that specialized glass production began in the seventeenth century. However, since uncovering fragments of an older furnace beneath a riverside building, _____ may have begun much earlier.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. researcher Lina Vale has argued that glass production

B. glass production, researcher Lina Vale has argued,

C. the argument researcher Lina Vale has made is that glass production

D. researcher Lina Vale’s argument is that glass production

QUESTION 692 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-162-1

Established in 1942 by regional writer Lina Vale, _____ it would become an important part of the valley’s literary revival.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. the valley was where the Willow Writers Circle provided a valuable forum for sharing drafts and discussing new ideas;

B. the Willow Writers Circle provided a valuable forum for sharing drafts and discussing new ideas;

C. members shared ideas at a valuable forum for sharing drafts and discussing new ideas known as the Willow Writers Circle;

D. valley writers in the Willow Writers Circle had a valuable forum for sharing drafts and discussing new ideas;

QUESTION 693 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-172-1

In 2014, a team led by researchers Lina Vale and Mara Reed succeeded in producing a stable condition in which the display's two images perfectly overlapped—visual registration. A precisely aligned state in which separate images occupy matching positions, _____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. two images, when the two images' measured separation reaches zero, reach visual registration.

B. visual registration is reached when the two images' measured separation reaches zero.

C. when the two images' measured separation reaches zero, two images reach visual registration.

D. reaching visual registration occurs when the two images' measured separation reaches zero.

QUESTION 694 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-092-2

Mina Rafi was a researcher whose work improved the preservation of old paper. Named in 2012 as one of the archive field's most useful technical advances, _____ led to a reliable treatment for fragile printed sheets.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. Rafi developed a gentle cleaning method in 1993; it

B. in 1993 Rafi developed a gentle cleaning method, which

C. Rafi's 1993 creation of a gentle cleaning method

D. Rafi, who developed a gentle cleaning method in 1993,

QUESTION 695 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-003-2

On June 8, 1991, Mina Rafi and other library supporters gathered outside the district office. After asking for years—to no effect—for restoration of the traveling book service, _____ until their demands were addressed. Finally, on June 26, the funding was restored.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. pressure on officials increased when the campaigners maintained a public vigil

B. officials came under increased pressure when the campaigners maintained a public vigil

C. the campaigners increased pressure on officials by maintaining a public vigil

D. a public vigil maintained by the campaigners increased pressure on officials

QUESTION 696 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-089-2

Wanting to celebrate one hundred years of the harbor festival, _____ up with a slogan that reflected the town's long connection to the sea. The committee selected "Together toward the Horizon," submitted by journalist Mina Rafi, as its winning entry.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. the Harbor Festival Committee sponsored a contest that would award $350 to an individual who came

B. $350 would be awarded to an individual by the Harbor Festival Committee in a contest for coming

C. a contest sponsored by the Harbor Festival Committee would award $350 to an individual who came

D. an award of $350 would go to an individual in a contest sponsored by the Harbor Festival Committee for coming

QUESTION 697 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-095-2

Far from being recent inventions, _____ many generations ago.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. merchants in the coastal kingdoms used portable sundials

B. the use of portable sundials by merchants in the coastal kingdoms happened

C. the coastal kingdoms were home to people who used portable sundials

D. portable sundials were used by merchants in the coastal kingdoms

QUESTION 698 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-163-2

The musical compositions of Mina Rafi are known for their unusual names. Filled with fragments of dialogue and invented words, and shaped largely by Mina Rafi's memories of everyday sounds, _____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. the listener can encounter each composition without a fixed expectation because of the names.

B. the names allow the listener to encounter each composition without a fixed expectation.

C. each composition can be encountered by the listener without a fixed expectation because of the names.

D. the listener's encounter with each composition because of the names can be free of fixed expectations.

QUESTION 699 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-198-2

A pioneer in the field of vernacular design history (the study of ordinary objects made for local use), _____ may be just as revealing of practical knowledge as those produced in large workshops.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. Mina Rafi demonstrated in a 2010 analysis that objects made in small households

B. objects made in small households, Mina Rafi demonstrated in a 2010 analysis,

C. it was demonstrated in a 2010 analysis by Mina Rafi that objects made in small households

D. a 2010 analysis—by Mina Rafi—demonstrated that objects made in small households

QUESTION 700 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-080-2

Based on the dates of known maps, researchers have generally agreed that systematic surveying of the valley began in the nineteenth century. However, since uncovering a detailed set of measurements in an overlooked notebook, _____ may have begun much earlier.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. systematic surveying, researcher Mina Rafi has argued,

B. researcher Mina Rafi’s argument is that systematic surveying

C. the argument researcher Mina Rafi has made is that systematic surveying

D. researcher Mina Rafi has argued that systematic surveying

QUESTION 701 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-162-2

Established in 1968 by designer Mina Rafi, _____ it would become a leading force in the district’s craft movement.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. members shared ideas at a useful setting for developing skills and comparing practical methods known as the Harbor Design Workshop;

B. the harbor district was where the Harbor Design Workshop provided a useful setting for developing skills and comparing practical methods;

C. the Harbor Design Workshop provided a useful setting for developing skills and comparing practical methods;

D. local makers in the Harbor Design Workshop had a useful setting for developing skills and comparing practical methods;

QUESTION 702 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-172-2

In 2017, a team led by researchers Mina Rafi and Tara Hart succeeded in producing a condition in which the two oscillating devices moved together—phase synchrony. A coordinated state in which repeated motions follow the same timing, _____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. two devices, when the devices' cycles coincide, reach phase synchrony.

B. when the devices' cycles coincide, two devices reach phase synchrony.

C. phase synchrony is reached when the devices' cycles coincide.

D. reaching phase synchrony occurs when the devices' cycles coincide.

QUESTION 703 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-092-3

Nora Chen was an engineer whose work helped small workshops reduce waste. Named in 2015 as one of the district's most influential design achievements, _____ led to an inexpensive way to recover leftover material.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. Chen's 1998 invention of a compact sorting device

B. Chen, who developed a compact sorting device in 1998,

C. Chen developed a compact sorting device in 1998; it

D. in 1998 Chen developed a compact sorting device, which

QUESTION 704 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-003-3

On March 4, 1975, Nora Chen and other workshop members gathered outside the regional headquarters. After asking for years—to no effect—for access to a vacant building for training classes, _____ until their demands were addressed. Finally, on March 19, the space was made available.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. pressure on officials increased when the campaigners maintained a public vigil

B. a public vigil maintained by the campaigners increased pressure on officials

C. officials came under increased pressure when the campaigners maintained a public vigil

D. the campaigners increased pressure on officials by maintaining a public vigil

QUESTION 705 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-089-3

Wanting to celebrate the opening of a new community garden, _____ up with a name that captured the project's shared character. The committee selected "Ground We Share," submitted by student Nora Chen, as its winning entry.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. the Community Garden Committee sponsored a contest that would award $150 to an individual who came

B. $150 would be awarded to an individual by the Community Garden Committee in a contest for coming

C. an award of $150 would go to an individual in a contest sponsored by the Community Garden Committee for coming

D. a contest sponsored by the Community Garden Committee would award $150 to an individual who came

QUESTION 706 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-095-3

Far from being recent inventions, _____ hundreds of years ago.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. the use of water clocks by craftspeople in the river settlements happened

B. the river settlements were home to people who used water clocks

C. craftspeople in the river settlements used water clocks

D. water clocks were used by craftspeople in the river settlements

QUESTION 707 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-163-3

The photographic collections of Nora Chen are known for their unusual headings. Filled with abbreviations and seemingly unrelated numbers, and shaped largely by Nora Chen's personal working habits, _____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. the visitor can encounter each collection without a fixed expectation because of the headings.

B. each collection can be encountered by the visitor without a fixed expectation because of the headings.

C. the visitor's encounter with each collection because of the headings can be free of fixed expectations.

D. the headings allow the visitor to encounter each collection without a fixed expectation.

QUESTION 708 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-198-3

A pioneer in the field of oral landscape research (the study of how spoken accounts describe changing places), _____ may be just as valuable for tracing earlier routes as those preserved in official surveys.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. a 2013 analysis—by Nora Chen—demonstrated that directions remembered by local residents

B. it was demonstrated in a 2013 analysis by Nora Chen that directions remembered by local residents

C. directions remembered by local residents, Nora Chen demonstrated in a 2013 analysis,

D. Nora Chen demonstrated in a 2013 analysis that directions remembered by local residents

QUESTION 709 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-080-3

Based on published school reports, researchers have generally agreed that organized practical instruction began in the early twentieth century. However, since uncovering a collection of earlier teaching exercises in a private archive, _____ may have begun much earlier.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. researcher Nora Chen’s argument is that organized instruction

B. the argument researcher Nora Chen has made is that organized instruction

C. researcher Nora Chen has argued that organized instruction

D. organized instruction, researcher Nora Chen has argued,

QUESTION 710 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-162-3

Established in 1981 by historian Nora Chen, _____ it would become a central institution in the town’s preservation efforts.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. community historians in the Eastmere Memory Project had a shared space for collecting accounts and exchanging information;

B. Eastmere was where the Eastmere Memory Project provided a shared space for collecting accounts and exchanging information;

C. the Eastmere Memory Project provided a shared space for collecting accounts and exchanging information;

D. members shared ideas at a shared space for collecting accounts and exchanging information known as the Eastmere Memory Project;

QUESTION 711 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-172-3

In 2019, a team led by researchers Nora Chen and Leila Marsh succeeded in producing a condition in which the instrument’s opposing signals canceled—signal balance. A neutral state in which equal opposing inputs leave no net output, _____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. reaching signal balance occurs when the two inputs’ strengths become equal.

B. when the two inputs’ strengths become equal, two inputs reach signal balance.

C. signal balance is reached when the two inputs’ strengths become equal.

D. two inputs, when the two inputs’ strengths become equal, reach signal balance.

QUESTION 712 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-092-4

Dalia Hart was a scientist whose work made field measurements more accurate. Named in 2019 as one of the laboratory’s most significant accomplishments, _____ led to a practical technique for comparing readings taken outdoors.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. Hart’s 2001 development of a stable reference sensor

B. Hart developed a stable reference sensor in 2001; it

C. Hart, who developed a stable reference sensor in 2001,

D. in 2001 Hart developed a stable reference sensor, which

QUESTION 713 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-095-4

Far from being recent inventions, _____ more than a millennium ago.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. the use of counterweighted doors by builders in the southern cities happened

B. the southern cities were home to people who used counterweighted doors

C. counterweighted doors were used by builders in the southern cities

D. builders in the southern cities used counterweighted doors

QUESTION 714 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-163-4

The illustrated stories of Dalia Hart are known for their unusual titles. Filled with small drawings and unfamiliar combinations of letters, and shaped largely by Dalia Hart's changing feelings during the creative process, _____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. the titles allow the reader to encounter each story without a fixed expectation.

B. the reader can encounter each story without a fixed expectation because of the titles.

C. each story can be encountered by the reader without a fixed expectation because of the titles.

D. the reader's encounter with each story because of the titles can be free of fixed expectations.

QUESTION 715 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-080-4

Based on the oldest cataloged instruments, researchers have generally agreed that regional use of a particular tuning system began in the eighteenth century. However, since uncovering a set of marked wooden pipes from an earlier workshop, _____ may have begun much earlier.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. researcher Dalia Hart has argued that use of that system

B. the argument researcher Dalia Hart has made is that use of that system

C. use of that system, researcher Dalia Hart has argued,

D. researcher Dalia Hart's argument is that use of that system

QUESTION 716 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-162-4

Established in 1995 by musician Dalia Hart, _____ it would become a lasting influence on the region's performance culture.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. the Maren Music Group provided a welcoming place for rehearsing works and exploring new arrangements;

B. the Maren region was where the Maren Music Group provided a welcoming place for rehearsing works and exploring new arrangements;

C. regional performers in the Maren Music Group had a welcoming place for rehearsing works and exploring new arrangements;

D. members shared ideas at a welcoming place for rehearsing works and exploring new arrangements known as the Maren Music Group;

QUESTION 717 / Medium / Practice ID: GA777-172-4

In 2021, a team led by researchers Dalia Naim and Rina Saye succeeded in producing a condition in which the paired loads no longer turned the beam—static balance. A motionless state in which opposing turning effects exactly cancel, _____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. static balance is reached when the two loads' turning effects become equal.

B. when the two loads' turning effects become equal, two loads reach static balance.

C. reaching static balance occurs when the two loads' turning effects become equal.

D. two loads, when the two loads' turning effects become equal, reach static balance.

QUESTION 718 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-021-1

The Narrow Passage is a regional play performed each year at the Harbor Festival. Based on events that occurred when the harbor was controlled by a council of trading families, _____ had once been a trusted adviser to the council but later opposed its decision to close the main landing place.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. the navigator whose story is told in The Narrow Passage, Maren,

B. there was a navigator, Maren, who in The Narrow Passage

C. Maren, the navigator in the story of The Narrow Passage,

D. The Narrow Passage tells the story of Maren, a navigator who

QUESTION 719 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-002-1

Despite being lightweight, inexpensive, and simple to install, _____ they require frequent recalibration, and their displays are difficult to read in bright sunlight.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. portable electronic gauges have two practical limitations:

B. there are two practical limitations associated with portable electronic gauges:

C. two practical limitations are associated with portable electronic gauges:

D. portable electronic gauges' two practical limitations are that

QUESTION 720 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-153-1

Forming a shared regional network through cooperative cataloging—that is, an arrangement in which separate collections use compatible records—_____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. books and historical documents can be exchanged through the connected catalogs and common search tools of local libraries and community archives.

B. the exchange of books and historical documents is possible through the connected catalogs and common search tools of local libraries and community archives.

C. local libraries and community archives can exchange books and historical documents through their connected catalogs and common search tools.

D. it is the connection between the connected catalogs and common search tools of local libraries and community archives that makes exchanging books and historical documents possible.

QUESTION 721 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-071-1

Known as “living barriers,” planted windbreaks are narrow rows of shrubs established along the edges of exposed fields. Shielding loose soil from moving air, _____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. a recent study has estimated that these barriers reduce windborne soil loss by 40 percent.

B. an estimated 40 percent reduction in windborne soil loss is due to these barriers, according to a recent study.

C. a recent study’s estimate is that these barriers reduce windborne soil loss by 40 percent.

D. these barriers reduce windborne soil loss by an estimated 40 percent, according to a recent study.

QUESTION 722 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-147-1

A regional planning body officially known as the Valley Assembly, _____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. the first opening of one of the oldest planning institutions in the region, the valley’s council, was in 1884.

B. 1884 was the year when the valley’s council, one of the oldest planning institutions in the region, first opened.

C. the oldest planning institutions in the region include one which first opened in 1884, the valley’s council.

D. the valley’s council is one of the oldest planning institutions in the region, first opening in 1884.

QUESTION 723 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-107-1

In discussions of regional fiction, Lina Vale's 1972 novel The Far Window holds a prominent place. A family narrative, a portrait of a changing town, and a close study of inherited expectations, _____ examines the relationship between private choices and public authority with memorable precision.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. Lina Vale created a novel that, first presented two years before the town adopted a new civic charter,

B. the community changed when the town adopted a new civic charter, two years after the first presentation of Lina Vale's novel, which

C. Lina Vale's novel, first presented two years before the town adopted a new civic charter,

D. first presented two years before the town adopted a new civic charter, Lina Vale created a novel that

QUESTION 724 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-119-1

In 2018, engineer Lina Vale oversaw the installation of 84 acoustic baffles, hanging panels designed to absorb reflected sound, in a busy public reading room. By limiting the noise that reaches adjacent tables, _____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. the baffles have reduced both distracting echoes and the resulting difficulty of hearing nearby speakers.

B. both the initial problem and its later consequences have been reduced by the baffles.

C. the improvement achieved by the baffles has addressed the underlying problems.

D. the effects produced by the baffles have brought about a useful improvement.

QUESTION 725 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-058-1

In assessing the novels of regional writer Lina Vale, _____ have overlooked her equally strong interest in spoken family histories.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. regional writer Lina Vale's borrowings from international detective fiction have been emphasized by many critics, who

B. there are many critics who have emphasized regional writer Lina Vale's borrowings from international detective fiction, but they

C. the emphasis of many critics has been on regional writer Lina Vale's borrowings from international detective fiction; they

D. many critics have emphasized regional writer Lina Vale's borrowings from international detective fiction but

QUESTION 726 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-017-1

Researchers Lina Vale and Mara Reed have tried to explain why some inexperienced visitors repeatedly circle the same gallery room. Knowing that people often use prominent doorways as landmarks, _____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. visitors mistake a mirrored opening for an exit and return to the same point while trying to leave the room, the researchers propose.

B. the researchers propose that visitors mistake a mirrored opening for an exit and return to the same point while trying to leave the room.

C. visitors return to the same point while trying to leave the room, the researchers propose, because they mistake a mirrored opening for an exit.

D. the researchers' proposal is that visitors mistake a mirrored opening for an exit and return to the same point while trying to leave the room.

QUESTION 727 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-103-1

The mesh used in the standard display is usually a regular grid, distinguished by a repeating pattern of identical square openings. The experimental mesh, on the other hand, contains uneven openings distributed across the surface. Defined by an irregular arrangement of crossing strands, _____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. the experimental mesh does not repeat the uniform pattern found in the standard grid.

B. the standard grid has a more regular arrangement than the experimental mesh.

C. the standard grid differs from the experimental mesh, which does not repeat the uniform pattern found in the standard grid.

D. the lack of uniformity in the experimental mesh explains how its design differs from the standard grid.

QUESTION 728 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-088-1

Shaped from reclaimed wood and carefully joined using a hand-tool method learned from the maker's grandfather, _____ so smooth and gently curved that viewers often mistake them for solid pieces.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. designer Lina Vale creates sculptural chairs that are

B. the sculptural chairs of designer Lina Vale are

C. designer Lina Vale is a regional furniture maker whose sculptural chairs are

D. when creating sculptural chairs, designer Lina Vale makes them

QUESTION 729 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-013-1

Supported by detailed comparisons of more than 1,800 workshop inventories from the nineteenth century, _____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. locally available wood and reused metal were, a 2018 study found, the primary materials in small rural workshops.

B. small rural workshops were found, in a 2018 study, to have used locally available wood and reused metal as their primary materials.

C. findings from a 2018 study suggested that locally available wood and reused metal were the primary materials in small rural workshops.

D. the key elements of these activities were locally available wood and reused metal, according to a 2018 study.

QUESTION 730 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-047-1

Images of heat patterns on a surface, _____ small areas that remain warm after the surrounding material has cooled.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. the most thoroughly insulated wall sections while responding to a brief heating test have thermal maps that show

B. thermal maps show that while responding to a brief heating test, the most thoroughly insulated wall sections have

C. responses from the most thoroughly insulated wall sections show that the thermal maps have

D. the results from the most thoroughly insulated wall sections while responding to a brief heating test show that the structures have

QUESTION 731 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-186-1

In 1983, orchestra director Lina Vale became unable to lead rehearsals after a serious illness. As a result, the organizing committee appointed Mara Reed, a senior performer with considerable conducting experience, to serve as temporary director. Upon returning six months later, _____ requiring Reed to step aside and prompting a long discussion about the ensemble’s future.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. Vale resumed her duties,

B. it was Vale who resumed her duties,

C. the management role of Vale resumed,

D. Vale’s leadership resumed,

QUESTION 732 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-021-2

A Window on the Square is a historical novel often discussed in local reading groups. Based on events that occurred when the town’s printing houses were subject to strict licensing, _____ had once been an apprentice in an approved workshop but later established an independent press outside the district.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. there was a young printer, Sela, who in A Window on the Square

B. the young printer whose story is told in A Window on the Square, Sela,

C. Sela, the young printer in the story of A Window on the Square,

D. A Window on the Square tells the story of Sela, a young printer who

QUESTION 733 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-002-2

Despite being strong, versatile, and easy to shape, _____ they expand considerably when heated, and most cannot be joined with ordinary adhesives.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. two practical limitations are associated with the new composite panels:

B. the new composite panels’ two practical limitations are that

C. there are two practical limitations associated with the new composite panels:

D. the new composite panels have two practical limitations:

QUESTION 734 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-153-2

Forming a network through joint workshop planning—that is, a system where makers coordinate the use of equipment—_____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. small studios and neighborhood workshops can exchange tools and spare materials through their shared schedules and linked inventory lists.

B. tools and spare materials can be exchanged through the shared schedules and linked inventory lists of small studios and neighborhood workshops.

C. it is the connection between the shared schedules and linked inventory lists of small studios and neighborhood workshops that makes exchanging tools and spare materials possible.

D. the exchange of tools and spare materials is possible through the shared schedules and linked inventory lists of small studios and neighborhood workshops.

QUESTION 735 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-071-2

Known as “floating filters,” vegetated rafts are small platforms of rooted plants placed in sheltered collection ponds. Removing dissolved material from the surrounding water, _____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. these rafts reduce the amount of excess nutrients in the ponds by an estimated 35 percent, according to a recent study.

B. a recent study has estimated that these rafts reduce the amount of excess nutrients in the ponds by 35 percent.

C. an estimated 35 percent reduction in the amount of excess nutrients in the ponds is due to these rafts, according to a recent study.

D. a recent study’s estimate is that these rafts reduce the amount of excess nutrients in the ponds by 35 percent.

QUESTION 736 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-147-2

A public archive officially known as the Harbor Record House, _____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. 1906 was the year when the harbor’s archive, one of the oldest document collections in the region, first opened.

B. the first opening of one of the oldest document collections in the region, the harbor’s archive, was in 1906.

C. the harbor’s archive is one of the oldest document collections in the region, first opening in 1906.

D. the oldest document collections in the region include one which first opened in 1906, the harbor’s archive.

QUESTION 737 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-107-2

In discussions of twentieth-century documentary film, Mina Rafi's 1986 film Working Light holds a prominent place. A record of daily labor, a meditation on memory, and an account of a disappearing industry, _____ examines the relationship between practical skill and collective identity with memorable precision.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. first presented two years before the old workshops finally closed, Mina Rafi created a film that

B. Mina Rafi's film, first presented two years before the old workshops finally closed,

C. Mina Rafi created a film that, first presented two years before the old workshops finally closed,

D. the community changed when the old workshops finally closed, two years after the first presentation of Mina Rafi's film, which

QUESTION 738 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-119-2

In 2020, designer Mina Rafi oversaw the installation of 120 shading screens, adjustable panels intended to block direct sunlight, in the upper rooms of a community learning center. By reducing the sunlight striking the windows, _____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. the screens have lessened both unwanted glare and the resulting discomfort of using computer displays.

B. the effects produced by the screens have brought about a useful improvement.

C. both the initial problem and its later consequences have been reduced by the screens.

D. the improvement achieved by the screens has addressed the underlying problems.

QUESTION 739 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-058-2

In assessing the buildings of architect Mina Rafi, _____ have overlooked her equally careful use of local construction methods.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. the emphasis of many critics has been on architect Mina Rafi's references to monumental public architecture; they

B. architect Mina Rafi's references to monumental public architecture have been emphasized by many critics, who

C. there are many critics who have emphasized architect Mina Rafi's references to monumental public architecture, but they

D. many critics have emphasized architect Mina Rafi's references to monumental public architecture but

QUESTION 740 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-017-2

Researchers Mina Rafi and Tara Hart have tried to explain why some small field robots veer toward reflective surfaces. Knowing that the robots use differences in brightness to guide their movement, _____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. the robots adjust their direction while approaching such surfaces, the researchers propose, because they interpret bright reflections as open pathways.

B. the researchers' proposal is that the robots interpret bright reflections as open pathways and adjust their direction while approaching such surfaces.

C. the robots interpret bright reflections as open pathways and adjust their direction while approaching such surfaces, the researchers propose.

D. the researchers propose that the robots interpret bright reflections as open pathways and adjust their direction while approaching such surfaces.

QUESTION 741 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-103-2

The path system used in the central garden is usually a formal layout, distinguished by straight routes meeting at carefully spaced intersections. The woodland layout, on the other hand, follows the changing shape of the surrounding ground. Defined by a winding arrangement of routes with no fixed spacing, _____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. the formal layout differs from the woodland layout, which does not use the repeated intersections found in the formal layout.

B. the formal layout has a more regular arrangement than the woodland layout.

C. the woodland layout does not use the repeated intersections found in the formal layout.

D. the lack of uniformity in the woodland layout explains how its design differs from the formal layout.

QUESTION 742 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-088-2

Cast from discarded glass and slowly cooled using a small-furnace technique taught by the artist's former mentor, _____ so clear and richly colored that ordinary light produces shifting patterns within them.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. artist Mina Rafi is a studio glassworker whose decorative vessels are

B. when creating decorative vessels, artist Mina Rafi makes them

C. the decorative vessels of artist Mina Rafi are

D. artist Mina Rafi creates decorative vessels that are

QUESTION 743 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-013-2

Supported by chemical analyses of over 1,500 fragments of painted pottery from several neighboring settlements, _____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. regional pottery makers were found, in a 2020 study, to have used iron-rich earth and crushed charcoal as their main sources of color.

B. iron-rich earth and crushed charcoal were, a 2020 study found, the main sources of color in regional pottery.

C. findings from a 2020 study suggested that iron-rich earth and crushed charcoal were the main sources of color in regional pottery.

D. the key elements of these activities were iron-rich earth and crushed charcoal, according to a 2020 study.

QUESTION 744 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-047-2

Records of changes in water level over time, _____ a consistent delay between peak rainfall and the highest water level.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. the results from the most heavily planted collection basins while responding to a simulated storm show that the structures have

B. responses from the most heavily planted collection basins show that the level traces have

C. level traces show that while responding to a simulated storm, the most heavily planted collection basins have

D. the most heavily planted collection basins while responding to a simulated storm have level traces that show

QUESTION 745 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-186-2

In 1996, museum director Mina Rafi became unable to manage the collection after an extended period of illness. As a result, the trustees appointed Tara Hart, an experienced curator who had supervised several major exhibitions, to act as interim director. Upon returning the following spring, _____ ending Hart’s temporary appointment and reopening debate over the planned exhibition schedule.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. Rafi resumed her duties,

B. it was Rafi who resumed her duties,

C. Rafi’s leadership resumed,

D. the management role of Rafi resumed,

QUESTION 746 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-021-3

The Last Caravan is a long narrative poem recited during the valley's autumn gathering. Based on events that occurred when travel through the mountain pass required official permission, _____ had once been a guide employed by the regional governor but later helped a group of merchants find an alternative route.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. The Last Caravan tells the story of Orin, a mountain guide who

B. the mountain guide whose story is told in The Last Caravan, Orin,

C. Orin, the mountain guide in the story of The Last Caravan,

D. there was a mountain guide, Orin, who in The Last Caravan

QUESTION 747 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-002-3

Despite being compact, quiet, and easy to transport, _____ they store relatively little energy, and their output falls sharply in cold conditions.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. the experimental power units' two practical limitations are that

B. there are two practical limitations associated with the experimental power units:

C. the experimental power units have two practical limitations:

D. two practical limitations are associated with the experimental power units:

QUESTION 748 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-153-3

Forming a network through cooperative seed saving—that is, an arrangement where growers preserve and redistribute locally adapted varieties—_____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. seeds and growing information can be exchanged through the combined seed stores and shared planting records of community gardens and small farms.

B. it is the connection between the combined seed stores and shared planting records of community gardens and small farms that makes exchanging seeds and growing information possible.

C. the exchange of seeds and growing information is possible through the combined seed stores and shared planting records of community gardens and small farms.

D. community gardens and small farms can exchange seeds and growing information through their combined seed stores and shared planting records.

QUESTION 749 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-071-3

Known as “quiet walls,” layered acoustic panels are lightweight sections filled with fibers and mounted beside busy indoor routes. Absorbing sound before it reaches adjoining rooms, _____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. a recent study’s estimate is that these panels reduce the measured noise level in nearby workspaces by 25 percent.

B. a recent study has estimated that these panels reduce the measured noise level in nearby workspaces by 25 percent.

C. these panels reduce the measured noise level in nearby workspaces by an estimated 25 percent, according to a recent study.

D. an estimated 25 percent reduction in the measured noise level in nearby workspaces is due to these panels, according to a recent study.

QUESTION 750 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-147-3

A community theater officially known as the Willow Stage, _____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. the town’s theater is one of the oldest performance spaces in the region, first opening in 1932.

B. the first opening of one of the oldest performance spaces in the region, the town’s theater, was in 1932.

C. 1932 was the year when the town’s theater, one of the oldest performance spaces in the region, first opened.

D. the oldest performance spaces in the region include one which first opened in 1932, the town’s theater.

QUESTION 751 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-107-3

In discussions of modern illustrated storytelling, Nora Chen's 1998 graphic narrative Between Two Streets holds a prominent place. A coming-of-age story, a visual exploration of urban space, and a reflection on family history, _____ examines the relationship between a young person and a familiar place with memorable precision.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. first presented two years before the district began its major rebuilding program, Nora Chen created a graphic narrative that

B. Nora Chen's graphic narrative, first presented two years before the district began its major rebuilding program,

C. the community changed when the district began its major rebuilding program, two years after the first presentation of Nora Chen's graphic narrative, which

D. Nora Chen created a graphic narrative that, first presented two years before the district began its major rebuilding program,

QUESTION 752 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-119-3

In 2016, researcher Nora Chen oversaw the installation of 56 sediment traps, small chambers designed to collect particles carried by flowing water, in the channels feeding a neighborhood pond. By removing loose material before it enters the pond, _____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. the improvement achieved by the traps has addressed the underlying problems.

B. both the initial problem and its later consequences have been reduced by the traps.

C. the effects produced by the traps have brought about a useful improvement.

D. the traps have reduced both muddy water and the resulting buildup of sediment on the pond floor.

QUESTION 753 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-058-3

In assessing the photographs of documentarian Nora Chen, _____ have overlooked her equally sustained attention to ordinary working spaces.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. the emphasis of many critics has been on documentarian Nora Chen's use of dramatic natural landscapes; they

B. many critics have emphasized documentarian Nora Chen's use of dramatic natural landscapes but

C. there are many critics who have emphasized documentarian Nora Chen's use of dramatic natural landscapes, but they

D. documentarian Nora Chen's use of dramatic natural landscapes have been emphasized by many critics, who

QUESTION 754 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-017-3

Researchers Nora Chen and Leila Marsh have tried to explain why some young birds repeatedly approach illuminated windows. Knowing that the birds usually orient toward open stretches of sky, _____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. the researchers propose that the birds treat reflected sky as a clear route and redirect their flight while moving near the windows.

B. the birds redirect their flight while moving near the windows, the researchers propose, because they treat reflected sky as a clear route.

C. the researchers' proposal is that the birds treat reflected sky as a clear route and redirect their flight while moving near the windows.

D. the birds treat reflected sky as a clear route and redirect their flight while moving near the windows, the researchers propose.

QUESTION 755 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-103-3

The sequence used in the first sound sample is usually a regular rhythm, distinguished by a steady interval between successive pulses. The second sequence, on the other hand, varies the intervals throughout the recording. Defined by an uneven pattern of intervals between pulses, _____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. the regular rhythm differs from the second sequence, which does not maintain the fixed spacing found in the regular rhythm.

B. the regular rhythm has a more regular arrangement than the second sequence.

C. the lack of uniformity in the second sequence explains how its design differs from the regular rhythm.

D. the second sequence does not maintain the fixed spacing found in the regular rhythm.

QUESTION 756 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-088-3

Folded from layered paper and bound by hand using a bookmaking process preserved by the artist's family, _____ so intricate and visually inviting that visitors are tempted to open every hidden section.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. artist Nora Chen is a specialist in paper construction whose sculptural books are

B. when creating sculptural books, artist Nora Chen makes them

C. artist Nora Chen creates sculptural books that are

D. the sculptural books of artist Nora Chen are

QUESTION 757 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-013-3

Supported by measurements of more than 2,000 surviving beams from early public buildings, _____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. short spans and repeated supports were, a 2022 study found, the defining features of early roof structures.

B. early builders were found, in a 2022 study, to have used short spans and repeated supports as the defining features of their roof structures.

C. the key elements of these activities were short spans and repeated supports, according to a 2022 study.

D. findings from a 2022 study suggested that short spans and repeated supports were the defining features of early roof structures.

QUESTION 758 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-047-3

Plots of variations in an instrument’s output, _____ reduced interference at the frequencies most often used for communication.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. the most carefully shielded devices while operating near a competing transmitter have signal diagrams that show

B. signal diagrams show that while operating near a competing transmitter, the most carefully shielded devices have

C. the results from the most carefully shielded devices while operating near a competing transmitter show that the structures have

D. responses from the most carefully shielded devices show that the signal diagrams have

QUESTION 759 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-186-3

In 2007, workshop leader Nora Chen became unable to oversee daily training after an injury that required a lengthy recovery. As a result, the association appointed Leila Marsh, a skilled instructor who had long worked with the group, to coordinate the program. Upon returning three months later, _____ returning Marsh to her earlier role and leading to several changes in the teaching schedule.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. Chen resumed her duties,

B. it was Chen who resumed her duties,

C. Chen’s leadership resumed,

D. the management role of Chen resumed,

QUESTION 760 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-021-4

Voices beyond the Gate is a musical drama staged by several community companies. Based on events that occurred when the city's public performances were controlled by a single office, _____ had once been a singer in the official ensemble but later organized performances in the surrounding villages.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. Tarin, the musician in the story of Voices beyond the Gate,

B. the musician whose story is told in Voices beyond the Gate, Tarin,

C. Voices beyond the Gate tells the story of Tarin, a musician who

D. there was a musician, Tarin, who in Voices beyond the Gate

QUESTION 761 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-002-4

Despite being colorful, durable, and inexpensive to manufacture, _____ they require specialized equipment for recycling, and most retain traces of the original dye.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. two practical limitations are associated with the synthetic display fabrics:

B. there are two practical limitations associated with the synthetic display fabrics:

C. the synthetic display fabrics' two practical limitations are that

D. the synthetic display fabrics have two practical limitations:

QUESTION 762 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-153-4

Forming a network through collaborative lesson planning—that is, a partnership where instructors develop and exchange practical activities—_____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. learning materials and teaching ideas can be exchanged through the joint collections and regularly updated activity lists of evening schools and volunteer teaching groups.

B. it is the connection between the joint collections and regularly updated activity lists of evening schools and volunteer teaching groups that makes exchanging learning materials and teaching ideas possible.

C. the exchange of learning materials and teaching ideas is possible through the joint collections and regularly updated activity lists of evening schools and volunteer teaching groups.

D. evening schools and volunteer teaching groups can exchange learning materials and teaching ideas through their joint collections and regularly updated activity lists.

QUESTION 763 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-071-4

Known as “cool roofs,” reflective roof coatings are thin surface treatments applied to buildings exposed to direct sunlight. Sending part of the incoming light away from the building, _____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. a recent study has estimated that these coatings reduce the amount of heat entering the upper rooms by 30 percent.

B. a recent study’s estimate is that these coatings reduce the amount of heat entering the upper rooms by 30 percent.

C. an estimated 30 percent reduction in the amount of heat entering the upper rooms is due to these coatings, according to a recent study.

D. these coatings reduce the amount of heat entering the upper rooms by an estimated 30 percent, according to a recent study.

QUESTION 764 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-147-4

A craft training center officially known as the Eastmere Workshop, _____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. the first opening of one of the oldest practical teaching institutions in the region, the district’s center, was in 1957.

B. the district’s center is one of the oldest practical teaching institutions in the region, first opening in 1957.

C. the oldest practical teaching institutions in the region include one which first opened in 1957, the district’s center.

D. 1957 was the year when the district’s center, one of the oldest practical teaching institutions in the region, first opened.

QUESTION 765 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-107-4

In discussions of community theater, Dalia Hart's 2005 play The Open Door holds a prominent place. A neighborhood comedy, a study of unexpected friendship, and a quiet argument for shared space, _____ examines the relationship between individual needs and communal life with memorable precision.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. first presented two years before the local public hall reopened, Dalia Hart created a play that

B. Dalia Hart created a play that, first presented two years before the local public hall reopened,

C. the community changed when the local public hall reopened, two years after the first presentation of Dalia Hart's play, which

D. Dalia Hart's play, first presented two years before the local public hall reopened,

QUESTION 766 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-119-4

In 2022, architect Dalia Hart oversaw the installation of 92 flexible joints, small connectors intended to accommodate changes in temperature, in a long covered walkway. By allowing adjoining sections to move slightly, _____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. the effects produced by the joints have brought about a useful improvement.

B. both the initial problem and its later consequences have been reduced by the joints.

C. the joints have limited both structural stress and the resulting damage to the outer panels.

D. the improvement achieved by the joints has addressed the underlying problems.

QUESTION 767 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-058-4

In assessing the compositions of musician Dalia Hart, _____ have overlooked her equally deep engagement with informal street performance.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. the emphasis of many critics has been on musician Dalia Hart's adaptations of established concert forms; they

B. musician Dalia Hart's adaptations of established concert forms have been emphasized by many critics, who

C. many critics have emphasized musician Dalia Hart's adaptations of established concert forms but

D. there are many critics who have emphasized musician Dalia Hart's adaptations of established concert forms, but they

QUESTION 768 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-017-4

Researchers Dalia Naim and Rina Saye have tried to explain why some novice performers speed up during amplified rehearsals. Knowing that players rely partly on the sound of their own movements, _____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. the researchers' proposal is that the performers interpret a short sound delay as slow playing and increase their pace while listening to the amplified signal.

B. the researchers propose that the performers interpret a short sound delay as slow playing and increase their pace while listening to the amplified signal.

C. the performers increase their pace while listening to the amplified signal, the researchers propose, because they interpret a short sound delay as slow playing.

D. the performers interpret a short sound delay as slow playing and increase their pace while listening to the amplified signal, the researchers propose.

QUESTION 769 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-103-4

The surface of the first test panel is usually a smooth layer, distinguished by an even finish with very little variation in height. The second panel, on the other hand, has a rough coating made from grains of different sizes. Defined by an uneven surface containing many small raised areas, _____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. the smooth layer has a more regular arrangement than the second panel.

B. the lack of uniformity in the second panel explains how its design differs from the smooth layer.

C. the smooth layer differs from the second panel, which does not reflect light in the uniform way seen in the smooth layer.

D. the second panel does not reflect light in the uniform way seen in the smooth layer.

QUESTION 770 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-088-4

Built from thin strips of bamboo and tightly woven using a basket-making technique passed down through the maker's community, _____ so light and finely patterned that their complex structure is easy to overlook.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. designer Dalia Hart creates hanging lamps that are

B. when creating hanging lamps, designer Dalia Hart makes them

C. designer Dalia Hart is a contemporary craftsperson whose hanging lamps are

D. the hanging lamps of designer Dalia Hart are

Logical comparisons

QUESTION 771 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-027-1

The Route Directness Index, a measure of how closely a walking path follows the shortest possible line between two points, ranges from zero to one hundred points. Compared with that of a nearly straight route—that is, a route with very few bends—_____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. the Route Directness Index of a highly winding route will be much lower.

B. a highly winding route will have a much lower Route Directness Index.

C. a highly winding route will have a Route Directness Index that is much lower.

D. when the example is a highly winding route, its Route Directness Index will be much lower.

QUESTION 772 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-113-1

Compared with that of the compact layout, _____ the loose layout's components are so widely separated that direct connections require much longer linking pieces.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. the loose layout has a more dispersed spatial arrangement, producing a practical disadvantage:

B. the loose layout's spatial arrangement is more dispersed, producing a practical disadvantage:

C. the loose layout is at a practical disadvantage because its spatial arrangement is more dispersed:

D. a practical disadvantage of the loose layout is that its spatial arrangement is more dispersed:

QUESTION 773 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-027-2

The Collection Variety Score, a measure of the range of subjects represented in a set of books, ranges from zero to fifty points. Compared with that of a broad general collection—that is, a collection covering many different subjects—_____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. a narrowly specialized collection will have a Collection Variety Score that is much lower.

B. the Collection Variety Score of a narrowly specialized collection will be much lower.

C. a narrowly specialized collection will have a much lower Collection Variety Score.

D. when the example is a narrowly specialized collection, its Collection Variety Score will be much lower.

QUESTION 774 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-113-2

Compared with that of traditional woven fabric, _____ the experimental fabric's threads are so unevenly spaced that openings admit particles of several different sizes.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. the experimental fabric's thread arrangement is less regular, producing a practical disadvantage:

B. the experimental fabric has a less regular thread arrangement, producing a practical disadvantage:

C. a practical disadvantage of the experimental fabric is that its thread arrangement is less regular:

D. the experimental fabric is at a practical disadvantage because its thread arrangement is less regular:

QUESTION 775 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-027-3

The Surface Uniformity Rating, a measure of how little the height of a manufactured sheet varies across its area, ranges from zero to ten points. Compared with that of a carefully smoothed sheet—that is, a sheet with very few raised or lowered areas—_____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. when the example is a roughly textured sheet, its Surface Uniformity Rating will be much lower.

B. a roughly textured sheet will have a much lower Surface Uniformity Rating.

C. the Surface Uniformity Rating of a roughly textured sheet will be much lower.

D. a roughly textured sheet will have a Surface Uniformity Rating that is much lower.

QUESTION 776 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-113-3

Compared with that of the standard storage system, _____ the new system's compartments are so shallow that many ordinary tools cannot fit inside them.

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. the new system has a less capacious compartment structure, producing a practical disadvantage:

B. a practical disadvantage of the new system is that its compartment structure is less capacious:

C. the new system is at a practical disadvantage because its compartment structure is less capacious:

D. the new system's compartment structure is less capacious, producing a practical disadvantage:

QUESTION 777 / Hard / Practice ID: GA777-027-4

The Schedule Regularity Score, a measure of the consistency of the interval between successive services, ranges from zero to one hundred points. Compared with that of an evenly spaced service—that is, a service with almost identical waiting times throughout the day—_____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A. an irregular service will have a Schedule Regularity Score that is much lower.

B. an irregular service will have a much lower Schedule Regularity Score.

C. when the example is an irregular service, its Schedule Regularity Score will be much lower.

D. the Schedule Regularity Score of an irregular service will be much lower.

Answer key

Finish the practice questions first. Tap a question number to open its explanation. Each letter refers to the choices in this guide.

01. Subject-Verb Agreement

1 C	2 C	3 A	4 C	5 B	6 D
7 A	8 C	9 C	10 B	11 D	12 A
13 B	14 D	15 D	16 D	17 D	18 B
19 A	20 B	21 C	22 C	23 B	24 D
25 B	26 A	27 D	28 B	29 C	30 C
31 B	32 B	33 A	34 C	35 A	36 B
37 C	38 D	39 C	40 D	41 A	42 B
43 A	44 C	45 B	46 B	47 B	48 D
49 C	50 D	51 D	52 A	53 A	54 A
55 A	56 C	57 A	58 D	59 C	60 B
61 A	62 D	63 B	64 B	65 C	66 B
67 B	68 D	69 B	70 A	71 D	72 D
73 A	74 A	75 C	76 C	77 B	78 C
79 B	80 C	81 A	82 D	83 D	84 A
85 B	86 B	87 A	88 C	89 C	90 B
91 A	92 C	93 A	94 B	95 A	96 D
97 D	98 C	99 B	100 C	101 D	102 A
103 B	104 D	105 C	106 D	107 D	108 C
109 B	110 A	111 B	112 A	113 C	114 C
115 B	116 D	117 C	118 C	119 C	120 C
121 A	122 B	123 B	124 A	125 D	126 C
127 A	128 C	129 D	130 D	131 B	132 C
133 D	134 D	135 B	136 C	137 B	138 D
139 C	140 B	141 A	142 D	143 B	144 A
145 C	146 A	147 C	148 A	149 B	150 C
151 B	152 D	153 C	154 D	155 C	156 A
157 C	158 D	159 C	160 A	161 A	162 D
163 A	164 C	165 D	166 B	167 C	168 C
169 D	170 D	171 B	172 B	173 C	174 A
175 B	176 A	177 C	178 B	179 C	180 C
181 C	182 D	183 C	184 C	185 C	186 B
187 B	188 A	189 B	190 B	191 A	192 C
193 C	194 B	195 B	196 C	197 A	198 A
199 A	200 C	201 B	202 A		

02. Verb Tenses

203 B	**204** B	**205** D	**206** B	**207** C	**208** A
209 D	**210** C	**211** B	**212** B	**213** C	**214** C
215 B	**216** D	**217** C	**218** A	**219** D	**220** D
221 D	**222** B	**223** C	**224** A	**225** C	**226** B
227 D	**228** D	**229** A	**230** D	**231** C	**232** C
233 A	**234** C	**235** A	**236** B	**237** D	**238** C
239 C	**240** A	**241** B	**242** D	**243** A	**244** D
245 A	**246** C	**247** D	**248** B	**249** A	**250** D
251 C	**252** B	**253** B	**254** B	**255** D	**256** B
257 C	**258** A	**259** C	**260** A	**261** A	**262** B
263 A	**264** A	**265** B	**266** B	**267** D	**268** C
269 B	**270** D	**271** A	**272** A	**273** D	**274** B
275 D	**276** A	**277** C	**278** B	**279** A	**280** A
281 D	**282** A	**283** B	**284** A	**285** D	**286** A
287 A	**288** D	**289** A	**290** B	**291** A	**292** A
293 C	**294** B	**295** C	**296** D	**297** D	**298** D
299 A	**300** C	**301** D	**302** C	**303** C	**304** D
305 C	**306** D	**307** B	**308** D	**309** A	**310** C
311 D	**312** D	**313** D	**314** A	**315** D	**316** A
317 C	**318** B				

03. Complete Verbs & Parallel Actions

319 D	**320** D	**321** B	**322** A	**323** D	**324** C
325 A	**326** A	**327** B	**328** B	**329** A	**330** B
331 B	**332** D	**333** C	**334** B	**335** B	**336** B
337 D	**338** B	**339** D	**340** D	**341** A	**342** D
343 B	**344** A	**345** B	**346** C	**347** B	**348** A
349 B	**350** A	**351** A	**352** A	**353** A	**354** D
355 C	**356** B	**357** D	**358** A	**359** C	**360** A
361 B	**362** B	**363** B	**364** C	**365** A	**366** A
367 B	**368** C	**369** D	**370** D	**371** D	**372** D
373 B	**374** D	**375** C	**376** C	**377** D	**378** B
379 A	**380** C	**381** C	**382** B	**383** D	**384** B
385 C	**386** B	**387** B	**388** A	**389** B	**390** D
391 A	**392** A	**393** D	**394** D	**395** A	**396** C
397 B	**398** B	**399** D	**400** D	**401** B	**402** A
403 B	**404** C				

04. Describing Verb Forms & Infinitives

405 D	**406** B	**407** C	**408** B	**409** A	**410** A
411 B	**412** D	**413** C	**414** B	**415** B	**416** C
417 C	**418** A	**419** A	**420** A	**421** B	**422** A
423 D	**424** D	**425** D	**426** D	**427** D	**428** D
429 B	**430** D	**431** D	**432** C	**433** D	**434** B
435 A	**436** C	**437** C	**438** C	**439** B	**440** A
441 B	**442** D	**443** D	**444** A	**445** B	**446** A
447 C	**448** D	**449** A	**450** A	**451** D	**452** B
453 A	**454** C	**455** D	**456** C	**457** C	**458** C
459 D	**460** A	**461** B	**462** A	**463** D	**464** C
465 B	**466** A	**467** B	**468** D	**469** B	**470** B
471 D	**472** D	**473** D	**474** B	**475** B	**476** A
477 A	**478** C	**479** C	**480** C	**481** B	**482** C
483 C	**484** A	**485** D	**486** C	**487** C	**488** C
489 C	**490** A	**491** B	**492** B	**493** A	**494** D
495 C	**496** C	**497** B	**498** B	**499** C	**500** A
501 D	**502** A	**503** D	**504** A	**505** B	**506** D
507 A	**508** C				

05. Pronouns & Matching Reference Words

509 D	**510** A	**511** C	**512** B	**513** B	**514** D
515 B	**516** C	**517** B	**518** C	**519** B	**520** C
521 C	**522** C	**523** D	**524** B	**525** A	**526** A
527 C	**528** B	**529** C	**530** C	**531** D	**532** D
533 C	**534** C	**535** D	**536** D	**537** A	**538** A
539 A	**540** C	**541** C	**542** A	**543** B	**544** C
545 C	**546** B	**547** A	**548** C	**549** A	**550** D
551 B	**552** C	**553** A	**554** A	**555** C	**556** B
557 A	**558** C	**559** C	**560** B	**561** D	**562** C
563 D	**564** D	**565** D	**566** C	**567** D	**568** A
569 B	**570** D	**571** D	**572** A	**573** A	**574** B
575 B	**576** D	**577** D	**578** A	**579** D	**580** D
581 D	**582** B	**583** C	**584** A	**585** A	**586** D
587 A	**588** B	**589** B	**590** B	**591** A	**592** D
593 C	**594** A	**595** B	**596** D	**597** B	**598** C
599 B	**600** A	**601** B	**602** A	**603** B	**604** B
605 C					

06. Plurals, Possessives & Apostrophes

606 A	**607** B	**608** A	**609** B	**610** A	**611** A
612 B	**613** B	**614** C	**615** B	**616** B	**617** A
618 D	**619** B	**620** D	**621** A	**622** C	**623** B
624 C	**625** B	**626** A	**627** A	**628** A	**629** A
630 D	**631** C	**632** C	**633** B	**634** D	**635** B
636 D	**637** D	**638** D	**639** D	**640** C	**641** A
642 B	**643** B	**644** D	**645** B	**646** D	**647** D
648 C	**649** A	**650** B	**651** B	**652** C	**653** D
654 C	**655** C	**656** D	**657** B	**658** A	**659** A
660 D	**661** A	**662** A	**663** C	**664** C	**665** D
666 B	**667** D	**668** C	**669** A	**670** C	**671** A
672 A	**673** A	**674** C	**675** C	**676** B	**677** D
678 B	**679** B	**680** A			

07. Modifiers & Logical Comparisons

681 D	**682** A	**683** A	**684** C	**685** A	**686** B
687 A	**688** C	**689** D	**690** D	**691** A	**692** B
693 B	**694** C	**695** C	**696** A	**697** D	**698** B
699 A	**700** D	**701** C	**702** C	**703** A	**704** D
705 A	**706** D	**707** D	**708** D	**709** C	**710** C
711 C	**712** A	**713** C	**714** A	**715** A	**716** A
717 A	**718** D	**719** A	**720** C	**721** D	**722** D
723 C	**724** A	**725** D	**726** B	**727** A	**728** B
729 C	**730** B	**731** A	**732** D	**733** D	**734** A
735 A	**736** C	**737** B	**738** A	**739** D	**740** D
741 C	**742** C	**743** C	**744** C	**745** A	**746** A
747 C	**748** D	**749** C	**750** A	**751** B	**752** D
753 B	**754** A	**755** D	**756** D	**757** D	**758** B
759 A	**760** C	**761** D	**762** D	**763** D	**764** B
765 D	**766** C	**767** C	**768** B	**769** D	**770** D
771 A	**772** B	**773** B	**774** A	**775** C	**776** D
777 D					

Understand every choice

Read the reasoning even when your answer is right. A strong answer has a grammar rule and a clue from the sentence. The wrong choices help you see the trap.

01. Subject-Verb Agreement

QUESTION 1 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: is

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "historical account." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "is." The account or narrative is one thing, even though several recordings carry it. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "are being" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "historical account."

B. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "historical account."

D. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "historical account."

Back to question 1 | Practice ID: GA777-007-1

QUESTION 2 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: was

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "Nadia Rahal." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "was." Two job titles describe the same person. They do not turn the subject into two people. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Nadia Rahal."

B. "were" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Nadia Rahal."

D. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Nadia Rahal."

Back to question 2 | Practice ID: GA777-039-1

QUESTION 3 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: was

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "Mara Selim." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "was." One named advocate is the subject. The other organizers appear in a separate sentence. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

B. "were" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Mara Selim."

C. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Mara Selim."

D. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Mara Selim."

Back to question 3 | Practice ID: GA777-149-1

QUESTION 4 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: guides

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "she." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "guides." The subject she refers to one person. The other action after and is also singular. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "are guiding" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "she."

B. "guide" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "she."

D. "were guiding" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "she."

Back to question 4 | Practice ID: GA777-051-1

QUESTION 5 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: perform

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "curators." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "perform." The phrase beginning with of tells which people are meant. It does not replace the plural subject. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "has performed" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "curators."

C. "is performing" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "curators."

D. "performs" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "curators."

Back to question 5 | Practice ID: GA777-035-1

QUESTION 6 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: stands

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "installation." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "stands." The new sentence has one structure as its subject. Plural people or materials in the earlier sentences do not control this verb. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "were standing" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "installation."

B. "have been standing" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "installation."

C. "are standing" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "installation."

Back to question 6 | Practice ID: GA777-140-1

QUESTION 7 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: is

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "frame zither." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "is." The instrument is singular. The strings, patterns, or other plural details in its description do not change that. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

B. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "frame zither."

C. "were" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "frame zither."

D. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "frame zither."

Back to question 7 | Practice ID: GA777-033-1

QUESTION 8 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: investigates

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "Leila Chen." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "investigates." The institutional phrase is extra information between commas. The subject is one researcher. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "are investigating" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Leila Chen."

B. "investigate" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Leila Chen."

D. "have investigated" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Leila Chen."

Back to question 8 | Practice ID: GA777-130-1

QUESTION 9 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: depicts

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "diagram." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "depicts." The subject names one diagram, model, sketch, or map. The other verbs in the list are also singular. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "are depicting" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "diagram."

B. "have depicted" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "diagram."

D. "depict" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "diagram."

Back to question 9 | Practice ID: GA777-206-1

QUESTION 10 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: were

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "Structures." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "were." The list supplies examples. Even if the final example is singular, the main subject remains plural. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "was" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "Structures."

C. "is" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "Structures."

D. "has been" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "Structures."

Back to question 10 | Practice ID: GA777-055-1

QUESTION 11 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: has been

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "work." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "has been." Work is treated as one body of creative activity. The people or projects mentioned elsewhere are not the subject of the blank. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "work."

B. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "work."

C. "were" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "work."

Back to question 11 | Practice ID: GA777-108-1

QUESTION 12 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: is

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "village." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "is." The phrase beginning with of names or identifies one place. The plural noun after one of does not control the earlier verb. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

B. "are being" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "village."

C. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "village."

D. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "village."

Back to question 12 | Practice ID: GA777-076-1

QUESTION 13 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: were

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "port councils." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "were." The unfamiliar term names several groups. The plural definition following the blank confirms the needed number. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "has been" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "port councils."

C. "is" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "port councils."

D. "was" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "port councils."

Back to question 13 | Practice ID: GA777-182-1

QUESTION 14 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: remains

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "planning model." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "remains." The new sentence refers to one model, system, scale, or framework. The earlier description may contain plural nouns, but they are not this subject. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "are remaining" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "planning model."

B. "have remained" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "planning model."

C. "remain" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "planning model."

Back to question 14 | Practice ID: GA777-167-1

QUESTION 15 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: is

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "central narrative." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "is." The account or narrative is one thing, even though several recordings carry it. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "central narrative."

B. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "central narrative."

C. "are being" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "central narrative."

Back to question 15 | Practice ID: GA777-007-2

QUESTION 16 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: was

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "Elias Moreno." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "was." Two job titles describe the same person. They do not turn the subject into two people. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Elias Moreno."

B. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Elias Moreno."

C. "were" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Elias Moreno."

Back to question 16 | Practice ID: GA777-039-2

QUESTION 17 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: was

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "Nadia Vale." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "was." One named advocate is the subject. The other organizers appear in a separate sentence. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Nadia Vale."

B. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Nadia Vale."

C. "were" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Nadia Vale."

Back to question 17 | Practice ID: GA777-149-2

QUESTION 18 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: guides

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "she." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "guides." The subject she refers to one person. The other action after and is also singular. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "were guiding" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "she."

C. "guide" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "she."

D. "are guiding" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "she."

Back to question 18 | Practice ID: GA777-051-2

QUESTION 19 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: perform

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "editors." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "perform." The phrase beginning with of tells which people are meant. It does not replace the plural subject. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

B. "has performed" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "editors."

C. "is performing" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "editors."

D. "performs" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "editors."

Back to question 19 | Practice ID: GA777-035-2

QUESTION 20 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: stands

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "monument." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "stands." The new sentence has one structure as its subject. Plural people or materials in the earlier sentences do not control this verb. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "were standing" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "monument."

C. "are standing" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "monument."

D. "have been standing" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "monument."

Back to question 20 | Practice ID: GA777-140-2

QUESTION 21 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: is

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "bowl lyre." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "is." The instrument is singular. The strings, patterns, or other plural details in its description do not change that. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "were" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "bowl lyre."

B. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "bowl lyre."

D. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "bowl lyre."

Back to question 21 | Practice ID: GA777-033-2

QUESTION 22 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: investigates

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "Mira Rafi." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "investigates." The institutional phrase is extra information between commas. The subject is one researcher. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "have investigated" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Mira Rafi."

B. "are investigating" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Mira Rafi."

D. "investigate" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Mira Rafi."

Back to question 22 | Practice ID: GA777-130-2

QUESTION 23 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: depicts

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "model." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "depicts." The subject names one diagram, model, sketch, or map. The other verbs in the list are also singular. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "depict" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "model."

C. "are depicting" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "model."

D. "have depicted" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "model."

Back to question 23 | Practice ID: GA777-206-2

QUESTION 24 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: were

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "Products." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "were." The list supplies examples. Even if the final example is singular, the main subject remains plural. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "is" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "Products."

B. "was" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "Products."

C. "has been" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "Products."

Back to question 24 | Practice ID: GA777-055-2

QUESTION 25 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: has been

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "work." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "has been." Work is treated as one body of creative activity. The people or projects mentioned elsewhere are not the subject of the blank. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "were" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "work."

C. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "work."

D. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "work."

Back to question 25 | Practice ID: GA777-108-2

QUESTION 26 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: is

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "observatory." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "is." The phrase beginning with of names or identifies one place. The plural noun after one of does not control the earlier verb. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

B. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "observatory."

C. "are being" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "observatory."

D. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "observatory."

Back to question 26 | Practice ID: GA777-076-2

QUESTION 27 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: were

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "assemblies." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "were." The unfamiliar term names several groups. The plural definition following the blank confirms the needed number. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "was" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "assemblies."

B. "is" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "assemblies."

C. "has been" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "assemblies."

Back to question 27 | Practice ID: GA777-182-2

QUESTION 28 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: remains

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "classification system." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "remains." The new sentence refers to one model, system, scale, or framework. The earlier description may contain plural nouns, but they are not this subject. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "remain" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "classification system."

C. "have remained" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "classification system."

D. "are remaining" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "classification system."

Back to question 28 | Practice ID: GA777-167-2

QUESTION 29 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: is

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "exhibition commentary." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "is." The account or narrative is one thing, even though several recordings carry it. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "are being" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "exhibition commentary."

B. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "exhibition commentary."

D. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "exhibition commentary."

Back to question 29 | Practice ID: GA777-007-3

QUESTION 30 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: was

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "Mina Calder." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "was." Two job titles describe the same person. They do not turn the subject into two people. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "were" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Mina Calder."

B. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Mina Calder."

D. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Mina Calder."

Back to question 30 | Practice ID: GA777-039-3

QUESTION 31 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: was

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "Lina Rafi." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "was." One named advocate is the subject. The other organizers appear in a separate sentence. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "were" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Lina Rafi."

C. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Lina Rafi."

D. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Lina Rafi."

Back to question 31 | Practice ID: GA777-149-3

QUESTION 32 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: guides

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "she." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "guides." The subject she refers to one person. The other action after and is also singular. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "were guiding" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "she."

C. "are guiding" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "she."

D. "guide" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "she."

Back to question 32 | Practice ID: GA777-051-3

QUESTION 33 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: perform

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "volunteers." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "perform." The phrase beginning with of tells which people are meant. It does not replace the plural subject. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

B. "is performing" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "volunteers."

C. "has performed" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "volunteers."

D. "performs" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "volunteers."

Back to question 33 | Practice ID: GA777-035-3

QUESTION 34 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: stands

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "sculpture." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "stands." The new sentence has one structure as its subject. Plural people or materials in the earlier sentences do not control this verb. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "are standing" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "sculpture."

B. "were standing" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "sculpture."

D. "have been standing" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "sculpture."

Back to question 34 | Practice ID: GA777-140-3

QUESTION 35 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: is

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "reed organ." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "is." The instrument is singular. The strings, patterns, or other plural details in its description do not change that. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

B. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "reed organ."

C. "were" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "reed organ."

D. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "reed organ."

Back to question 35 | Practice ID: GA777-033-3

QUESTION 36 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: investigates

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "Nina Marsh." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "investigates." The institutional phrase is extra information between commas. The subject is one researcher. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "have investigated" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Nina Marsh."

C. "investigate" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Nina Marsh."

D. "are investigating" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Nina Marsh."

Back to question 36 | Practice ID: GA777-130-3

QUESTION 37 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: depicts

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "sketch." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "depicts." The subject names one diagram, model, sketch, or map. The other verbs in the list are also singular. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "are depicting" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "sketch."

B. "depict" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "sketch."

D. "have depicted" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "sketch."

Back to question 37 | Practice ID: GA777-206-3

QUESTION 38 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: were

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "Spaces." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "were." The list supplies examples. Even if the final example is singular, the main subject remains plural. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "has been" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "Spaces."

B. "was" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "Spaces."

C. "is" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "Spaces."

Back to question 38 | Practice ID: GA777-055-3

QUESTION 39 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: has been

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "work." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "has been." Work is treated as one body of creative activity. The people or projects mentioned elsewhere are not the subject of the blank. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "work."

B. "were" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "work."

D. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "work."

Back to question 39 | Practice ID: GA777-108-3

QUESTION 40 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: is

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "island." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "is." The phrase beginning with of names or identifies one place. The plural noun after one of does not control the earlier verb. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "are being" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "island."

B. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "island."

C. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "island."

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QUESTION 41 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: were

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "consortia." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "were." The unfamiliar term names several groups. The plural definition following the blank confirms the needed number. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

B. "was" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "consortia."

C. "is" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "consortia."

D. "has been" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "consortia."

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QUESTION 42 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: remains

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "measurement scale." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "remains." The new sentence refers to one model, system, scale, or framework. The earlier description may contain plural nouns, but they are not this subject. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "remain" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "measurement scale."

C. "are remaining" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "measurement scale."

D. "have remained" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "measurement scale."

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QUESTION 43 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: is

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "visitor introduction." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "is." The account or narrative is one thing, even though several recordings carry it. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

B. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "visitor introduction."

C. "are being" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "visitor introduction."

D. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "visitor introduction."

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QUESTION 44 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: guides

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "she." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "guides." The subject she refers to one person. The other action after and is also singular. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "guide" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "she."

B. "are guiding" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "she."

D. "were guiding" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "she."

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QUESTION 45 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: perform

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "technicians." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "perform." The phrase beginning with of tells which people are meant. It does not replace the plural subject. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "has performed" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "technicians."

C. "performs" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "technicians."

D. "is performing" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "technicians."

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QUESTION 46 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: stands

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "memorial." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "stands." The new sentence has one structure as its subject. Plural people or materials in the earlier sentences do not control this verb. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "were standing" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "memorial."

C. "are standing" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "memorial."

D. "have been standing" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "memorial."

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QUESTION 47 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: investigates

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "Tara Vale." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "investigates." The institutional phrase is extra information between commas. The subject is one researcher. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "have investigated" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Tara Vale."

C. "investigate" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Tara Vale."

D. "are investigating" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Tara Vale."

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QUESTION 48 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: depicts

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "map." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "depicts." The subject names one diagram, model, sketch, or map. The other verbs in the list are also singular. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "are depicting" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "map."

B. "have depicted" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "map."

C. "depict" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "map."

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QUESTION 49 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: were

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "Instruments." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "were." The list supplies examples. Even if the final example is singular, the main subject remains plural. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "is" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "Instruments."

B. "has been" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "Instruments."

D. "was" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "Instruments."

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QUESTION 50 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: has been

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "work." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "has been." Work is treated as one body of creative activity. The people or projects mentioned elsewhere are not the subject of the blank. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "work."

B. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "work."

C. "were" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "work."

Back to question 50 | Practice ID: GA777-108-4

QUESTION 51 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: is

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "library." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "is." The phrase beginning with of names or identifies one place. The plural noun after one of does not control the earlier verb. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "are being" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "library."

B. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "library."

C. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "library."

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QUESTION 52 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: remains

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "analytical framework." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "remains." The new sentence refers to one model, system, scale, or framework. The earlier description may contain plural nouns, but they are not this subject. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

B. "are remaining" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "analytical framework."

C. "have remained" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "analytical framework."

D. "remain" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "analytical framework."

Back to question 52 | Practice ID: GA777-167-4

QUESTION 53 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: suggests

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "repetition." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "suggests." The grammatical subject is the singular act of repetition, use, arrangement, or placement, not the plural items involved. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

B. "have suggested" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "repetition."

C. "are suggesting" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "repetition."

D. "suggest" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "repetition."

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QUESTION 54 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: were

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "agreements." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "were." The which-clause explains the plural subject but does not change its number. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

B. "was" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "agreements."

C. "is" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "agreements."

D. "has been" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "agreements."

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QUESTION 55 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: has joined

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "sculpture." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "has joined." The main subject is one artwork. Names at the beginning and plural works inside the dash section do not change that number. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

B. "have joined" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "sculpture."

C. "join" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "sculpture."

D. "were joining" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "sculpture."

Back to question 55 | Practice ID: GA777-200-1

QUESTION 56 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: vary

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "openings." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "vary." The phrase between commas renames the plural subject. It does not turn that subject into a singular one. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "has varied" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "openings."

B. "is varying" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "openings."

D. "varies" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "openings."

Back to question 56 | Practice ID: GA777-180-1

QUESTION 57 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: takes

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "cycle." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "takes." The head noun is one cycle, sequence, round, or series. The plural steps or operations after of do not control the verb. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

B. "have taken" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "cycle."

C. "are taking" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "cycle."

D. "take" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "cycle."

Back to question 57 | Practice ID: GA777-199-1

QUESTION 58 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: enable

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "vibration-based instruments." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "enable." The tools or instruments form the subject of this new sentence. The single inventor in the earlier sentences does not control the verb. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "has enabled" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "vibration-based instruments."

B. "enables" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "vibration-based instruments."

C. "is enabling" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "vibration-based instruments."

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QUESTION 59 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: is,

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "Proto-Maren language." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "is,." The subject names one proposed language or dialect. The plural descendants mentioned in the middle do not control the verb. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "are," is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Proto-Maren language."

B. "were," is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Proto-Maren language."

D. "have been," is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Proto-Maren language."

Back to question 59 | Practice ID: GA777-132-1

QUESTION 60 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: supports

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "an automated greenhouse." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "supports." The long descriptions can hide the singular subject. Find the one system that performs the main action. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "have supported" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "an automated greenhouse."

C. "are supporting" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "an automated greenhouse."

D. "support" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "an automated greenhouse."

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QUESTION 61 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: is

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "rectangle." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "is." The verb describes one shape. The plural works, colors, and other shapes elsewhere in the sentence do not control it. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

B. "were" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "rectangle."

C. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "rectangle."

D. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "rectangle."

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QUESTION 62 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: suggests

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "use." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "suggests." The grammatical subject is the singular act of repetition, use, arrangement, or placement, not the plural items involved. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "suggest" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "use."

B. "are suggesting" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "use."

C. "have suggested" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "use."

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QUESTION 63 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: were

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "standards." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "were." The which-clause explains the plural subject but does not change its number. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "is" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "standards."

C. "has been" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "standards."

D. "was" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "standards."

Back to question 63 | Practice ID: GA777-125-2

QUESTION 64 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: has joined

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "painting." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "has joined." The main subject is one artwork. Names at the beginning and plural works inside the dash section do not change that number. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "were joining" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "painting."

C. "join" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "painting."

D. "have joined" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "painting."

Back to question 64 | Practice ID: GA777-200-2

QUESTION 65 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: vary

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "patterns." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "vary." The phrase between commas renames the plural subject. It does not turn that subject into a singular one. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "has varied" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "patterns."

B. "varies" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "patterns."

D. "is varying" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "patterns."

Back to question 65 | Practice ID: GA777-180-2

QUESTION 66 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: takes

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "sequence." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "takes." The head noun is one cycle, sequence, round, or series. The plural steps or operations after of do not control the verb. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "take" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "sequence."

C. "are taking" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "sequence."

D. "have taken" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "sequence."

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QUESTION 67 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: enable

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "sound-guided tools." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "enable." The tools or instruments form the subject of this new sentence. The single inventor in the earlier sentences does not control the verb. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "enables" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "sound-guided tools."

C. "has enabled" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "sound-guided tools."

D. "is enabling" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "sound-guided tools."

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QUESTION 68 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: is,

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "Early Vey dialect." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "is,." The subject names one proposed language or dialect. The plural descendants mentioned in the middle do not control the verb. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "were," is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Early Vey dialect."

B. "have been," is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Early Vey dialect."

C. "are," is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Early Vey dialect."

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QUESTION 69 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: supports

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "an adaptive library." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "supports." The long descriptions can hide the singular subject. Find the one system that performs the main action. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "support" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "an adaptive library."

C. "have supported" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "an adaptive library."

D. "are supporting" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "an adaptive library."

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QUESTION 70 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: is

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "thin crescent." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "is." The verb describes one shape. The plural works, colors, and other shapes elsewhere in the sentence do not control it. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

B. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "thin crescent."

C. "were" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "thin crescent."

D. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "thin crescent."

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QUESTION 71 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: suggests

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "arrangement." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "suggests." The grammatical subject is the singular act of repetition, use, arrangement, or placement, not the plural items involved. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "have suggested" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "arrangement."

B. "suggest" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "arrangement."

C. "are suggesting" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "arrangement."

Back to question 71 | Practice ID: GA777-157-3

QUESTION 72 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: were

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "resolutions." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "were." The which-clause explains the plural subject but does not change its number. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "was" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "resolutions."

B. "has been" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "resolutions."

C. "is" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "resolutions."

Back to question 72 | Practice ID: GA777-125-3

QUESTION 73 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: has joined

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "installation." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "has joined." The main subject is one artwork. Names at the beginning and plural works inside the dash section do not change that number. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

B. "join" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "installation."

C. "were joining" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "installation."

D. "have joined" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "installation."

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QUESTION 74 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: vary

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "signals." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "vary." The phrase between commas renames the plural subject. It does not turn that subject into a singular one. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

B. "is varying" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "signals."

C. "has varied" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "signals."

D. "varies" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "signals."

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QUESTION 75 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: takes

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "round." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "takes." The head noun is one cycle, sequence, round, or series. The plural steps or operations after of do not control the verb. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "have taken" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "round."

B. "take" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "round."

D. "are taking" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "round."

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QUESTION 76 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: enable

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "texture-coded maps." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "enable." The tools or instruments form the subject of this new sentence. The single inventor in the earlier sentences does not control the verb. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "enables" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "texture-coded maps."

B. "has enabled" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "texture-coded maps."

D. "is enabling" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "texture-coded maps."

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QUESTION 77 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: is,

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "Proto-Orlen language." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "is,." The subject names one proposed language or dialect. The plural descendants mentioned in the middle do not control the verb. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "are," is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Proto-Orlen language."

C. "were," is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Proto-Orlen language."

D. "have been," is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Proto-Orlen language."

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QUESTION 78 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: supports

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "an artificial reef." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "supports." The long descriptions can hide the singular subject. Find the one system that performs the main action. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "have supported" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "an artificial reef."

B. "are supporting" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "an artificial reef."

D. "support" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "an artificial reef."

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QUESTION 79 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: is

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "circle." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "is." The verb describes one shape. The plural works, colors, and other shapes elsewhere in the sentence do not control it. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "circle."

C. "were" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "circle."

D. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "circle."

Back to question 79 | Practice ID: GA777-145-3

QUESTION 80 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: suggests

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "placement." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "suggests." The grammatical subject is the singular act of repetition, use, arrangement, or placement, not the plural items involved. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "suggest" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "placement."

B. "have suggested" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "placement."

D. "are suggesting" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "placement."

Back to question 80 | Practice ID: GA777-157-4

QUESTION 81 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: were

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "proposals." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "were." The which-clause explains the plural subject but does not change its number. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

B. "was" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "proposals."

C. "has been" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "proposals."

D. "is" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "proposals."

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QUESTION 82 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: vary

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "phrases." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "vary." The phrase between commas renames the plural subject. It does not turn that subject into a singular one. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "is varying" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "phrases."

B. "varies" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "phrases."

C. "has varied" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "phrases."

Back to question 82 | Practice ID: GA777-180-4

QUESTION 83 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: enable

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "motion-tracking devices." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "enable." The tools or instruments form the subject of this new sentence. The single inventor in the earlier sentences does not control the verb. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "enables" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "motion-tracking devices."

B. "has enabled" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "motion-tracking devices."

C. "is enabling" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "motion-tracking devices."

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QUESTION 84 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: is,

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "Ancient Sera dialect." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "is,." The subject names one proposed language or dialect. The plural descendants mentioned in the middle do not control the verb. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

B. "have been," is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Ancient Sera dialect."

C. "were," is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Ancient Sera dialect."

D. "are," is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Ancient Sera dialect."

Back to question 84 | Practice ID: GA777-132-4

QUESTION 85 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: supports

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "an acoustic barrier." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "supports." The long descriptions can hide the singular subject. Find the one system that performs the main action. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "are supporting" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "an acoustic barrier."

C. "have supported" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "an acoustic barrier."

D. "support" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "an acoustic barrier."

Back to question 85 | Practice ID: GA777-059-4

QUESTION 86 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: is

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "triangle." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "is." The verb describes one shape. The plural works, colors, and other shapes elsewhere in the sentence do not control it. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "triangle."

C. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "triangle."

D. "were" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "triangle."

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QUESTION 87 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: identifies

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "analysis." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "identifies." The two researchers share one analysis or assessment. Their names do not make that singular head noun plural. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

B. "have identified" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "analysis."

C. "identify" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "analysis."

D. "are identifying" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "analysis."

Back to question 87 | Practice ID: GA777-085-1

QUESTION 88 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: motivates

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "question." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "motivates." The whole long subject begins with one question. The words describing its two parts do not make the main noun plural. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "have motivated" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "question."

B. "motivate" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "question."

D. "motivating" by itself is not a complete verb. It leaves the main statement unfinished.

Back to question 88 | Practice ID: GA777-160-1

QUESTION 89 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: supports

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "discovery." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "supports." The subject is the discovery, detection, recovery, or identification itself. The plural objects after of are a distraction. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "have supported" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "discovery."

B. "support" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "discovery."

D. "are supporting" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "discovery."

Back to question 89 | Practice ID: GA777-020-1

QUESTION 90 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: is

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "outline." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "is." The singular outline, shape, pattern, or curvature is the subject. The plural objects in the opening description and the comparison are distractions. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "were" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "outline."

C. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "outline."

D. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "outline."

Back to question 90 | Practice ID: GA777-184-1

QUESTION 91 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: engage

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "reflections." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "engage." Reflections, observations, meditations, and recollections are plural. The singular book mentioned earlier is not the subject of this verb. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

B. "has engaged" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "reflections."

C. "engages" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "reflections."

D. "is engaging" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "reflections."

Back to question 91 | Practice ID: GA777-036-1

QUESTION 92 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: demonstrate

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "accomplishments." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "demonstrate." One person may have many accomplishments or contributions. Match the verb to that plural head noun, not to the person named after of. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "is demonstrating" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "accomplishments."

B. "has demonstrated" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "accomplishments."

D. "demonstrates" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "accomplishments."

Back to question 92 | Practice ID: GA777-168-1

QUESTION 93 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: explore

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "installations." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "explore." The material list is only a description. The subject is the collection of installations, assemblages, pieces, or constructions. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

B. "exploring" by itself is not a complete verb. It leaves the main statement unfinished.

C. "explores" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "installations."

D. "has explored" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "installations."

Back to question 93 | Practice ID: GA777-126-1

QUESTION 94 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: encourages

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "Coastal Manuscript Exchange." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "encourages." This is one named event. The many gatherings, meetings, conferences, or events in the interruption do not control the verb. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "encourage" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Coastal Manuscript Exchange."

C. "have encouraged" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Coastal Manuscript Exchange."

D. "are encouraging" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Coastal Manuscript Exchange."

Back to question 94 | Practice ID: GA777-074-1

QUESTION 95 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: is

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "Mina Hale." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "is." The phrase in collaboration with adds other people without joining them to the subject with and. The main subject is still one researcher. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

B. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Mina Hale."

C. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Mina Hale."

D. "are being" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Mina Hale."

Back to question 95 | Practice ID: GA777-112-1

QUESTION 96 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: influence

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "social traditions." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "influence." The long description about what a community has inherited sits between the plural subject and its verb. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "influences" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "social traditions."

B. "is influencing" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "social traditions."

C. "has influenced" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "social traditions."

Back to question 96 | Practice ID: GA777-018-1

QUESTION 97 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: increase

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "signals." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "increase." The plural signals, markings, chemicals, or vibrations do the increasing. The animal or plant inside the intervening description is not the subject. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "is increasing" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "signals."

B. "has increased" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "signals."

C. "increases" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "signals."

Back to question 97 | Practice ID: GA777-197-1

QUESTION 98 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: was

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "survey." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "was." Everything after of describes the one survey, inventory, analysis, or assessment. Do not match the verb to the many items inside that description. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "survey."

B. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "survey."

D. "were" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "survey."

Back to question 98 | Practice ID: GA777-041-1

QUESTION 99 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: aren't

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "creative interests." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "aren't." The subject is the plural set of interests, abilities, accomplishments, or achievements. The person named after of does not control the verb. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "wasn't" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "creative interests."

C. "hasn't been" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "creative interests."

D. "isn't" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "creative interests."

Back to question 99 | Practice ID: GA777-045-1

QUESTION 100 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: identifies

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "comparison." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "identifies." The two researchers share one analysis or assessment. Their names do not make that singular head noun plural. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "have identified" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "comparison."

B. "are identifying" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "comparison."

D. "identify" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "comparison."

Back to question 100 | Practice ID: GA777-085-2

QUESTION 101 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: motivates

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "question." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "motivates." The whole long subject begins with one question. The words describing its two parts do not make the main noun plural. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "have motivated" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "question."

B. "motivating" by itself is not a complete verb. It leaves the main statement unfinished.

C. "motivate" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "question."

Back to question 101 | Practice ID: GA777-160-2

QUESTION 102 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: supports

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "detection." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "supports." The subject is the discovery, detection, recovery, or identification itself. The plural objects after of are a distraction. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

B. "are supporting" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "detection."

C. "have supported" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "detection."

D. "support" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "detection."

Back to question 102 | Practice ID: GA777-020-2

QUESTION 103 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: is

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "shape." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "is." The singular outline, shape, pattern, or curvature is the subject. The plural objects in the opening description and the comparison are distractions. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "were" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "shape."

C. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "shape."

D. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "shape."

Back to question 103 | Practice ID: GA777-184-2

QUESTION 104 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: engage

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "observations." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "engage." Reflections, observations, meditations, and recollections are plural. The singular book mentioned earlier is not the subject of this verb. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "has engaged" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "observations."

B. "is engaging" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "observations."

C. "engages" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "observations."

Back to question 104 | Practice ID: GA777-036-2

QUESTION 105 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: demonstrate

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "achievements." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "demonstrate." One person may have many accomplishments or contributions. Match the verb to that plural head noun, not to the person named after of. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "is demonstrating" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "achievements."

B. "has demonstrated" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "achievements."

D. "demonstrates" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "achievements."

Back to question 105 | Practice ID: GA777-168-2

QUESTION 106 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: explore

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "assemblages." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "explore." The material list is only a description. The subject is the collection of installations, assemblages, pieces, or constructions. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "exploring" by itself is not a complete verb. It leaves the main statement unfinished.

B. "has explored" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "assemblages."

C. "explores" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "assemblages."

Back to question 106 | Practice ID: GA777-126-2

QUESTION 107 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: encourages

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "Northern Design Forum." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "encourages." This is one named event. The many gatherings, meetings, conferences, or events in the interruption do not control the verb. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "are encouraging" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Northern Design Forum."

B. "have encouraged" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Northern Design Forum."

C. "encourage" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Northern Design Forum."

Back to question 107 | Practice ID: GA777-074-2

QUESTION 108 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: is

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "Lena Darzi." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "is." The phrase in collaboration with adds other people without joining them to the subject with and. The main subject is still one researcher. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "are being" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Lena Darzi."

B. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Lena Darzi."

D. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Lena Darzi."

Back to question 108 | Practice ID: GA777-112-2

QUESTION 109 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: influence

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "narrative patterns." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "influence." The long description about what a community has inherited sits between the plural subject and its verb. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "influences" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "narrative patterns."

C. "is influencing" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "narrative patterns."

D. "has influenced" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "narrative patterns."

Back to question 109 | Practice ID: GA777-018-2

QUESTION 110 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: increase

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "markings." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "increase." The plural signals, markings, chemicals, or vibrations do the increasing. The animal or plant inside the intervening description is not the subject. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

B. "increases" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "markings."

C. "has increased" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "markings."

D. "is increasing" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "markings."

Back to question 110 | Practice ID: GA777-197-2

QUESTION 111 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: was

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "inventory." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "was." Everything after of describes the one survey, inventory, analysis, or assessment. Do not match the verb to the many items inside that description. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "were" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "inventory."

C. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "inventory."

D. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "inventory."

Back to question 111 | Practice ID: GA777-041-2

QUESTION 112 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: aren't

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "artistic abilities." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "aren't." The subject is the plural set of interests, abilities, accomplishments, or achievements. The person named after of does not control the verb. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

B. "hasn't been" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "artistic abilities."

C. "wasn't" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "artistic abilities."

D. "isn't" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "artistic abilities."

Back to question 112 | Practice ID: GA777-045-2

QUESTION 113 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: identifies

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "assessment." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "identifies." The two researchers share one analysis or assessment. Their names do not make that singular head noun plural. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "are identifying" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "assessment."

B. "have identified" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "assessment."

D. "identify" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "assessment."

Back to question 113 | Practice ID: GA777-085-3

QUESTION 114 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: motivates

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "question." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "motivates." The whole long subject begins with one question. The words describing its two parts do not make the main noun plural. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "have motivated" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "question."

B. "motivate" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "question."

D. "motivating" by itself is not a complete verb. It leaves the main statement unfinished.

Back to question 114 | Practice ID: GA777-160-3

QUESTION 115 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: supports

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "recovery." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "supports." The subject is the discovery, detection, recovery, or identification itself. The plural objects after of are a distraction. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "are supporting" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "recovery."

C. "support" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "recovery."

D. "have supported" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "recovery."

Back to question 115 | Practice ID: GA777-020-3

QUESTION 116 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: is

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "pattern." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "is." The singular outline, shape, pattern, or curvature is the subject. The plural objects in the opening description and the comparison are distractions. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "were" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "pattern."

B. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "pattern."

C. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "pattern."

Back to question 116 | Practice ID: GA777-184-3

QUESTION 117 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: engage

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "meditations." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "engage." Reflections, observations, meditations, and recollections are plural. The singular book mentioned earlier is not the subject of this verb. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "has engaged" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "meditations."

B. "engages" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "meditations."

D. "is engaging" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "meditations."

Back to question 117 | Practice ID: GA777-036-3

QUESTION 118 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: demonstrate

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "contributions." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "demonstrate." One person may have many accomplishments or contributions. Match the verb to that plural head noun, not to the person named after of. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "demonstrates" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "contributions."

B. "is demonstrating" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "contributions."

D. "has demonstrated" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "contributions."

Back to question 118 | Practice ID: GA777-168-3

QUESTION 119 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: explore

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "pieces." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "explore." The material list is only a description. The subject is the collection of installations, assemblages, pieces, or constructions. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "explores" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "pieces."

B. "exploring" by itself is not a complete verb. It leaves the main statement unfinished.

D. "has explored" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "pieces."

Back to question 119 | Practice ID: GA777-126-3

QUESTION 120 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: encourages

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "Urban Ecology Assembly." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "encourages." This is one named event. The many gatherings, meetings, conferences, or events in the interruption do not control the verb. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "are encouraging" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Urban Ecology Assembly."

B. "have encouraged" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Urban Ecology Assembly."

D. "encourage" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Urban Ecology Assembly."

Back to question 120 | Practice ID: GA777-074-3

QUESTION 121 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: is

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "Nadia Reed." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "is." The phrase in collaboration with adds other people without joining them to the subject with and. The main subject is still one researcher. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

B. "are being" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Nadia Reed."

C. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Nadia Reed."

D. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Nadia Reed."

Back to question 121 | Practice ID: GA777-112-3

QUESTION 122 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: influence

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "musical conventions." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "influence." The long description about what a community has inherited sits between the plural subject and its verb. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "influences" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "musical conventions."

C. "has influenced" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "musical conventions."

D. "is influencing" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "musical conventions."

Back to question 122 | Practice ID: GA777-018-3

QUESTION 123 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: increase

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "chemicals." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "increase." The plural signals, markings, chemicals, or vibrations do the increasing. The animal or plant inside the intervening description is not the subject. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "has increased" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "chemicals."

C. "increases" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "chemicals."

D. "is increasing" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "chemicals."

Back to question 123 | Practice ID: GA777-197-3

QUESTION 124 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: was

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "analysis." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "was." Everything after of describes the one survey, inventory, analysis, or assessment. Do not match the verb to the many items inside that description. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

B. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "analysis."

C. "were" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "analysis."

D. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "analysis."

Back to question 124 | Practice ID: GA777-041-3

QUESTION 125 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: aren't

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "technical accomplishments." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "aren't." The subject is the plural set of interests, abilities, accomplishments, or achievements. The person named after of does not control the verb. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "wasn't" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "technical accomplishments."

B. "isn't" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "technical accomplishments."

C. "hasn't been" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "technical accomplishments."

Back to question 125 | Practice ID: GA777-045-3

QUESTION 126 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: identifies

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "examination." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "identifies." The two researchers share one analysis or assessment. Their names do not make that singular head noun plural. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "have identified" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "examination."

B. "are identifying" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "examination."

D. "identify" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "examination."

Back to question 126 | Practice ID: GA777-085-4

QUESTION 127 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: motivates

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "question." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "motivates." The whole long subject begins with one question. The words describing its two parts do not make the main noun plural. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

B. "motivate" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "question."

C. "have motivated" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "question."

D. "motivating" by itself is not a complete verb. It leaves the main statement unfinished.

Back to question 127 | Practice ID: GA777-160-4

QUESTION 128 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: supports

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "identification." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "supports." The subject is the discovery, detection, recovery, or identification itself. The plural objects after of are a distraction. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "have supported" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "identification."

B. "support" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "identification."

D. "are supporting" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "identification."

Back to question 128 | Practice ID: GA777-020-4

QUESTION 129 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: engage

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "recollections." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "engage." Reflections, observations, meditations, and recollections are plural. The singular book mentioned earlier is not the subject of this verb. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "engages" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "recollections."

B. "is engaging" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "recollections."

C. "has engaged" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "recollections."

Back to question 129 | Practice ID: GA777-036-4

QUESTION 130 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: encourages

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "Community Theater Market." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "encourages." This is one named event. The many gatherings, meetings, conferences, or events in the interruption do not control the verb. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "have encouraged" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Community Theater Market."

B. "are encouraging" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Community Theater Market."

C. "encourage" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Community Theater Market."

Back to question 130 | Practice ID: GA777-074-4

QUESTION 131 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: influence

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "architectural preferences." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "influence." The long description about what a community has inherited sits between the plural subject and its verb. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "is influencing" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "architectural preferences."

C. "influences" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "architectural preferences."

D. "has influenced" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "architectural preferences."

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QUESTION 132 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: increase

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "vibrations." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "increase." The plural signals, markings, chemicals, or vibrations do the increasing. The animal or plant inside the intervening description is not the subject. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "is increasing" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "vibrations."

B. "has increased" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "vibrations."

D. "increases" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "vibrations."

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QUESTION 133 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: was

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "assessment." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "was." Everything after of describes the one survey, inventory, analysis, or assessment. Do not match the verb to the many items inside that description. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "were" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "assessment."

B. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "assessment."

C. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "assessment."

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QUESTION 134 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: aren't

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "literary achievements." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "aren't." The subject is the plural set of interests, abilities, accomplishments, or achievements. The person named after of does not control the verb. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "isn't" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "literary achievements."

B. "wasn't" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "literary achievements."

C. "hasn't been" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "literary achievements."

Back to question 134 | Practice ID: GA777-045-4

QUESTION 135 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: creates

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "technique." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "creates." That points to one technique, method, strategy, or pattern. The words and actions inside the quotation do not decide the verb. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "have created" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "technique."

C. "are creating" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "technique."

D. "create" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "technique."

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QUESTION 136 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: appears

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "glow." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "appears." The word "that" points back to this noun. The nouns inside the later when-clause do not control the blank. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "appear" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "glow."

B. "have appeared" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "glow."

D. "are appearing" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "glow."

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QUESTION 137 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: establishes

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "document." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "establishes." That refers to one document, manual, guide, or framework. The two authors belong to the earlier clause. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "establish" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "document."

C. "have established" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "document."

D. "were establishing" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "document."

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QUESTION 138 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: creates

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "method." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "creates." That points to one technique, method, strategy, or pattern. The words and actions inside the quotation do not decide the verb. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "are creating" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "method."

B. "create" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "method."

C. "have created" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "method."

Back to question 138 | Practice ID: GA777-181-2

QUESTION 139 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: appears

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "color." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "appears." The word "that" points back to this noun. The nouns inside the later when-clause do not control the blank. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "are appearing" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "color."

B. "have appeared" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "color."

D. "appear" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "color."

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QUESTION 140 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: establishes

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "manual." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "establishes." That refers to one document, manual, guide, or framework. The two authors belong to the earlier clause. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "have established" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "manual."

C. "were establishing" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "manual."

D. "establish" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "manual."

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QUESTION 141 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: creates

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "strategy." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "creates." That points to one technique, method, strategy, or pattern. The words and actions inside the quotation do not decide the verb. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

B. "have created" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "strategy."

C. "are creating" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "strategy."

D. "create" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "strategy."

Back to question 141 | Practice ID: GA777-181-3

QUESTION 142 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: appears

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "vibration." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "appears." The word "that" points back to this noun. The nouns inside the later when-clause do not control the blank. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "are appearing" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "vibration."

B. "appear" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "vibration."

C. "have appeared" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "vibration."

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QUESTION 143 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: establishes

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "guide." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "establishes." That refers to one document, manual, guide, or framework. The two authors belong to the earlier clause. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "establish" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "guide."

C. "have established" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "guide."

D. "were establishing" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "guide."

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QUESTION 144 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: appears

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "pattern." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "appears." The word "that" points back to this noun. The nouns inside the later when-clause do not control the blank. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

B. "have appeared" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "pattern."

C. "are appearing" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "pattern."

D. "appear" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "pattern."

Back to question 144 | Practice ID: GA777-001-4

QUESTION 145 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: establishes

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "framework." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "establishes." That refers to one document, manual, guide, or framework. The two authors belong to the earlier clause. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "were establishing" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "framework."

B. "establish" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "framework."

D. "have established" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "framework."

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QUESTION 146 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: remain

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "particles." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "remain." The noun immediately described by that is plural. The singular device or material introduced earlier is not the subject of this small clause. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

B. "remains" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "particles."

C. "has remained" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "particles."

D. "is remaining" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "particles."

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QUESTION 147 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: is a smaller, portable version

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "folding seed scoop." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "is a smaller, portable version." Which refers to one named tool. Both the singular verb and the singular noun version must fit that tool. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "were a smaller, portable version" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "folding seed scoop."

B. "were smaller, portable versions" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "folding seed scoop."

D. "are smaller, portable versions" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "folding seed scoop."

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QUESTION 148 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: investigate

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "many." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "investigate." Many refers to a group of researchers. The named specialist is only one example inside the interruption. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

B. "has investigated" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "many."

C. "investigates" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "many."

D. "is investigating" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "many."

Back to question 148 | Practice ID: GA777-195-1

QUESTION 149 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: remain

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "insects." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "remain." The noun immediately described by that is plural. The singular device or material introduced earlier is not the subject of this small clause. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "remains" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "insects."

C. "is remaining" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "insects."

D. "has remained" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "insects."

Back to question 149 | Practice ID: GA777-141-2

QUESTION 150 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: is a smaller, portable version

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "portable page cradle." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "is a smaller, portable version." Which refers to one named tool. Both the singular verb and the singular noun version must fit that tool. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "were smaller, portable versions" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "portable page cradle."

B. "were a smaller, portable version" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "portable page cradle."

D. "are smaller, portable versions" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "portable page cradle."

Back to question 150 | Practice ID: GA777-026-2

QUESTION 151 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: investigate

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "many." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "investigate." Many refers to a group of researchers. The named specialist is only one example inside the interruption. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "is investigating" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "many."

C. "has investigated" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "many."

D. "investigates" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "many."

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QUESTION 152 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: remain

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "cells." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "remain." The noun immediately described by that is plural. The singular device or material introduced earlier is not the subject of this small clause. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "remains" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "cells."

B. "is remaining" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "cells."

C. "has remained" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "cells."

Back to question 152 | Practice ID: GA777-141-3

QUESTION 153 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: is a smaller, portable version

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "collapsible mixing paddle." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "is a smaller, portable version." Which refers to one named tool. Both the singular verb and the singular noun version must fit that tool. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "were a smaller, portable version" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "collapsible mixing paddle."

B. "were smaller, portable versions" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "collapsible mixing paddle."

D. "are smaller, portable versions" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "collapsible mixing paddle."

Back to question 153 | Practice ID: GA777-026-3

QUESTION 154 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: investigate

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "many." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "investigate." Many refers to a group of researchers. The named specialist is only one example inside the interruption. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "investigates" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "many."

B. "has investigated" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "many."

C. "is investigating" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "many."

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QUESTION 155 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: remain

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "fibers." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "remain." The noun immediately described by that is plural. The singular device or material introduced earlier is not the subject of this small clause. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "has remained" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "fibers."

B. "is remaining" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "fibers."

D. "remains" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "fibers."

Back to question 155 | Practice ID: GA777-141-4

QUESTION 156 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: investigate

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "many." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "investigate." Many refers to a group of researchers. The named specialist is only one example inside the interruption. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

B. "has investigated" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "many."

C. "is investigating" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "many."

D. "investigates" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "many."

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QUESTION 157 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: prevent

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "interlocking ridges." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "prevent." That refers to the plural structures immediately before it, not to the one larger object mentioned earlier. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "has prevented" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "interlocking ridges."

B. "prevents" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "interlocking ridges."

D. "preventing" by itself is not a complete verb. It leaves the main statement unfinished.

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QUESTION 158 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: prevent

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "branching channels." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "prevent." That refers to the plural structures immediately before it, not to the one larger object mentioned earlier. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "preventing" by itself is not a complete verb. It leaves the main statement unfinished.

B. "has prevented" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "branching channels."

C. "prevents" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "branching channels."

Back to question 158 | Practice ID: GA777-043-2

QUESTION 159 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: prevent

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "overlapping plates." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "prevent." That refers to the plural structures immediately before it, not to the one larger object mentioned earlier. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "prevents" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "overlapping plates."

B. "has prevented" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "overlapping plates."

D. "preventing" by itself is not a complete verb. It leaves the main statement unfinished.

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QUESTION 160 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: prevent

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "flexible joints." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "prevent." That refers to the plural structures immediately before it, not to the one larger object mentioned earlier. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

B. "prevents" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "flexible joints."

C. "preventing" by itself is not a complete verb. It leaves the main statement unfinished.

D. "has prevented" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "flexible joints."

Back to question 160 | Practice ID: GA777-043-4

QUESTION 161 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: ensures

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "Keeping duplicate copies of the recordings." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "ensures." The full -ing phrase names a single activity. Do not let a plural noun inside that phrase choose the verb. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

B. "are ensuring" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Keeping duplicate copies of the recordings."

C. "ensure" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Keeping duplicate copies of the recordings."

D. "have ensured" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Keeping duplicate copies of the recordings."

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QUESTION 162 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: allows

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "landing on a marked triangle." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "allows." The subject is one action expressed by an -ing phrase. The plural spaces, tokens, or paths appear elsewhere. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "have allowed" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "landing on a marked triangle."

B. "are allowing" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "landing on a marked triangle."

C. "allow" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "landing on a marked triangle."

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QUESTION 163 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: ensures

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "Checking the measurements before cutting." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "ensures." The full -ing phrase names a single activity. Do not let a plural noun inside that phrase choose the verb. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

B. "have ensured" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Checking the measurements before cutting."

C. "ensure" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Checking the measurements before cutting."

D. "are ensuring" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Checking the measurements before cutting."

Back to question 163 | Practice ID: GA777-073-2

QUESTION 164 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: allows

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "stopping beside a blue symbol." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "allows." The subject is one action expressed by an -ing phrase. The plural spaces, tokens, or paths appear elsewhere. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "are allowing" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "stopping beside a blue symbol."

B. "have allowed" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "stopping beside a blue symbol."

D. "allow" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "stopping beside a blue symbol."

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QUESTION 165 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: ensures

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "Testing the battery before departure." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "ensures." The full -ing phrase names a single activity. Do not let a plural noun inside that phrase choose the verb. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "are ensuring" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Testing the battery before departure."

B. "have ensured" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Testing the battery before departure."

C. "ensure" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Testing the battery before departure."

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QUESTION 166 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: allows

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "arriving at a shaded square." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "allows." The subject is one action expressed by an -ing phrase. The plural spaces, tokens, or paths appear elsewhere. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "have allowed" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "arriving at a shaded square."

C. "allow" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "arriving at a shaded square."

D. "are allowing" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "arriving at a shaded square."

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QUESTION 167 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: ensures

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "Labeling the samples as they are collected." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "ensures." The full -ing phrase names a single activity. Do not let a plural noun inside that phrase choose the verb. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "ensure" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Labeling the samples as they are collected."

B. "have ensured" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Labeling the samples as they are collected."

D. "are ensuring" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Labeling the samples as they are collected."

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QUESTION 168 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: allows

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "passing through a double circle." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "allows." The subject is one action expressed by an -ing phrase. The plural spaces, tokens, or paths appear elsewhere. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "have allowed" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "passing through a double circle."

B. "allow" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "passing through a double circle."

D. "are allowing" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "passing through a double circle."

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QUESTION 169 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: was

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "Recording the experiences of displaced families." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "was." The whole -ing phrase names one activity. Experiences, needs, movements, or designs may be plural, but the activity is singular. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Recording the experiences of displaced families."

B. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Recording the experiences of displaced families."

C. "were" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Recording the experiences of displaced families."

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QUESTION 170 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: was

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "Explaining the needs of rural students." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "was." The whole -ing phrase names one activity. Experiences, needs, movements, or designs may be plural, but the activity is singular. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Explaining the needs of rural students."

B. "were" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Explaining the needs of rural students."

C. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Explaining the needs of rural students."

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QUESTION 171 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: was

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "Documenting the movements of migratory birds." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "was." The whole -ing phrase names one activity. Experiences, needs, movements, or designs may be plural, but the activity is singular. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "were" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Documenting the movements of migratory birds."

C. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Documenting the movements of migratory birds."

D. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Documenting the movements of migratory birds."

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QUESTION 172 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: was

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "Preserving the designs of traditional textiles." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "was." The whole -ing phrase names one activity. Experiences, needs, movements, or designs may be plural, but the activity is singular. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Preserving the designs of traditional textiles."

C. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Preserving the designs of traditional textiles."

D. "were" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Preserving the designs of traditional textiles."

Back to question 172 | Practice ID: GA777-022-4

QUESTION 173 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: was

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "last minute." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "was." Every treats the minutes, stages, movements, or details one at a time. The plural items inside the which-clause are distractions. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "last minute."

B. "were" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "last minute."

D. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "last minute."

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QUESTION 174 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: was

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "individual stage." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "was." Every treats the minutes, stages, movements, or details one at a time. The plural items inside the which-clause are distractions. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

B. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "individual stage."

C. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "individual stage."

D. "were" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "individual stage."

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QUESTION 175 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: was

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "single movement." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "was." Every treats the minutes, stages, movements, or details one at a time. The plural items inside the which-clause are distractions. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "single movement."

C. "were" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "single movement."

D. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "single movement."

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QUESTION 176 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: was

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "final detail." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "was." Every treats the minutes, stages, movements, or details one at a time. The plural items inside the which-clause are distractions. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

B. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "final detail."

C. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "final detail."

D. "were" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "final detail."

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QUESTION 177 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: centers

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "one." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "centers." Each one means one work at a time. Ignore the titles and other plural words inside the interruption. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "center" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "one."

B. "are centered" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "one."

D. "were centered" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "one."

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QUESTION 178 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: is

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "section." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "is." Each means one section, panel, movement, or chapter at a time. The long while-phrase only describes it. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "were" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "section."

C. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "section."

D. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "section."

Back to question 178 | Practice ID: GA777-173-1

QUESTION 179 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: centers

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "one." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "centers." Each one means one work at a time. Ignore the titles and other plural words inside the interruption. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "are centered" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "one."

B. "were centered" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "one."

D. "center" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "one."

Back to question 179 | Practice ID: GA777-087-2

QUESTION 180 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: is

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "panel." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "is." Each means one section, panel, movement, or chapter at a time. The long while-phrase only describes it. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "panel."

B. "were" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "panel."

D. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "panel."

Back to question 180 | Practice ID: GA777-173-2

QUESTION 181 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: centers

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "one." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "centers." Each one means one work at a time. Ignore the titles and other plural words inside the interruption. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "are centered" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "one."

B. "were centered" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "one."

D. "center" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "one."

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QUESTION 182 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: is

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "movement." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "is." Each means one section, panel, movement, or chapter at a time. The long while-phrase only describes it. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "were" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "movement."

B. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "movement."

C. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "movement."

Back to question 182 | Practice ID: GA777-173-3

QUESTION 183 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: centers

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "one." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "centers." Each one means one work at a time. Ignore the titles and other plural words inside the interruption. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "are centered" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "one."

B. "center" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "one."

D. "were centered" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "one."

Back to question 183 | Practice ID: GA777-087-4

QUESTION 184 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: is

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "chapter." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "is." Each means one section, panel, movement, or chapter at a time. The long while-phrase only describes it. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "chapter."

B. "were" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "chapter."

D. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "chapter."

Back to question 184 | Practice ID: GA777-173-4

QUESTION 185 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: are

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "cantilever design and the arch design." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "are." Two separate designs, patterns, plans, or mechanisms are joined by and. The word each belongs to an interruption and does not replace that plural subject. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "was" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "cantilever design and the arch design."

B. "has been" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "cantilever design and the arch design."

D. "is" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "cantilever design and the arch design."

Back to question 185 | Practice ID: GA777-143-1

QUESTION 186 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: are

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "spiral pattern and the radial pattern." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "are." Two separate designs, patterns, plans, or mechanisms are joined by and. The word each belongs to an interruption and does not replace that plural subject. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "was" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "spiral pattern and the radial pattern."

C. "is" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "spiral pattern and the radial pattern."

D. "has been" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "spiral pattern and the radial pattern."

Back to question 186 | Practice ID: GA777-143-2

QUESTION 187 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: are

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "grid plan and the ring plan." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "are." Two separate designs, patterns, plans, or mechanisms are joined by and. The word each belongs to an interruption and does not replace that plural subject. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "has been" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "grid plan and the ring plan."

C. "was" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "grid plan and the ring plan."

D. "is" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "grid plan and the ring plan."

Back to question 187 | Practice ID: GA777-143-3

QUESTION 188 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: are

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "lever mechanism and the pulley mechanism." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "are." Two separate designs, patterns, plans, or mechanisms are joined by and. The word each belongs to an interruption and does not replace that plural subject. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

B. "has been" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "lever mechanism and the pulley mechanism."

C. "is" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "lever mechanism and the pulley mechanism."

D. "was" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "lever mechanism and the pulley mechanism."

Back to question 188 | Practice ID: GA777-143-4

QUESTION 189 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: determine

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "a room's acoustics and its seating arrangement." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "determine." Two distinct things joined by and form the subject. The singular item introduced by not is explicitly excluded. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "determining" by itself is not a complete verb. It leaves the main statement unfinished.

C. "determines" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "a room's acoustics and its seating arrangement."

D. "has determined" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "a room's acoustics and its seating arrangement."

Back to question 189 | Practice ID: GA777-100-1

QUESTION 190 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: determine

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "a trail's surface and its drainage system." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "determine." Two distinct things joined by and form the subject. The singular item introduced by not is explicitly excluded. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "determines" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "a trail's surface and its drainage system."

C. "has determined" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "a trail's surface and its drainage system."

D. "determining" by itself is not a complete verb. It leaves the main statement unfinished.

Back to question 190 | Practice ID: GA777-100-2

QUESTION 191 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: determine

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "a collection's indexing and its search tools." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "determine." Two distinct things joined by and form the subject. The singular item introduced by not is explicitly excluded. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

B. "has determined" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "a collection's indexing and its search tools."

C. "determining" by itself is not a complete verb. It leaves the main statement unfinished.

D. "determines" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "a collection's indexing and its search tools."

Back to question 191 | Practice ID: GA777-100-3

QUESTION 192 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: determine

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "a garden's soil quality and its water supply." It is plural, so the verb must be plural too. The correct form is "determine." Two distinct things joined by and form the subject. The singular item introduced by not is explicitly excluded. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "determines" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "a garden's soil quality and its water supply."

B. "determining" by itself is not a complete verb. It leaves the main statement unfinished.

D. "has determined" is a singular verb form here. It does not agree with "a garden's soil quality and its water supply."

Back to question 192 | Practice ID: GA777-100-4

QUESTION 193 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: invites

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "Rooms of Rain." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "invites." The title names one work. The long description of its ingredients contains plural nouns, but the work itself is singular. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "invite" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Rooms of Rain."

B. "are inviting" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Rooms of Rain."

D. "have invited" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Rooms of Rain."

Back to question 193 | Practice ID: GA777-183-1

QUESTION 194 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: invites

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "Letters across Water." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "invites." The title names one work. The long description of its ingredients contains plural nouns, but the work itself is singular. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "are inviting" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Letters across Water."

C. "invite" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Letters across Water."

D. "have invited" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Letters across Water."

Back to question 194 | Practice ID: GA777-183-2

QUESTION 195 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: invites

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "A Garden in Motion." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "invites." The title names one work. The long description of its ingredients contains plural nouns, but the work itself is singular. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "invite" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "A Garden in Motion."

C. "have invited" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "A Garden in Motion."

D. "are inviting" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "A Garden in Motion."

Back to question 195 | Practice ID: GA777-183-3

QUESTION 196 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: invites

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "The Long Platform." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "invites." The title names one work. The long description of its ingredients contains plural nouns, but the work itself is singular. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "are inviting" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "The Long Platform."

B. "have invited" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "The Long Platform."

D. "invite" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "The Long Platform."

Back to question 196 | Practice ID: GA777-183-4

QUESTION 197 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: has broadened

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "Paths across the Inland Sea." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "has broadened." The title names one book, even when words inside the title are plural. The description between commas does not change that. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

B. "are broadening" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Paths across the Inland Sea."

C. "have broadened" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Paths across the Inland Sea."

D. "broaden" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Paths across the Inland Sea."

Back to question 197 | Practice ID: GA777-164-1

QUESTION 198 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: has broadened

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "Songs beyond the Valley." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "has broadened." The title names one book, even when words inside the title are plural. The description between commas does not change that. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

B. "broaden" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Songs beyond the Valley."

C. "have broadened" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Songs beyond the Valley."

D. "are broadening" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Songs beyond the Valley."

Back to question 198 | Practice ID: GA777-164-2

QUESTION 199 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: has broadened

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "Windows on the Workshop." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "has broadened." The title names one book, even when words inside the title are plural. The description between commas does not change that. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

B. "broaden" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Windows on the Workshop."

C. "have broadened" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Windows on the Workshop."

D. "are broadening" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Windows on the Workshop."

Back to question 199 | Practice ID: GA777-164-3

QUESTION 200 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: was

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "Lina Mansour." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "was." The subject comes after the verb. Reverse the order: this one named person was among the members or leaders. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Lina Mansour."

B. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Lina Mansour."

D. "were" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Lina Mansour."

Back to question 200 | Practice ID: GA777-129-1

QUESTION 201 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: was

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "Mara Vale." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "was." The subject comes after the verb. Reverse the order: this one named person was among the members or leaders. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

A. "were" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Mara Vale."

C. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Mara Vale."

D. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Mara Vale."

Back to question 201 | Practice ID: GA777-129-2

QUESTION 202 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: was

Find the clue: Find the real subject: "Nadia Hart." It is singular, so the verb must be singular too. The correct form is "was." The subject comes after the verb. Reverse the order: this one named person was among the members or leaders. Read the subject with the chosen verb before putting the other details back.

B. "are" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Nadia Hart."

C. "have been" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Nadia Hart."

D. "were" is a plural verb form here. It does not agree with "Nadia Hart."

Back to question 202 | Practice ID: GA777-129-3

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QUESTION 203 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: survives

Find the clue: The sentence explains a general survival pattern, not one particular event. The surrounding language describes what the organism is able to do. Simple present "survives" fits that regular response to the stated conditions.

A. "Survived" describes a completed past event.

C. "Would survive" suggests a condition or past viewpoint not supplied here.

D. "Had survived" looks back from a past event.

Back to question 203 | Practice ID: GA777-063-1

QUESTION 204 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: combines

Find the clue: The passage explains the approach's usual function. The previous sentence uses "use," and this sentence continues that general present description. Choose "combines." A recent date for developing an approach does not mean its present function needs a past verb.

A. "Had combined" moves the action before a past checkpoint that is not given.

C. "Will have been combining" looks ahead to activity viewed from a future time.

D. "Would have combined" suggests an imagined past result, not the approach's ordinary function.

Back to question 204 | Practice ID: GA777-005-1

QUESTION 205 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: reach

Find the clue: This is a general explanation of a repeated process. The objects move, reach a particular point, and then continue to the next step. Simple present "reach" fits that sequence and the endpoint introduced by until.

A. "Had reached" shifts to an earlier past.

B. "Are reaching" focuses on activity in progress rather than the endpoint needed after until here.

C. "Will reach" unnecessarily changes the general process into a future prediction.

Back to question 205 | Practice ID: GA777-030-1

QUESTION 206 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: gets

Find the clue: The sentence describes the team's usual routine. It checks, packs, loads, or assembles its equipment and "gets" ready. Simple present keeps the two joined actions in the same repeated pattern.

A. "Got" shifts to simple past.

C. "Had gotten" describes an action before a past checkpoint.

D. "Was getting" describes continuing activity in the past.

Back to question 206 | Practice ID: GA777-031-1

QUESTION 207 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: remove

Find the clue: The systems are proposed for the future, but the clause describes their intended general function. Simple present "remove" can name that function, just as in "We will build a machine that cleans water." It does not claim the systems already exist.

A. "Have removed" suggests the proposed systems have already performed the action.

B. "Removed" describes past action.

D. "Are removing" suggests removal already in progress rather than the proposed general function.

Back to question 207 | Practice ID: GA777-203-1

QUESTION 208 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: illuminates

Find the clue: The word "Each" signals a repeated event. The surrounding sentences also describe how the object works in the present. "Illuminates" is simple present, the normal tense for this regular action.

B. "Would illuminate" introduces a condition or past viewpoint not supplied here.

C. "Illuminated" switches to the past.

D. "Will be illuminating" shifts to a future event.

Back to question 208 | Practice ID: GA777-019-1

QUESTION 209 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: is

Find the clue: Circle "Today." The exhibition or study occurred in the past, but the blank describes the person's reputation now. Use present-tense "is regarded." Each sentence can have its own time frame.

A. "Had been" looks back from a past point.

B. "Was" describes a past reputation rather than today's.

C. "Will be" shifts to the future.

Back to question 209 | Practice ID: GA777-179-1

QUESTION 210 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: associates

Find the clue: The passage discusses fictional characters in the present tense. The first character recalls, learns, understands, or maintains something; the second character "associates" things. Keep the same present-tense discussion of the works.

A. "Had associated" shifts to an earlier past.

B. "Will be associating" shifts to the future.

D. "Associated" shifts to the past.

Back to question 210 | Practice ID: GA777-115-1

QUESTION 211 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: travel

Find the clue: The clues "Each year" and "annual" describe a repeated routine. The other verbs also describe what these groups regularly do. Simple present "travel" keeps the same pattern.

A. "Were traveling" describes continuing past activity.

C. "Had traveled" places activity before another past point.

D. "Traveled" describes the past.

Back to question 211 | Practice ID: GA777-154-1

QUESTION 212 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: covers

Find the clue: Circle "Currently." It means now. The sentence describes the present extent of the program, so "covers" fits. Other dates or background facts are less important than this direct time clue.

A. "Covered" moves the statement to the past.

C. "Will have covered" looks back from a future checkpoint.

D. "Had covered" looks back from a past checkpoint.

Back to question 212 | Practice ID: GA777-016-1

QUESTION 213 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: survives

Find the clue: The sentence explains a general survival pattern, not one particular event. The surrounding language describes what the organism is able to do. Simple present "survives" fits that regular response to the stated conditions.

A. "Would survive" suggests a condition or past viewpoint not supplied here.

B. "Had survived" looks back from a past event.

D. "Survived" describes a completed past event.

Back to question 213 | Practice ID: GA777-063-2

QUESTION 214 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: combines

Find the clue: The passage explains the approach's usual function. The previous sentence uses "use," and this sentence continues that general present description. Choose "combines." A recent date for developing an approach does not mean its present function needs a past verb.

A. "Would have combined" suggests an imagined past result, not the approach's ordinary function.

B. "Had combined" moves the action before a past checkpoint that is not given.

D. "Will have been combining" looks ahead to activity viewed from a future time.

Back to question 214 | Practice ID: GA777-005-2

QUESTION 215 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: reach

Find the clue: This is a general explanation of a repeated process. The objects move, reach a particular point, and then continue to the next step. Simple present "reach" fits that sequence and the endpoint introduced by until.

A. "Had reached" shifts to an earlier past.

C. "Will reach" unnecessarily changes the general process into a future prediction.

D. "Are reaching" focuses on activity in progress rather than the endpoint needed after until here.

Back to question 215 | Practice ID: GA777-030-2

QUESTION 216 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: gets

Find the clue: The sentence describes the team's usual routine. It checks, packs, loads, or assembles its equipment and "gets" ready. Simple present keeps the two joined actions in the same repeated pattern.

A. "Got" shifts to simple past.

B. "Had gotten" describes an action before a past checkpoint.

C. "Was getting" describes continuing activity in the past.

Back to question 216 | Practice ID: GA777-031-2

QUESTION 217 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: remove

Find the clue: The systems are proposed for the future, but the clause describes their intended general function. Simple present "remove" can name that function, just as in "We will build a machine that cleans water." It does not claim the systems already exist.

A. "Have removed" suggests the proposed systems have already performed the action.

B. "Are removing" suggests removal already in progress rather than the proposed general function.

D. "Removed" describes past action.

Back to question 217 | Practice ID: GA777-203-2

QUESTION 218 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: illuminates

Find the clue: The word "Each" signals a repeated event. The surrounding sentences also describe how the object works in the present. "Illuminates" is simple present, the normal tense for this regular action.

B. "Illuminated" switches to the past.

C. "Would illuminate" introduces a condition or past viewpoint not supplied here.

D. "Will be illuminating" shifts to a future event.

Back to question 218 | Practice ID: GA777-019-2

QUESTION 219 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: is

Find the clue: Circle "Today." The exhibition or study occurred in the past, but the blank describes the person's reputation now. Use present-tense "is regarded." Each sentence can have its own time frame.

A. "Will be" shifts to the future.

B. "Had been" looks back from a past point.

C. "Was" describes a past reputation rather than today's.

Back to question 219 | Practice ID: GA777-179-2

QUESTION 220 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: associates

Find the clue: The passage discusses fictional characters in the present tense. The first character recalls, learns, understands, or maintains something; the second character "associates" things. Keep the same present-tense discussion of the works.

A. "Had associated" shifts to an earlier past.

B. "Will be associating" shifts to the future.

C. "Associated" shifts to the past.

Back to question 220 | Practice ID: GA777-115-2

QUESTION 221 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: travel

Find the clue: The clues "Each year" and "annual" describe a repeated routine. The other verbs also describe what these groups regularly do. Simple present "travel" keeps the same pattern.

A. "Traveled" describes the past.

B. "Had traveled" places activity before another past point.

C. "Were traveling" describes continuing past activity.

Back to question 221 | Practice ID: GA777-154-2

QUESTION 222 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: covers

Find the clue: Circle "Currently." It means now. The sentence describes the present extent of the program, so "covers" fits. Other dates or background facts are less important than this direct time clue.

A. "Will have covered" looks back from a future checkpoint.

C. "Covered" moves the statement to the past.

D. "Had covered" looks back from a past checkpoint.

Back to question 222 | Practice ID: GA777-016-2

QUESTION 223 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: survives

Find the clue: The sentence explains a general survival pattern, not one particular event. The surrounding language describes what the organism is able to do. Simple present "survives" fits that regular response to the stated conditions.

A. "Survived" describes a completed past event.

B. "Would survive" suggests a condition or past viewpoint not supplied here.

D. "Had survived" looks back from a past event.

Back to question 223 | Practice ID: GA777-063-3

QUESTION 224 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: combines

Find the clue: The passage explains the approach's usual function. The previous sentence uses "use," and this sentence continues that general present description. Choose "combines." A recent date for developing an approach does not mean its present function needs a past verb.

B. "Had combined" moves the action before a past checkpoint that is not given.

C. "Would have combined" suggests an imagined past result, not the approach's ordinary function.

D. "Will have been combining" looks ahead to activity viewed from a future time.

Back to question 224 | Practice ID: GA777-005-3

QUESTION 225 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: reach

Find the clue: This is a general explanation of a repeated process. The objects move, reach a particular point, and then continue to the next step. Simple present "reach" fits that sequence and the endpoint introduced by until.

A. "Had reached" shifts to an earlier past.

B. "Will reach" unnecessarily changes the general process into a future prediction.

D. "Are reaching" focuses on activity in progress rather than the endpoint needed after until here.

Back to question 225 | Practice ID: GA777-030-3

QUESTION 226 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: gets

Find the clue: The sentence describes the team's usual routine. It checks, packs, loads, or assembles its equipment and "gets" ready. Simple present keeps the two joined actions in the same repeated pattern.

A. "Had gotten" describes an action before a past checkpoint.

C. "Got" shifts to simple past.

D. "Was getting" describes continuing activity in the past.

Back to question 226 | Practice ID: GA777-031-3

QUESTION 227 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: remove

Find the clue: The systems are proposed for the future, but the clause describes their intended general function. Simple present "remove" can name that function, just as in "We will build a machine that cleans water." It does not claim the systems already exist.

A. "Have removed" suggests the proposed systems have already performed the action.

B. "Removed" describes past action.

C. "Are removing" suggests removal already in progress rather than the proposed general function.

Back to question 227 | Practice ID: GA777-203-3

QUESTION 228 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: illuminates

Find the clue: The word "Each" signals a repeated event. The surrounding sentences also describe how the object works in the present. "Illuminates" is simple present, the normal tense for this regular action.

A. "Will be illuminating" shifts to a future event.

B. "Would illuminate" introduces a condition or past viewpoint not supplied here.

C. "Illuminated" switches to the past.

Back to question 228 | Practice ID: GA777-019-3

QUESTION 229 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: is

Find the clue: Circle "Today." The exhibition or study occurred in the past, but the blank describes the person's reputation now. Use present-tense "is regarded." Each sentence can have its own time frame.

B. "Will be" shifts to the future.

C. "Was" describes a past reputation rather than today's.

D. "Had been" looks back from a past point.

Back to question 229 | Practice ID: GA777-179-3

QUESTION 230 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: associates

Find the clue: The passage discusses fictional characters in the present tense. The first character recalls, learns, understands, or maintains something; the second character "associates" things. Keep the same present-tense discussion of the works.

A. "Associated" shifts to the past.

B. "Will be associating" shifts to the future.

C. "Had associated" shifts to an earlier past.

Back to question 230 | Practice ID: GA777-115-3

QUESTION 231 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: travel

Find the clue: The clues "Each year" and "annual" describe a repeated routine. The other verbs also describe what these groups regularly do. Simple present "travel" keeps the same pattern.

A. "Had traveled" places activity before another past point.

B. "Were traveling" describes continuing past activity.

D. "Traveled" describes the past.

Back to question 231 | Practice ID: GA777-154-3

QUESTION 232 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: covers

Find the clue: Circle "Currently." It means now. The sentence describes the present extent of the program, so "covers" fits. Other dates or background facts are less important than this direct time clue.

A. "Will have covered" looks back from a future checkpoint.

B. "Had covered" looks back from a past checkpoint.

D. "Covered" moves the statement to the past.

Back to question 232 | Practice ID: GA777-016-3

QUESTION 233 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: survives

Find the clue: The sentence explains a general survival pattern, not one particular event. The surrounding language describes what the organism is able to do. Simple present "survives" fits that regular response to the stated conditions.

B. "Survived" describes a completed past event.

C. "Had survived" looks back from a past event.

D. "Would survive" suggests a condition or past viewpoint not supplied here.

Back to question 233 | Practice ID: GA777-063-4

QUESTION 234 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: combines

Find the clue: The passage explains the approach's usual function. The previous sentence uses "use," and this sentence continues that general present description. Choose "combines." A recent date for developing an approach does not mean its present function needs a past verb.

A. "Will have been combining" looks ahead to activity viewed from a future time.

B. "Had combined" moves the action before a past checkpoint that is not given.

D. "Would have combined" suggests an imagined past result, not the approach's ordinary function.

Back to question 234 | Practice ID: GA777-005-4

QUESTION 235 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: reach

Find the clue: This is a general explanation of a repeated process. The objects move, reach a particular point, and then continue to the next step. Simple present "reach" fits that sequence and the endpoint introduced by until.

B. "Are reaching" focuses on activity in progress rather than the endpoint needed after until here.

C. "Had reached" shifts to an earlier past.

D. "Will reach" unnecessarily changes the general process into a future prediction.

Back to question 235 | Practice ID: GA777-030-4

QUESTION 236 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: remove

Find the clue: The systems are proposed for the future, but the clause describes their intended general function. Simple present "remove" can name that function, just as in "We will build a machine that cleans water." It does not claim the systems already exist.

A. "Removed" describes past action.

C. "Are removing" suggests removal already in progress rather than the proposed general function.

D. "Have removed" suggests the proposed systems have already performed the action.

Back to question 236 | Practice ID: GA777-203-4

QUESTION 237 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: illuminates

Find the clue: The word "Each" signals a repeated event. The surrounding sentences also describe how the object works in the present. "Illuminates" is simple present, the normal tense for this regular action.

A. "Illuminated" switches to the past.

B. "Would illuminate" introduces a condition or past viewpoint not supplied here.

C. "Will be illuminating" shifts to a future event.

Back to question 237 | Practice ID: GA777-019-4

QUESTION 238 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: is

Find the clue: Circle "Today." The exhibition or study occurred in the past, but the blank describes the person's reputation now. Use present-tense "is regarded." Each sentence can have its own time frame.

A. "Was" describes a past reputation rather than today's.

B. "Will be" shifts to the future.

D. "Had been" looks back from a past point.

Back to question 238 | Practice ID: GA777-179-4

QUESTION 239 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: associates

Find the clue: The passage discusses fictional characters in the present tense. The first character recalls, learns, understands, or maintains something; the second character "associates" things. Keep the same present-tense discussion of the works.

A. "Will be associating" shifts to the future.

B. "Associated" shifts to the past.

D. "Had associated" shifts to an earlier past.

Back to question 239 | Practice ID: GA777-115-4

QUESTION 240 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: travel

Find the clue: The clues "Each year" and "annual" describe a repeated routine. The other verbs also describe what these groups regularly do. Simple present "travel" keeps the same pattern.

B. "Were traveling" describes continuing past activity.

C. "Had traveled" places activity before another past point.

D. "Traveled" describes the past.

Back to question 240 | Practice ID: GA777-154-4

QUESTION 241 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: covers

Find the clue: Circle "Currently." It means now. The sentence describes the present extent of the program, so "covers" fits. Other dates or background facts are less important than this direct time clue.

A. "Had covered" looks back from a past checkpoint.

C. "Will have covered" looks back from a future checkpoint.

D. "Covered" moves the statement to the past.

Back to question 241 | Practice ID: GA777-016-4

QUESTION 242 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: benefit

Find the clue: The passage explains how this arrangement normally works. The present verbs is, differs, and contribute or decide establish that general description. "Benefit" keeps the same present-tense explanation.

A. "Had benefited" looks back from a past checkpoint.

B. "Were benefiting" describes ongoing past activity.

C. "Benefited" changes to the past.

Back to question 242 | Practice ID: GA777-174-1

QUESTION 243 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: connects

Find the clue: We usually discuss a story's events and features in the present tense. "Connects" matches the nearby present verb "appears." The publication year tells when the work was created, not which tense to use when describing its contents.

B. "Connected" shifts away from the present discussion of the work.

C. "Had connected" moves to an earlier past.

D. "Will have connected" shifts to a future checkpoint.

Back to question 243 | Practice ID: GA777-083-1

QUESTION 244 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: benefit

Find the clue: The passage explains how this arrangement normally works. The present verbs is, differs, and contribute or decide establish that general description. "Benefit" keeps the same present-tense explanation.

A. "Benefited" changes to the past.

B. "Had benefited" looks back from a past checkpoint.

C. "Were benefiting" describes ongoing past activity.

Back to question 244 | Practice ID: GA777-174-2

QUESTION 245 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: connects

Find the clue: We usually discuss a story's events and features in the present tense. "Connects" matches the nearby present verb "appears." The publication year tells when the work was created, not which tense to use when describing its contents.

B. "Connected" shifts away from the present discussion of the work.

C. "Will have connected" shifts to a future checkpoint.

D. "Had connected" moves to an earlier past.

Back to question 245 | Practice ID: GA777-083-2

QUESTION 246 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: benefit

Find the clue: The passage explains how this arrangement normally works. The present verbs is, differs, and contribute or decide establish that general description. "Benefit" keeps the same present-tense explanation.

A. "Had benefited" looks back from a past checkpoint.

B. "Benefited" changes to the past.

D. "Were benefiting" describes ongoing past activity.

Back to question 246 | Practice ID: GA777-174-3

QUESTION 247 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: connects

Find the clue: We usually discuss a story's events and features in the present tense. "Connects" matches the nearby present verb "appears." The publication year tells when the work was created, not which tense to use when describing its contents.

A. "Will have connected" shifts to a future checkpoint.

B. "Had connected" moves to an earlier past.

C. "Connected" shifts away from the present discussion of the work.

Back to question 247 | Practice ID: GA777-083-3

QUESTION 248 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: benefit

Find the clue: The passage explains how this arrangement normally works. The present verbs is, differs, and contribute or decide establish that general description. "Benefit" keeps the same present-tense explanation.

A. "Benefited" changes to the past.

C. "Were benefiting" describes ongoing past activity.

D. "Had benefited" looks back from a past checkpoint.

Back to question 248 | Practice ID: GA777-174-4

QUESTION 249 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: connects

Find the clue: We usually discuss a story's events and features in the present tense. "Connects" matches the nearby present verb "appears." The publication year tells when the work was created, not which tense to use when describing its contents.

B. "Had connected" moves to an earlier past.

C. "Connected" shifts away from the present discussion of the work.

D. "Will have connected" shifts to a future checkpoint.

Back to question 249 | Practice ID: GA777-083-4

QUESTION 250 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: ended

Find the clue: The retirement happened on the stated date, and the next sentence describes that same completed event. "Ended" matches past-tense "retired." Do not turn a finished career event into present or future activity.

A. "Will be ending" places the event in the future.

B. "Has been ending" suggests an ongoing process connected to now.

C. "End" is present and does not agree with the singular subject here.

Back to question 250 | Practice ID: GA777-114-1

QUESTION 251 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: damaged

Find the clue: The passage explicitly places the events in the 1940s. "At that time" continues the same past setting. Simple past "damaged" fits that completed historical account.

A. "Are damaging" describes the present.

B. "Will damage" predicts the future.

D. "Will have damaged" looks back from a future time.

Back to question 251 | Practice ID: GA777-170-1

QUESTION 252 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: was

Find the clue: The phrase "Even in the 1870s" points to a specific finished period. Use past-tense "was." The earlier "has long been" gives broad historical background, but the blank belongs to a statement about that particular past period.

A. "Is" is present tense.

C. "Will be" describes the future.

D. "Is being" describes the present.

Back to question 252 | Practice ID: GA777-099-1

QUESTION 253 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: promised

Find the clue: The date and the verbs "accompanied" and "returning" place the promise in a completed past story. "Promised" keeps that sequence in the simple past. The promise happened after the visit, not now or in the future.

A. "Will promise" predicts a future promise.

C. "Promises" is present tense.

D. "Is promising" describes an action happening now.

Back to question 253 | Practice ID: GA777-023-1

QUESTION 254 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: overturned

Find the clue: The specific year 1887 and the past action that follows place the accident in a finished past story. "Overturned" matches that setting. The present description of the replacement building does not change the time of the old accident.

A. "Has overturned" does not fit this completed event dated to a particular past year.

C. "Will overturn" is future tense.

D. "Overturns" is present tense.

Back to question 254 | Practice ID: GA777-201-1

QUESTION 255 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: became

Find the clue: The dated period and the phrase "was under her leadership" set the events in the past. "Became" matches that time and gives the main clause the complete verb it needs. Both the time clue and the sentence structure point to it.

A. "Is becoming" is present tense.

B. "To become" is not a complete main verb.

C. "Will become" is future tense.

Back to question 255 | Practice ID: GA777-187-1

QUESTION 256 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: assumed

Find the clue: The appointment is a past checkpoint. The collection or network had already grown before that point. Use simple past "assumed" for the checkpoint; the earlier growth already has its own past-perfect verb.

A. "Will assume" places the appointment in the future.

C. "Assumes" is present tense.

D. "Is assuming" describes an appointment happening now.

Back to question 256 | Practice ID: GA777-158-1

QUESTION 257 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: was

Find the clue: The dates "from 1896 to 1914" identify a finished period in the past. "Was directed" fits that period and matches the earlier was. The sentence is not describing who directs the institution now.

A. "Has been" does not fit a finished period bounded by these past dates.

B. "Will be" shifts to the future.

D. "Is" shifts to the present.

Back to question 257 | Practice ID: GA777-136-1

QUESTION 258 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: ended

Find the clue: The retirement happened on the stated date, and the next sentence describes that same completed event. "Ended" matches past-tense "retired." Do not turn a finished career event into present or future activity.

B. "End" is present and does not agree with the singular subject here.

C. "Will be ending" places the event in the future.

D. "Has been ending" suggests an ongoing process connected to now.

Back to question 258 | Practice ID: GA777-114-2

QUESTION 259 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: damaged

Find the clue: The passage explicitly places the events in the 1950s. "At that time" continues the same past setting. Simple past "damaged" fits that completed historical account.

A. "Will have damaged" looks back from a future time.

B. "Are damaging" describes the present.

D. "Will damage" predicts the future.

Back to question 259 | Practice ID: GA777-170-2

QUESTION 260 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: was

Find the clue: The phrase "Even in the 1890s" points to a specific finished period. Use past-tense "was." The earlier "has long been" gives broad historical background, but the blank belongs to a statement about that particular past period.

B. "Will be" describes the future.

C. "Is" is present tense.

D. "Is being" describes the present.

Back to question 260 | Practice ID: GA777-099-2

QUESTION 261 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: promised

Find the clue: The date and the verbs "accompanied" and "returning" place the promise in a completed past story. "Promised" keeps that sequence in the simple past. The promise happened after the visit, not now or in the future.

B. "Promises" is present tense.

C. "Is promising" describes an action happening now.

D. "Will promise" predicts a future promise.

Back to question 261 | Practice ID: GA777-023-2

QUESTION 262 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: overturned

Find the clue: The specific year 1894 and the past action that follows place the accident in a finished past story. "Overturned" matches that setting. The present description of the replacement building does not change the time of the old accident.

A. "Has overturned" does not fit this completed event dated to a particular past year.

C. "Overturns" is present tense.

D. "Will overturn" is future tense.

Back to question 262 | Practice ID: GA777-201-2

QUESTION 263 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: became

Find the clue: The dated period and the phrase "was under her leadership" set the events in the past. "Became" matches that time and gives the main clause the complete verb it needs. Both the time clue and the sentence structure point to it.

B. "To become" is not a complete main verb.

C. "Will become" is future tense.

D. "Is becoming" is present tense.

Back to question 263 | Practice ID: GA777-187-2

QUESTION 264 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: assumed

Find the clue: The appointment is a past checkpoint. The collection or network had already grown before that point. Use simple past "assumed" for the checkpoint; the earlier growth already has its own past-perfect verb.

B. "Assumes" is present tense.

C. "Is assuming" describes an appointment happening now.

D. "Will assume" places the appointment in the future.

Back to question 264 | Practice ID: GA777-158-2

QUESTION 265 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: was

Find the clue: The dates "from 1931 to 1948" identify a finished period in the past. "Was directed" fits that period and matches the earlier was. The sentence is not describing who directs the institution now.

A. "Will be" shifts to the future.

C. "Has been" does not fit a finished period bounded by these past dates.

D. "Is" shifts to the present.

Back to question 265 | Practice ID: GA777-136-2

QUESTION 266 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: ended

Find the clue: The retirement happened on the stated date, and the next sentence describes that same completed event. "Ended" matches past-tense "retired." Do not turn a finished career event into present or future activity.

A. "End" is present and does not agree with the singular subject here.

C. "Will be ending" places the event in the future.

D. "Has been ending" suggests an ongoing process connected to now.

Back to question 266 | Practice ID: GA777-114-3

QUESTION 267 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: damaged

Find the clue: The passage explicitly places the events in the 1930s. "At that time" continues the same past setting. Simple past "damaged" fits that completed historical account.

A. "Will have damaged" looks back from a future time.

B. "Are damaging" describes the present.

C. "Will damage" predicts the future.

Back to question 267 | Practice ID: GA777-170-3

QUESTION 268 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: was

Find the clue: The phrase "Even in the 1930s" points to a specific finished period. Use past-tense "was." The earlier "has long been" gives broad historical background, but the blank belongs to a statement about that particular past period.

A. "Is being" describes the present.

B. "Is" is present tense.

D. "Will be" describes the future.

Back to question 268 | Practice ID: GA777-099-3

QUESTION 269 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: promised

Find the clue: The date and the verbs "accompanied" and "returning" place the promise in a completed past story. "Promised" keeps that sequence in the simple past. The promise happened after the visit, not now or in the future.

A. "Promises" is present tense.

C. "Will promise" predicts a future promise.

D. "Is promising" describes an action happening now.

Back to question 269 | Practice ID: GA777-023-3

QUESTION 270 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: overturned

Find the clue: The specific year 1906 and the past action that follows place the accident in a finished past story. "Overturned" matches that setting. The present description of the replacement building does not change the time of the old accident.

A. "Will overturn" is future tense.

B. "Has overturned" does not fit this completed event dated to a particular past year.

C. "Overturns" is present tense.

Back to question 270 | Practice ID: GA777-201-3

QUESTION 271 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: became

Find the clue: The dated period and the phrase "was under her leadership" set the events in the past. "Became" matches that time and gives the main clause the complete verb it needs. Both the time clue and the sentence structure point to it.

B. "To become" is not a complete main verb.

C. "Is becoming" is present tense.

D. "Will become" is future tense.

Back to question 271 | Practice ID: GA777-187-3

QUESTION 272 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: assumed

Find the clue: The appointment is a past checkpoint. The collection or network had already grown before that point. Use simple past "assumed" for the checkpoint; the earlier growth already has its own past-perfect verb.

B. "Assumes" is present tense.

C. "Will assume" places the appointment in the future.

D. "Is assuming" describes an appointment happening now.

Back to question 272 | Practice ID: GA777-158-3

QUESTION 273 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: was

Find the clue: The dates "from 1972 to 1987" identify a finished period in the past. "Was directed" fits that period and matches the earlier was. The sentence is not describing who directs the institution now.

A. "Has been" does not fit a finished period bounded by these past dates.

B. "Is" shifts to the present.

C. "Will be" shifts to the future.

Back to question 273 | Practice ID: GA777-136-3

QUESTION 274 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: damaged

Find the clue: The passage explicitly places the events in the 1960s. "At that time" continues the same past setting. Simple past "damaged" fits that completed historical account.

A. "Will damage" predicts the future.

C. "Will have damaged" looks back from a future time.

D. "Are damaging" describes the present.

Back to question 274 | Practice ID: GA777-170-4

QUESTION 275 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: was

Find the clue: The phrase "Even in the 1950s" points to a specific finished period. Use past-tense "was." The earlier "has long been" gives broad historical background, but the blank belongs to a statement about that particular past period.

A. "Is being" describes the present.

B. "Is" is present tense.

C. "Will be" describes the future.

Back to question 275 | Practice ID: GA777-099-4

QUESTION 276 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: promised

Find the clue: The date and the verbs "accompanied" and "returning" place the promise in a completed past story. "Promised" keeps that sequence in the simple past. The promise happened after the visit, not now or in the future.

B. "Will promise" predicts a future promise.

C. "Promises" is present tense.

D. "Is promising" describes an action happening now.

Back to question 276 | Practice ID: GA777-023-4

QUESTION 277 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: overturned

Find the clue: The specific year 1879 and the past action that follows place the accident in a finished past story. "Overturned" matches that setting. The present description of the replacement building does not change the time of the old accident.

A. "Overturns" is present tense.

B. "Has overturned" does not fit this completed event dated to a particular past year.

D. "Will overturn" is future tense.

Back to question 277 | Practice ID: GA777-201-4

QUESTION 278 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: assumed

Find the clue: The appointment is a past checkpoint. The collection or network had already grown before that point. Use simple past "assumed" for the checkpoint; the earlier growth already has its own past-perfect verb.

A. "Assumes" is present tense.

C. "Will assume" places the appointment in the future.

D. "Is assuming" describes an appointment happening now.

Back to question 278 | Practice ID: GA777-158-4

QUESTION 279 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: used

Find the clue: The appointment and the use of the advisers' experience belong to a completed historical episode. "Used" continues that past account. Later praise does not move the earlier leader's action into the present.

B. "Is using" describes action happening now.

C. "Will use" puts the action in the future.

D. "Has used" links the action to the present instead of the finished historical setting.

Back to question 279 | Practice ID: GA777-205-1

QUESTION 280 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: suggested

Find the clue: The passage tells of a completed conversation in the 1970s. The advice and the additional suggestion belong to that same past occasion. Simple past "suggested" continues the story without changing its time.

B. "Suggests" shifts to the present.

C. "Is suggesting" describes activity happening now.

D. "Will have suggested" looks back from a future time, not the completed conversation.

Back to question 280 | Practice ID: GA777-069-1

QUESTION 281 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: used

Find the clue: The appointment and the use of the advisers' experience belong to a completed historical episode. "Used" continues that past account. Later praise does not move the earlier leader's action into the present.

A. "Is using" describes action happening now.

B. "Has used" links the action to the present instead of the finished historical setting.

C. "Will use" puts the action in the future.

Back to question 281 | Practice ID: GA777-205-2

QUESTION 282 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: suggested

Find the clue: The passage tells of a completed conversation in the 1980s. The advice and the additional suggestion belong to that same past occasion. Simple past "suggested" continues the story without changing its time.

B. "Will have suggested" looks back from a future time, not the completed conversation.

C. "Suggests" shifts to the present.

D. "Is suggesting" describes activity happening now.

Back to question 282 | Practice ID: GA777-069-2

QUESTION 283 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: used

Find the clue: The appointment and the use of the advisers' experience belong to a completed historical episode. "Used" continues that past account. Later praise does not move the earlier leader's action into the present.

A. "Has used" links the action to the present instead of the finished historical setting.

C. "Is using" describes action happening now.

D. "Will use" puts the action in the future.

Back to question 283 | Practice ID: GA777-205-3

QUESTION 284 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: suggested

Find the clue: The passage tells of a completed conversation in the 1960s. The advice and the additional suggestion belong to that same past occasion. Simple past "suggested" continues the story without changing its time.

B. "Will have suggested" looks back from a future time, not the completed conversation.

C. "Is suggesting" describes activity happening now.

D. "Suggests" shifts to the present.

Back to question 284 | Practice ID: GA777-069-3

QUESTION 285 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: used

Find the clue: The appointment and the use of the advisers' experience belong to a completed historical episode. "Used" continues that past account. Later praise does not move the earlier leader's action into the present.

A. "Is using" describes action happening now.

B. "Will use" puts the action in the future.

C. "Has used" links the action to the present instead of the finished historical setting.

Back to question 285 | Practice ID: GA777-205-4

QUESTION 286 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: suggested

Find the clue: The passage tells of a completed conversation in the 1990s. The advice and the additional suggestion belong to that same past occasion. Simple past "suggested" continues the story without changing its time.

B. "Will have suggested" looks back from a future time, not the completed conversation.

C. "Is suggesting" describes activity happening now.

D. "Suggests" shifts to the present.

Back to question 286 | Practice ID: GA777-069-4

QUESTION 287 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: was examining

Find the clue: The clue is "when she noticed." The examination was already in progress when the discovery happened. "Was examining" shows that continuing past action. Think of the same pattern in "I was reading when the phone rang."

B. "Will examine" places the activity in the future.

C. "Examines" describes the present or a habit.

D. "Has been examining" links the activity to now, not to the past moment described.

Back to question 287 | Practice ID: GA777-011-1

QUESTION 288 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: was examining

Find the clue: The clue is "when she noticed." The examination was already in progress when the discovery happened. "Was examining" shows that continuing past action. Think of the same pattern in "I was reading when the phone rang."

A. "Has been examining" links the activity to now, not to the past moment described.

B. "Will examine" places the activity in the future.

C. "Examines" describes the present or a habit.

Back to question 288 | Practice ID: GA777-011-2

QUESTION 289 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: was examining

Find the clue: The clue is "when she noticed." The examination was already in progress when the discovery happened. "Was examining" shows that continuing past action. Think of the same pattern in "I was reading when the phone rang."

B. "Has been examining" links the activity to now, not to the past moment described.

C. "Will examine" places the activity in the future.

D. "Examines" describes the present or a habit.

Back to question 289 | Practice ID: GA777-011-3

QUESTION 290 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: has gathered

Find the clue: "Since 1956" connects a starting year in the past with the present. "Has gathered" expresses that continuing record. The organization is singular, so the helper is has, not have.

A. "Gathers" describes a habit but does not correctly express the stated period beginning in the past.

C. "Is gathering" describes activity now without correctly expressing the whole since-period.

D. "Will gather" points to future activity.

Back to question 290 | Practice ID: GA777-062-1

QUESTION 291 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: have participated

Find the clue: The phrase "since the project began in 2011" links past participation to the present. "Have participated" expresses that span. Who refers to a plural group of people, so have is the appropriate helper.

B. "Participate" does not correctly express this stated since-period.

C. "Will participate" puts the action in the future.

D. "Will be participating" also describes future activity.

Back to question 291 | Practice ID: GA777-093-1

QUESTION 292 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: has gathered

Find the clue: "Since 1974" connects a starting year in the past with the present. "Has gathered" expresses that continuing record. The organization is singular, so the helper is has, not have.

B. "Is gathering" describes activity now without correctly expressing the whole since-period.

C. "Gathers" describes a habit but does not correctly express the stated period beginning in the past.

D. "Will gather" points to future activity.

Back to question 292 | Practice ID: GA777-062-2

QUESTION 293 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: have participated

Find the clue: The phrase "since the project began in 2014" links past participation to the present. "Have participated" expresses that span. Who refers to a plural group of people, so have is the appropriate helper.

A. "Will be participating" also describes future activity.

B. "Will participate" puts the action in the future.

D. "Participate" does not correctly express this stated since-period.

Back to question 293 | Practice ID: GA777-093-2

QUESTION 294 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: has gathered

Find the clue: "Since 1968" connects a starting year in the past with the present. "Has gathered" expresses that continuing record. The organization is singular, so the helper is has, not have.

A. "Is gathering" describes activity now without correctly expressing the whole since-period.

C. "Will gather" points to future activity.

D. "Gathers" describes a habit but does not correctly express the stated period beginning in the past.

Back to question 294 | Practice ID: GA777-062-3

QUESTION 295 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: have participated

Find the clue: The phrase "since the project began in 2008" links past participation to the present. "Have participated" expresses that span. Who refers to a plural group of people, so have is the appropriate helper.

A. "Will participate" puts the action in the future.

B. "Will be participating" also describes future activity.

D. "Participate" does not correctly express this stated since-period.

Back to question 295 | Practice ID: GA777-093-3

QUESTION 296 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: have participated

Find the clue: The phrase "since the project began in 2016" links past participation to the present. "Have participated" expresses that span. Who refers to a plural group of people, so have is the appropriate helper.

A. "Will be participating" also describes future activity.

B. "Participate" does not correctly express this stated since-period.

C. "Will participate" puts the action in the future.

Back to question 296 | Practice ID: GA777-093-4

QUESTION 297 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: had already completed

Find the clue: There are two past stages: the training came first, and the later career step followed. "Had already completed" makes the earlier completed stage clear. The helper had also carries over to the second action joined by and.

A. "Already completes" describes the present rather than the earlier past.

B. "Will already have completed" looks back from a future point.

C. "Is already completing" makes the activity ongoing now.

Back to question 297 | Practice ID: GA777-146-1

QUESTION 298 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: had reached

Find the clue: This is a possible sequence in the past. First the people or materials had to arrive and survive the journey; only then could the later result have happened. "Had reached" fits the earlier stage and the later phrase "could have."

A. "Will reach" puts the arrival in the future.

B. "Reach" is present tense and does not fit the past sequence.

C. "Are reaching" describes an arrival happening now.

Back to question 298 | Practice ID: GA777-150-1

QUESTION 299 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: had developed

Find the clue: Two past events are separated in time: the original development and the later redesign. The word "earlier" tells you that the development came first. "Had developed" clearly marks that earlier past event.

B. "Develops" is present tense.

C. "Is developing" describes present activity.

D. "Will develop" predicts the future.

Back to question 299 | Practice ID: GA777-193-1

QUESTION 300 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: had become

Find the clue: The words "By 2022" establish a past checkpoint. Her rise to that position was complete by then. "Had become" shows the earlier achievement viewed from that past point, rather than predicting something still to happen.

A. "Will have become" looks back from a future checkpoint.

B. "Will become" points to the future.

D. "Becomes" describes the present.

Back to question 300 | Practice ID: GA777-034-1

QUESTION 301 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: had expanded

Find the clue: "By the end of the 1990s" gives a past checkpoint. The expansion was already complete by that point. "Had expanded" is past perfect: had plus a past participle. It places an event before a later point in the past.

A. "Has expanded" connects the action to now rather than the stated past checkpoint.

B. "Expands" is simple present.

C. "Will expand" puts the expansion in the future.

Back to question 301 | Practice ID: GA777-029-1

QUESTION 302 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: had already completed

Find the clue: There are two past stages: the training came first, and the later career step followed. "Had already completed" makes the earlier completed stage clear. The helper had also carries over to the second action joined by and.

A. "Already completes" describes the present rather than the earlier past.

B. "Will already have completed" looks back from a future point.

D. "Is already completing" makes the activity ongoing now.

Back to question 302 | Practice ID: GA777-146-2

QUESTION 303 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: had reached

Find the clue: This is a possible sequence in the past. First the people or materials had to arrive and survive the journey; only then could the later result have happened. "Had reached" fits the earlier stage and the later phrase "could have."

A. "Reach" is present tense and does not fit the past sequence.

B. "Are reaching" describes an arrival happening now.

D. "Will reach" puts the arrival in the future.

Back to question 303 | Practice ID: GA777-150-2

QUESTION 304 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: had developed

Find the clue: Two past events are separated in time: the original development and the later redesign. The word "earlier" tells you that the development came first. "Had developed" clearly marks that earlier past event.

A. "Will develop" predicts the future.

B. "Is developing" describes present activity.

C. "Develops" is present tense.

Back to question 304 | Practice ID: GA777-193-2

QUESTION 305 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: had become

Find the clue: The words "By 2023" establish a past checkpoint. Her rise to that position was complete by then. "Had become" shows the earlier achievement viewed from that past point, rather than predicting something still to happen.

A. "Becomes" describes the present.

B. "Will have become" looks back from a future checkpoint.

D. "Will become" points to the future.

Back to question 305 | Practice ID: GA777-034-2

QUESTION 306 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: had expanded

Find the clue: "By the end of the 2000s" gives a past checkpoint. The expansion was already complete by that point. "Had expanded" is past perfect: had plus a past participle. It places an event before a later point in the past.

A. "Has expanded" connects the action to now rather than the stated past checkpoint.

B. "Expands" is simple present.

C. "Will expand" puts the expansion in the future.

Back to question 306 | Practice ID: GA777-029-2

QUESTION 307 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: had already completed

Find the clue: There are two past stages: the training came first, and the later career step followed. "Had already completed" makes the earlier completed stage clear. The helper had also carries over to the second action joined by and.

A. "Will already have completed" looks back from a future point.

C. "Is already completing" makes the activity ongoing now.

D. "Already completes" describes the present rather than the earlier past.

Back to question 307 | Practice ID: GA777-146-3

QUESTION 308 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: had reached

Find the clue: This is a possible sequence in the past. First the people or materials had to arrive and survive the journey; only then could the later result have happened. "Had reached" fits the earlier stage and the later phrase "could have."

A. "Reach" is present tense and does not fit the past sequence.

B. "Will reach" puts the arrival in the future.

C. "Are reaching" describes an arrival happening now.

Back to question 308 | Practice ID: GA777-150-3

QUESTION 309 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: had developed

Find the clue: Two past events are separated in time: the original development and the later redesign. The word "earlier" tells you that the development came first. "Had developed" clearly marks that earlier past event.

B. "Is developing" describes present activity.

C. "Will develop" predicts the future.

D. "Develops" is present tense.

Back to question 309 | Practice ID: GA777-193-3

QUESTION 310 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: had become

Find the clue: The words "By 2021" establish a past checkpoint. Her rise to that position was complete by then. "Had become" shows the earlier achievement viewed from that past point, rather than predicting something still to happen.

A. "Will have become" looks back from a future checkpoint.

B. "Becomes" describes the present.

D. "Will become" points to the future.

Back to question 310 | Practice ID: GA777-034-3

QUESTION 311 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: had expanded

Find the clue: "By the end of the 1980s" gives a past checkpoint. The expansion was already complete by that point. "Had expanded" is past perfect: had plus a past participle. It places an event before a later point in the past.

A. "Will expand" puts the expansion in the future.

B. "Expands" is simple present.

C. "Has expanded" connects the action to now rather than the stated past checkpoint.

Back to question 311 | Practice ID: GA777-029-3

QUESTION 312 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: had already completed

Find the clue: There are two past stages: the training came first, and the later career step followed. "Had already completed" makes the earlier completed stage clear. The helper had also carries over to the second action joined by and.

A. "Already completes" describes the present rather than the earlier past.

B. "Will already have completed" looks back from a future point.

C. "Is already completing" makes the activity ongoing now.

Back to question 312 | Practice ID: GA777-146-4

QUESTION 313 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: had developed

Find the clue: Two past events are separated in time: the original development and the later redesign. The word "earlier" tells you that the development came first. "Had developed" clearly marks that earlier past event.

A. "Develops" is present tense.

B. "Will develop" predicts the future.

C. "Is developing" describes present activity.

Back to question 313 | Practice ID: GA777-193-4

QUESTION 314 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: had become

Find the clue: The words "By 2024" establish a past checkpoint. Her rise to that position was complete by then. "Had become" shows the earlier achievement viewed from that past point, rather than predicting something still to happen.

B. "Will have become" looks back from a future checkpoint.

C. "Will become" points to the future.

D. "Becomes" describes the present.

Back to question 314 | Practice ID: GA777-034-4

QUESTION 315 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: will learn

Find the clue: The phrase "in a later chapter" points ahead. The reader has not reached that material yet, so the sentence needs the future form "will learn." The first sentence's general definition does not change this direct time clue.

A. "Had learned" places the learning before a past point.

B. "Have learned" describes learning already connected to the present, not the later section.

C. "Had been learning" describes ongoing activity before a past point.

Back to question 315 | Practice ID: GA777-044-1

QUESTION 316 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: will learn

Find the clue: The phrase "in a later section" points ahead. The reader has not reached that material yet, so the sentence needs the future form "will learn." The first sentence's general definition does not change this direct time clue.

B. "Had learned" places the learning before a past point.

C. "Had been learning" describes ongoing activity before a past point.

D. "Have learned" describes learning already connected to the present, not the later section.

Back to question 316 | Practice ID: GA777-044-2

QUESTION 317 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: will learn

Find the clue: The phrase "in a later chapter" points ahead. The reader has not reached that material yet, so the sentence needs the future form "will learn." The first sentence's general definition does not change this direct time clue.

A. "Have learned" describes learning already connected to the present, not the later section.

B. "Had been learning" describes ongoing activity before a past point.

D. "Had learned" places the learning before a past point.

Back to question 317 | Practice ID: GA777-044-3

QUESTION 318 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: will learn

Find the clue: The phrase "in a later section" points ahead. The reader has not reached that material yet, so the sentence needs the future form "will learn." The first sentence's general definition does not change this direct time clue.

A. "Have learned" describes learning already connected to the present, not the later section.

C. "Had learned" places the learning before a past point.

D. "Had been learning" describes ongoing activity before a past point.

Back to question 318 | Practice ID: GA777-044-4

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QUESTION 319 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: is

Find the clue: The subject "the small carved panel" needs a complete verb. "is" supplies that verb. The word treated needs a helper to make the new sentence complete. Is treated supplies that complete verb. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "to be" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "the small carved panel" unfinished.

B. "being" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "the small carved panel" unfinished.

C. "having been" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "the small carved panel" unfinished.

Back to question 319 | Practice ID: GA777-028-1

QUESTION 320 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: served

Find the clue: The subject "more than two hundred people" needs a complete verb. "served" supplies that verb. The phrase after the comma adds information about the result. The main clause still needs the complete past verb served. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "to serve" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "more than two hundred people" unfinished.

B. "serving" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "more than two hundred people" unfinished.

C. "having served" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "more than two hundred people" unfinished.

Back to question 320 | Practice ID: GA777-102-1

QUESTION 321 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: records

Find the clue: The subject "The volume" needs a complete verb. "records" supplies that verb. The words beginning with that describe the things recorded. They do not fill the verb position in the main clause. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "to record" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "The volume" unfinished.

C. "recording" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "The volume" unfinished.

D. "to be recording" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "The volume" unfinished.

Back to question 321 | Practice ID: GA777-137-1

QUESTION 322 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: adapted

Find the clue: The subject "engineer Lina Vale" needs a complete verb. "adapted" supplies that verb. The first sentence has its own action. This new sentence needs a complete past-tense action for the named person. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

B. "adapting" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "engineer Lina Vale" unfinished.

C. "to have adapted" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "engineer Lina Vale" unfinished.

D. "to adapt" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "engineer Lina Vale" unfinished.

Back to question 322 | Practice ID: GA777-048-1

QUESTION 323 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: serve

Find the clue: The subject "Several magazines" needs a complete verb. "serve" supplies that verb. The word including introduces examples. It does not provide the missing main action. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "having served" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Several magazines" unfinished.

B. "to serve" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Several magazines" unfinished.

C. "serving" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Several magazines" unfinished.

Back to question 323 | Practice ID: GA777-104-1

QUESTION 324 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: preserved

Find the clue: The subject "the surveyors" needs a complete verb. "preserved" supplies that verb. The words beginning with who describe which people are meant. They do not supply the main verb for the sentence. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "having preserved" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "the surveyors" unfinished.

B. "preserving" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "the surveyors" unfinished.

D. "to preserve" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "the surveyors" unfinished.

Back to question 324 | Practice ID: GA777-054-1

QUESTION 325 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: would formally recognize

Find the clue: The subject "the Regional Engineering Council" needs a complete verb. "would formally recognize" supplies that verb. Would formally recognize is a complete verb phrase used in this past narrative. The following -ing phrase adds the way the recognition was expressed. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

B. "having formally recognized" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "the Regional Engineering Council" unfinished.

C. "formally recognizing" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "the Regional Engineering Council" unfinished.

D. "to formally recognize" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "the Regional Engineering Council" unfinished.

Back to question 325 | Practice ID: GA777-169-1

QUESTION 326 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: have used

Find the clue: The subject "people in the northern river valley" needs a complete verb. "have used" supplies that verb. Have used is a complete PRESENT perfect verb. It describes a practice extending across a long period; had used would be past perfect. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

B. "to use" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "people in the northern river valley" unfinished.

C. "having used" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "people in the northern river valley" unfinished.

D. "using" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "people in the northern river valley" unfinished.

Back to question 326 | Practice ID: GA777-192-1

QUESTION 327 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: explain

Find the clue: The subject "Specialists" needs a complete verb. "explain" supplies that verb. The question is complete on its own. The new sentence needs its own complete verb before the that-clause. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "to explain" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Specialists" unfinished.

C. "having explained" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Specialists" unfinished.

D. "explaining" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Specialists" unfinished.

Back to question 327 | Practice ID: GA777-190-1

QUESTION 328 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: published

Find the clue: The subject "Lina Rafi and her colleagues" needs a complete verb. "published" supplies that verb. The question and the researcher's belief are separate sentences. The final sentence needs to state what the research team did. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "to publish" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Lina Rafi and her colleagues" unfinished.

C. "having published" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Lina Rafi and her colleagues" unfinished.

D. "publishing" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Lina Rafi and her colleagues" unfinished.

Back to question 328 | Practice ID: GA777-096-1

QUESTION 329 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: includes

Find the clue: The subject "One type" needs a complete verb. "includes" supplies that verb. The description between commas names the type. The verbs inside the later descriptions cannot replace its main verb. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

B. "including" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "One type" unfinished.

C. "to include" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "One type" unfinished.

D. "having included" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "One type" unfinished.

Back to question 329 | Practice ID: GA777-188-1

QUESTION 330 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: retain

Find the clue: The subject "seeds of the silverleaf plant" needs a complete verb. "retain" supplies that verb. The opening to-phrase explains the purpose. It does not replace the main action needed after the subject. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "to retain" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "seeds of the silverleaf plant" unfinished.

C. "having retained" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "seeds of the silverleaf plant" unfinished.

D. "retaining" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "seeds of the silverleaf plant" unfinished.

Back to question 330 | Practice ID: GA777-024-1

QUESTION 331 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: argue

Find the clue: The subject "Some researchers" needs a complete verb. "argue" supplies that verb. The later that-clause gives the content of the argument. The researchers still need their own main verb. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "to argue" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Some researchers" unfinished.

C. "arguing" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Some researchers" unfinished.

D. "having argued" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Some researchers" unfinished.

Back to question 331 | Practice ID: GA777-025-1

QUESTION 332 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: explains

Find the clue: The subject "A recent investigation" needs a complete verb. "explains" supplies that verb. The colon introduces the explanation, but the words before it must already contain a complete statement. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "to explain" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "A recent investigation" unfinished.

B. "having explained" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "A recent investigation" unfinished.

C. "explaining" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "A recent investigation" unfinished.

Back to question 332 | Practice ID: GA777-122-1

QUESTION 333 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: is

Find the clue: The subject "the flexible hand press" needs a complete verb. "is" supplies that verb. The word treated needs a helper to make the new sentence complete. Is treated supplies that complete verb. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "having been" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "the flexible hand press" unfinished.

B. "to be" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "the flexible hand press" unfinished.

D. "being" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "the flexible hand press" unfinished.

Back to question 333 | Practice ID: GA777-028-2

QUESTION 334 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: served

Find the clue: The subject "more than one hundred people" needs a complete verb. "served" supplies that verb. The phrase after the comma adds information about the result. The main clause still needs the complete past verb served. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "having served" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "more than one hundred people" unfinished.

C. "serving" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "more than one hundred people" unfinished.

D. "to serve" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "more than one hundred people" unfinished.

Back to question 334 | Practice ID: GA777-102-2

QUESTION 335 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: records

Find the clue: The subject "The book" needs a complete verb. "records" supplies that verb. The words beginning with that describe the things recorded. They do not fill the verb position in the main clause. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "to record" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "The book" unfinished.

C. "recording" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "The book" unfinished.

D. "to be recording" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "The book" unfinished.

Back to question 335 | Practice ID: GA777-137-2

QUESTION 336 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: adapted

Find the clue: The subject "designer Mina Rafi" needs a complete verb. "adapted" supplies that verb. The first sentence has its own action. This new sentence needs a complete past-tense action for the named person. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "adapting" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "designer Mina Rafi" unfinished.

C. "to adapt" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "designer Mina Rafi" unfinished.

D. "to have adapted" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "designer Mina Rafi" unfinished.

Back to question 336 | Practice ID: GA777-048-2

QUESTION 337 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: serve

Find the clue: The subject "Several bookmobiles" needs a complete verb. "serve" supplies that verb. The word including introduces examples. It does not provide the missing main action. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "to serve" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Several bookmobiles" unfinished.

B. "having served" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Several bookmobiles" unfinished.

C. "serving" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Several bookmobiles" unfinished.

Back to question 337 | Practice ID: GA777-104-2

QUESTION 338 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: preserved

Find the clue: The subject "the engineers" needs a complete verb. "preserved" supplies that verb. The words beginning with who describe which people are meant. They do not supply the main verb for the sentence. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "preserving" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "the engineers" unfinished.

C. "to preserve" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "the engineers" unfinished.

D. "having preserved" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "the engineers" unfinished.

Back to question 338 | Practice ID: GA777-054-2

QUESTION 339 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: would formally recognize

Find the clue: The subject "the National History Association" needs a complete verb. "would formally recognize" supplies that verb. Would formally recognize is a complete verb phrase used in this past narrative. The following -ing phrase adds the way the recognition was expressed. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "having formally recognized" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "the National History Association" unfinished.

B. "formally recognizing" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "the National History Association" unfinished.

C. "to formally recognize" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "the National History Association" unfinished.

Back to question 339 | Practice ID: GA777-169-2

QUESTION 340 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: have used

Find the clue: The subject "people in several coastal settlements" needs a complete verb. "have used" supplies that verb. Have used is a complete PRESENT perfect verb. It describes a practice extending across a long period; had used would be past perfect. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "having used" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "people in several coastal settlements" unfinished.

B. "to use" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "people in several coastal settlements" unfinished.

C. "using" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "people in several coastal settlements" unfinished.

Back to question 340 | Practice ID: GA777-192-2

QUESTION 341 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: explain

Find the clue: The subject "Specialists" needs a complete verb. "explain" supplies that verb. The question is complete on its own. The new sentence needs its own complete verb before the that-clause. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

B. "to explain" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Specialists" unfinished.

C. "having explained" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Specialists" unfinished.

D. "explaining" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Specialists" unfinished.

Back to question 341 | Practice ID: GA777-190-2

QUESTION 342 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: published

Find the clue: The subject "Mina Vale and her colleagues" needs a complete verb. "published" supplies that verb. The question and the researcher's belief are separate sentences. The final sentence needs to state what the research team did. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "to publish" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Mina Vale and her colleagues" unfinished.

B. "having published" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Mina Vale and her colleagues" unfinished.

C. "publishing" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Mina Vale and her colleagues" unfinished.

Back to question 342 | Practice ID: GA777-096-2

QUESTION 343 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: includes

Find the clue: The subject "One type" needs a complete verb. "includes" supplies that verb. The description between commas names the type. The verbs inside the later descriptions cannot replace its main verb. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "including" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "One type" unfinished.

C. "to include" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "One type" unfinished.

D. "having included" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "One type" unfinished.

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QUESTION 344 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: retain

Find the clue: The subject "leaves of the valley shrub" needs a complete verb. "retain" supplies that verb. The opening to-phrase explains the purpose. It does not replace the main action needed after the subject. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

B. "retaining" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "leaves of the valley shrub" unfinished.

C. "to retain" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "leaves of the valley shrub" unfinished.

D. "having retained" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "leaves of the valley shrub" unfinished.

Back to question 344 | Practice ID: GA777-024-2

QUESTION 345 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: argue

Find the clue: The subject "Some researchers" needs a complete verb. "argue" supplies that verb. The later that-clause gives the content of the argument. The researchers still need their own main verb. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "having argued" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Some researchers" unfinished.

C. "arguing" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Some researchers" unfinished.

D. "to argue" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Some researchers" unfinished.

Back to question 345 | Practice ID: GA777-025-2

QUESTION 346 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: explains

Find the clue: The subject "A recent investigation" needs a complete verb. "explains" supplies that verb. The colon introduces the explanation, but the words before it must already contain a complete statement. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "having explained" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "A recent investigation" unfinished.

B. "to explain" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "A recent investigation" unfinished.

D. "explaining" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "A recent investigation" unfinished.

Back to question 346 | Practice ID: GA777-122-2

QUESTION 347 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: is

Find the clue: The subject "the unsigned journal" needs a complete verb. "is" supplies that verb. The word treated needs a helper to make the new sentence complete. Is treated supplies that complete verb. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "having been" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "the unsigned journal" unfinished.

C. "to be" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "the unsigned journal" unfinished.

D. "being" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "the unsigned journal" unfinished.

Back to question 347 | Practice ID: GA777-028-3

QUESTION 348 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: served

Find the clue: The subject "more than three hundred people" needs a complete verb. "served" supplies that verb. The phrase after the comma adds information about the result. The main clause still needs the complete past verb served. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

B. "serving" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "more than three hundred people" unfinished.

C. "to serve" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "more than three hundred people" unfinished.

D. "having served" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "more than three hundred people" unfinished.

Back to question 348 | Practice ID: GA777-102-3

QUESTION 349 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: records

Find the clue: The subject "The catalog" needs a complete verb. "records" supplies that verb. The words beginning with that describe the things recorded. They do not fill the verb position in the main clause. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "recording" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "The catalog" unfinished.

C. "to record" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "The catalog" unfinished.

D. "to be recording" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "The catalog" unfinished.

Back to question 349 | Practice ID: GA777-137-3

QUESTION 350 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: adapted

Find the clue: The subject "researcher Nora Chen" needs a complete verb. "adapted" supplies that verb. The first sentence has its own action. This new sentence needs a complete past-tense action for the named person. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

B. "to have adapted" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "researcher Nora Chen" unfinished.

C. "to adapt" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "researcher Nora Chen" unfinished.

D. "adapting" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "researcher Nora Chen" unfinished.

Back to question 350 | Practice ID: GA777-048-3

QUESTION 351 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: serve

Find the clue: The subject "Several workshops" needs a complete verb. "serve" supplies that verb. The word including introduces examples. It does not provide the missing main action. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

B. "having served" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Several workshops" unfinished.

C. "to serve" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Several workshops" unfinished.

D. "serving" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Several workshops" unfinished.

Back to question 351 | Practice ID: GA777-104-3

QUESTION 352 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: preserved

Find the clue: The subject "the performers" needs a complete verb. "preserved" supplies that verb. The words beginning with who describe which people are meant. They do not supply the main verb for the sentence. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

B. "to preserve" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "the performers" unfinished.

C. "preserving" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "the performers" unfinished.

D. "having preserved" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "the performers" unfinished.

Back to question 352 | Practice ID: GA777-054-3

QUESTION 353 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: would formally recognize

Find the clue: The subject "the Coastal Research Institute" needs a complete verb. "would formally recognize" supplies that verb. Would formally recognize is a complete verb phrase used in this past narrative. The following -ing phrase adds the way the recognition was expressed. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

B. "to formally recognize" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "the Coastal Research Institute" unfinished.

C. "having formally recognized" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "the Coastal Research Institute" unfinished.

D. "formally recognizing" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "the Coastal Research Institute" unfinished.

Back to question 353 | Practice ID: GA777-169-3

QUESTION 354 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: have used

Find the clue: The subject "people in the western highlands" needs a complete verb. "have used" supplies that verb. Have used is a complete PRESENT perfect verb. It describes a practice extending across a long period; had used would be past perfect. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "having used" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "people in the western highlands" unfinished.

B. "to use" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "people in the western highlands" unfinished.

C. "using" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "people in the western highlands" unfinished.

Back to question 354 | Practice ID: GA777-192-3

QUESTION 355 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: explain

Find the clue: The subject "Specialists" needs a complete verb. "explain" supplies that verb. The question is complete on its own. The new sentence needs its own complete verb before the that-clause. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "having explained" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Specialists" unfinished.

B. "explaining" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Specialists" unfinished.

D. "to explain" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Specialists" unfinished.

Back to question 355 | Practice ID: GA777-190-3

QUESTION 356 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: published

Find the clue: The subject "Nora Chen and her colleagues" needs a complete verb. "published" supplies that verb. The question and the researcher's belief are separate sentences. The final sentence needs to state what the research team did. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "having published" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Nora Chen and her colleagues" unfinished.

C. "to publish" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Nora Chen and her colleagues" unfinished.

D. "publishing" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Nora Chen and her colleagues" unfinished.

Back to question 356 | Practice ID: GA777-096-3

QUESTION 357 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: includes

Find the clue: The subject "One type" needs a complete verb. "includes" supplies that verb. The description between commas names the type. The verbs inside the later descriptions cannot replace its main verb. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "to include" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "One type" unfinished.

B. "having included" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "One type" unfinished.

C. "including" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "One type" unfinished.

Back to question 357 | Practice ID: GA777-188-3

QUESTION 358 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: retain

Find the clue: The subject "stems of the coastal reed" needs a complete verb. "retain" supplies that verb. The opening to-phrase explains the purpose. It does not replace the main action needed after the subject. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

B. "retaining" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "stems of the coastal reed" unfinished.

C. "to retain" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "stems of the coastal reed" unfinished.

D. "having retained" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "stems of the coastal reed" unfinished.

Back to question 358 | Practice ID: GA777-024-3

QUESTION 359 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: argue

Find the clue: The subject "Some researchers" needs a complete verb. "argue" supplies that verb. The later that-clause gives the content of the argument. The researchers still need their own main verb. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "having argued" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Some researchers" unfinished.

B. "arguing" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Some researchers" unfinished.

D. "to argue" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Some researchers" unfinished.

Back to question 359 | Practice ID: GA777-025-3

QUESTION 360 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: explains

Find the clue: The subject "A recent investigation" needs a complete verb. "explains" supplies that verb. The colon introduces the explanation, but the words before it must already contain a complete statement. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

B. "to explain" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "A recent investigation" unfinished.

C. "explaining" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "A recent investigation" unfinished.

D. "having explained" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "A recent investigation" unfinished.

Back to question 360 | Practice ID: GA777-122-3

QUESTION 361 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: is

Find the clue: The subject "the shallow stone basin" needs a complete verb. "is" supplies that verb. The word treated needs a helper to make the new sentence complete. Is treated supplies that complete verb. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "being" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "the shallow stone basin" unfinished.

C. "to be" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "the shallow stone basin" unfinished.

D. "having been" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "the shallow stone basin" unfinished.

Back to question 361 | Practice ID: GA777-028-4

QUESTION 362 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: served

Find the clue: The subject "more than eighty people" needs a complete verb. "served" supplies that verb. The phrase after the comma adds information about the result. The main clause still needs the complete past verb served. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "serving" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "more than eighty people" unfinished.

C. "to serve" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "more than eighty people" unfinished.

D. "having served" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "more than eighty people" unfinished.

Back to question 362 | Practice ID: GA777-102-4

QUESTION 363 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: records

Find the clue: The subject "The report" needs a complete verb. "records" supplies that verb. The words beginning with that describe the things recorded. They do not fill the verb position in the main clause. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "to be recording" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "The report" unfinished.

C. "to record" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "The report" unfinished.

D. "recording" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "The report" unfinished.

Back to question 363 | Practice ID: GA777-137-4

QUESTION 364 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: adapted

Find the clue: The subject "technician Dalia Hart" needs a complete verb. "adapted" supplies that verb. The first sentence has its own action. This new sentence needs a complete past-tense action for the named person. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "to have adapted" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "technician Dalia Hart" unfinished.

B. "adapting" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "technician Dalia Hart" unfinished.

D. "to adapt" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "technician Dalia Hart" unfinished.

Back to question 364 | Practice ID: GA777-048-4

QUESTION 365 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: serve

Find the clue: The subject "Several archives" needs a complete verb. "serve" supplies that verb. The word including introduces examples. It does not provide the missing main action. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

B. "having served" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Several archives" unfinished.

C. "to serve" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Several archives" unfinished.

D. "serving" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Several archives" unfinished.

Back to question 365 | Practice ID: GA777-104-4

QUESTION 366 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: preserved

Find the clue: The subject "the technicians" needs a complete verb. "preserved" supplies that verb. The words beginning with who describe which people are meant. They do not supply the main verb for the sentence. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

B. "to preserve" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "the technicians" unfinished.

C. "preserving" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "the technicians" unfinished.

D. "having preserved" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "the technicians" unfinished.

Back to question 366 | Practice ID: GA777-054-4

QUESTION 367 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: would formally recognize

Find the clue: The subject "the Public Design Society" needs a complete verb. "would formally recognize" supplies that verb. Would formally recognize is a complete verb phrase used in this past narrative. The following -ing phrase adds the way the recognition was expressed. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "to formally recognize" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "the Public Design Society" unfinished.

C. "having formally recognized" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "the Public Design Society" unfinished.

D. "formally recognizing" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "the Public Design Society" unfinished.

Back to question 367 | Practice ID: GA777-169-4

QUESTION 368 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: published

Find the clue: The subject "Dalia Hart and her colleagues" needs a complete verb. "published" supplies that verb. The question and the researcher's belief are separate sentences. The final sentence needs to state what the research team did. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "publishing" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Dalia Hart and her colleagues" unfinished.

B. "to publish" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Dalia Hart and her colleagues" unfinished.

D. "having published" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Dalia Hart and her colleagues" unfinished.

Back to question 368 | Practice ID: GA777-096-4

QUESTION 369 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: retain

Find the clue: The subject "buds of the upland tree" needs a complete verb. "retain" supplies that verb. The opening to-phrase explains the purpose. It does not replace the main action needed after the subject. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "having retained" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "buds of the upland tree" unfinished.

B. "to retain" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "buds of the upland tree" unfinished.

C. "retaining" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "buds of the upland tree" unfinished.

Back to question 369 | Practice ID: GA777-024-4

QUESTION 370 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: argue

Find the clue: The subject "Some researchers" needs a complete verb. "argue" supplies that verb. The later that-clause gives the content of the argument. The researchers still need their own main verb. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "having argued" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Some researchers" unfinished.

B. "to argue" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Some researchers" unfinished.

C. "arguing" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Some researchers" unfinished.

Back to question 370 | Practice ID: GA777-025-4

QUESTION 371 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: explains

Find the clue: The subject "A recent investigation" needs a complete verb. "explains" supplies that verb. The colon introduces the explanation, but the words before it must already contain a complete statement. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "having explained" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "A recent investigation" unfinished.

B. "explaining" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "A recent investigation" unfinished.

C. "to explain" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "A recent investigation" unfinished.

Back to question 371 | Practice ID: GA777-122-4

QUESTION 372 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: helped

Find the clue: The subject "Her animated descriptions explaining how unfamiliar objects had been used and her habit of inviting visitors to compare replicas with original specimens" needs a complete verb. "helped" supplies that verb. Two long noun phrases form the subject. The verbs inside their descriptions do not finish the main statement about what those practices achieved. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "that helped" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Her animated descriptions explaining how unfamiliar objects had been used and her habit of inviting visitors to compare replicas with original specimens" unfinished.

B. ", helping" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Her animated descriptions explaining how unfamiliar objects had been used and her habit of inviting visitors to compare replicas with original specimens" unfinished.

C. "to help" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Her animated descriptions explaining how unfamiliar objects had been used and her habit of inviting visitors to compare replicas with original specimens" unfinished.

Back to question 372 | Practice ID: GA777-077-1

QUESTION 373 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: helped

Find the clue: The subject "Her careful demonstrations showing how a design changed during each stage of production and her practice of asking students to explain their own choices before adjusting the equipment" needs a complete verb. "helped" supplies that verb. Two long noun phrases form the subject. The verbs inside their descriptions do not finish the main statement about what those practices achieved. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. ", helping" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Her careful demonstrations showing how a design changed during each stage of production and her practice of asking students to explain their own choices before adjusting the equipment" unfinished.

C. "to help" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Her careful demonstrations showing how a design changed during each stage of production and her practice of asking students to explain their own choices before adjusting the equipment" unfinished.

D. "that helped" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Her careful demonstrations showing how a design changed during each stage of production and her practice of asking students to explain their own choices before adjusting the equipment" unfinished.

Back to question 373 | Practice ID: GA777-077-2

QUESTION 374 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: helped

Find the clue: The subject "Her regular announcements describing the books available on each visit and her habit of asking readers what they wanted to see in future collections" needs a complete verb. "helped" supplies that verb. Two long noun phrases form the subject. The verbs inside their descriptions do not finish the main statement about what those practices achieved. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. ", helping" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Her regular announcements describing the books available on each visit and her habit of asking readers what they wanted to see in future collections" unfinished.

B. "to help" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Her regular announcements describing the books available on each visit and her habit of asking readers what they wanted to see in future collections" unfinished.

C. "that helped" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Her regular announcements describing the books available on each visit and her habit of asking readers what they wanted to see in future collections" unfinished.

Back to question 374 | Practice ID: GA777-077-3

QUESTION 375 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: helped

Find the clue: The subject "Her clear explanations connecting laboratory measurements with familiar local conditions and her practice of taking school groups outside to compare readings at different sites" needs a complete verb. "helped" supplies that verb. Two long noun phrases form the subject. The verbs inside their descriptions do not finish the main statement about what those practices achieved. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. ", helping" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Her clear explanations connecting laboratory measurements with familiar local conditions and her practice of taking school groups outside to compare readings at different sites" unfinished.

B. "that helped" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Her clear explanations connecting laboratory measurements with familiar local conditions and her practice of taking school groups outside to compare readings at different sites" unfinished.

D. "to help" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Her clear explanations connecting laboratory measurements with familiar local conditions and her practice of taking school groups outside to compare readings at different sites" unfinished.

Back to question 375 | Practice ID: GA777-077-4

QUESTION 376 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: have established

Find the clue: The subject "Several advantages" needs a complete verb. "have established" supplies that verb. The dash section is a list of details. Skip it to find the missing main verb immediately before the object being described. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "having established" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Several advantages" unfinished.

B. "by establishing" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Several advantages" unfinished.

D. "establishing" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Several advantages" unfinished.

Back to question 376 | Practice ID: GA777-081-1

QUESTION 377 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: have established

Find the clue: The subject "Several features" needs a complete verb. "have established" supplies that verb. The dash section is a list of details. Skip it to find the missing main verb immediately before the object being described. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "by establishing" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Several features" unfinished.

B. "having established" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Several features" unfinished.

C. "establishing" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Several features" unfinished.

Back to question 377 | Practice ID: GA777-081-2

QUESTION 378 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: have established

Find the clue: The subject "Several properties" needs a complete verb. "have established" supplies that verb. The dash section is a list of details. Skip it to find the missing main verb immediately before the object being described. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "by establishing" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Several properties" unfinished.

C. "having established" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Several properties" unfinished.

D. "establishing" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Several properties" unfinished.

Back to question 378 | Practice ID: GA777-081-3

QUESTION 379 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: have established

Find the clue: The subject "Several qualities" needs a complete verb. "have established" supplies that verb. The dash section is a list of details. Skip it to find the missing main verb immediately before the object being described. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

B. "establishing" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Several qualities" unfinished.

C. "having established" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Several qualities" unfinished.

D. "by establishing" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "Several qualities" unfinished.

Back to question 379 | Practice ID: GA777-081-4

QUESTION 380 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: produces

Find the clue: The subject "a process" needs a complete verb. "produces" supplies that verb. The clause beginning with that describes one process or pattern. It needs a complete singular verb. Produces also expresses a general property. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. Producing is an -ing form without a helper such as is. The clause beginning with that needs a complete verb.

B. Were producing is a complete verb, but were is plural. The subject is the singular process or pattern, so this choice does not agree.

D. "to produce" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "a process" unfinished.

Back to question 380 | Practice ID: GA777-015-1

QUESTION 381 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: served

Find the clue: The subject "her small bookshop near the central market" needs a complete verb. "served" supplies that verb. The clause introduced by how needs its own verb. Recounts belongs to the earlier clause about the speaker. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "serving" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "her small bookshop near the central market" unfinished.

B. "to serve" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "her small bookshop near the central market" unfinished.

D. "having served" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "her small bookshop near the central market" unfinished.

Back to question 381 | Practice ID: GA777-139-1

QUESTION 382 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: provided

Find the clue: The subject "which" needs a complete verb. "provided" supplies that verb. Which refers to the named handbook, guide, manual, or companion. That describing clause needs a complete verb of its own. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "to provide" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "which" unfinished.

C. "providing" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "which" unfinished.

D. "having provided" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "which" unfinished.

Back to question 382 | Practice ID: GA777-185-1

QUESTION 383 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: produces

Find the clue: The subject "a process" needs a complete verb. "produces" supplies that verb. The clause beginning with that describes one process or pattern. It needs a complete singular verb. Produces also expresses a general property. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. Were producing is a complete verb, but were is plural. The subject is the singular process or pattern, so this choice does not agree.

B. "to produce" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "a process" unfinished.

C. Producing is an -ing form without a helper such as is. The clause beginning with that needs a complete verb.

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QUESTION 384 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: served

Find the clue: The subject "her studio behind the old railway station" needs a complete verb. "served" supplies that verb. The clause introduced by how needs its own verb. Recounts belongs to the earlier clause about the speaker. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "having served" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "her studio behind the old railway station" unfinished.

C. "to serve" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "her studio behind the old railway station" unfinished.

D. "serving" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "her studio behind the old railway station" unfinished.

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QUESTION 385 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: provided

Find the clue: The subject "which" needs a complete verb. "provided" supplies that verb. Which refers to the named handbook, guide, manual, or companion. That describing clause needs a complete verb of its own. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "to provide" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "which" unfinished.

B. "having provided" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "which" unfinished.

D. "providing" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "which" unfinished.

Back to question 385 | Practice ID: GA777-185-2

QUESTION 386 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: produces

Find the clue: The subject "a pattern" needs a complete verb. "produces" supplies that verb. The clause beginning with that describes one process or pattern. It needs a complete singular verb. Produces also expresses a general property. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. Producing is an -ing form without a helper such as is. The clause beginning with that needs a complete verb.

C. "to produce" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "a pattern" unfinished.

D. Were producing is a complete verb, but were is plural. The subject is the singular process or pattern, so this choice does not agree.

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QUESTION 387 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: served

Find the clue: The subject "her family home beside the main river crossing" needs a complete verb. "served" supplies that verb. The clause introduced by how needs its own verb. Recounts belongs to the earlier clause about the speaker. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "to serve" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "her family home beside the main river crossing" unfinished.

C. "serving" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "her family home beside the main river crossing" unfinished.

D. "having served" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "her family home beside the main river crossing" unfinished.

Back to question 387 | Practice ID: GA777-139-3

QUESTION 388 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: provided

Find the clue: The subject "which" needs a complete verb. "provided" supplies that verb. Which refers to the named handbook, guide, manual, or companion. That describing clause needs a complete verb of its own. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

B. "providing" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "which" unfinished.

C. "having provided" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "which" unfinished.

D. "to provide" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "which" unfinished.

Back to question 388 | Practice ID: GA777-185-3

QUESTION 389 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: produces

Find the clue: The subject "a process" needs a complete verb. "produces" supplies that verb. The clause beginning with that describes one process or pattern. It needs a complete singular verb. Produces also expresses a general property. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "to produce" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "a process" unfinished.

C. Producing is an -ing form without a helper such as is. The clause beginning with that needs a complete verb.

D. Were producing is a complete verb, but were is plural. The subject is the singular process or pattern, so this choice does not agree.

Back to question 389 | Practice ID: GA777-015-4

QUESTION 390 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: leave

Find the clue: The subject "that" needs a complete verb. "leave" supplies that verb. That refers to the plural films, clouds, sheets, or pools. The interruption beginning with after separates this subject from the complete verb it needs. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "having left" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "that" unfinished.

B. "leaving" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "that" unfinished.

C. "to leave" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "that" unfinished.

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QUESTION 391 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: leave

Find the clue: The subject "that" needs a complete verb. "leave" supplies that verb. That refers to the plural films, clouds, sheets, or pools. The interruption beginning with after separates this subject from the complete verb it needs. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

B. "leaving" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "that" unfinished.

C. "having left" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "that" unfinished.

D. "to leave" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "that" unfinished.

Back to question 391 | Practice ID: GA777-110-2

QUESTION 392 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: leave

Find the clue: The subject "that" needs a complete verb. "leave" supplies that verb. That refers to the plural films, clouds, sheets, or pools. The interruption beginning with after separates this subject from the complete verb it needs. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

B. "leaving" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "that" unfinished.

C. "having left" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "that" unfinished.

D. "to leave" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "that" unfinished.

Back to question 392 | Practice ID: GA777-110-3

QUESTION 393 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: will be

Find the clue: The subject "the rate of seed arrival" needs a complete verb. "will be" supplies that verb. The verb predicts belongs to the model. The that-clause makes a separate prediction about the rate, frequency, or duration and needs its own complete verb. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "to have been" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "the rate of seed arrival" unfinished.

B. "being" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "the rate of seed arrival" unfinished.

C. "to be" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "the rate of seed arrival" unfinished.

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QUESTION 394 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: will be

Find the clue: The subject "the frequency of pedestrian visits" needs a complete verb. "will be" supplies that verb. The verb predicts belongs to the model. The that-clause makes a separate prediction about the rate, frequency, or duration and needs its own complete verb. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "to have been" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "the frequency of pedestrian visits" unfinished.

B. "to be" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "the frequency of pedestrian visits" unfinished.

C. "being" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "the frequency of pedestrian visits" unfinished.

Back to question 394 | Practice ID: GA777-191-2

QUESTION 395 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: will be

Find the clue: The subject "the duration of reflected sound" needs a complete verb. "will be" supplies that verb. The verb predicts belongs to the model. The that-clause makes a separate prediction about the rate, frequency, or duration and needs its own complete verb. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

B. "being" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "the duration of reflected sound" unfinished.

C. "to be" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "the duration of reflected sound" unfinished.

D. "to have been" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "the duration of reflected sound" unfinished.

Back to question 395 | Practice ID: GA777-191-3

QUESTION 396 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: will be

Find the clue: The subject "the rate of document survival" needs a complete verb. "will be" supplies that verb. The verb predicts belongs to the model. The that-clause makes a separate prediction about the rate, frequency, or duration and needs its own complete verb. A verb inside a description does not finish a different clause. Read the main statement without the extra details to check it.

A. "to be" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "the rate of document survival" unfinished.

B. "being" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "the rate of document survival" unfinished.

D. "to have been" does not supply the complete verb needed here. It leaves the statement about "the rate of document survival" unfinished.

Back to question 396 | Practice ID: GA777-191-4

QUESTION 397 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: hung

Find the clue: Look at the two actions joined by and. The artist painted, attached, dyed, or fastened something and then "hung" it. Hung supplies the second complete past action. The final -ing phrase describes the result, not a replacement for that action.

A. "To hang" does not supply the second complete past verb.

C. "Hanging" does not match the complete past action before and.

D. "To have hung" changes the second action into a to-phrase.

Back to question 397 | Practice ID: GA777-123-1

QUESTION 398 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: hung

Find the clue: Look at the two actions joined by and. The artist painted, attached, dyed, or fastened something and then "hung" it. Hung supplies the second complete past action. The final -ing phrase describes the result, not a replacement for that action.

A. "To have hung" changes the second action into a to-phrase.

C. "Hanging" does not match the complete past action before and.

D. "To hang" does not supply the second complete past verb.

Back to question 398 | Practice ID: GA777-123-2

QUESTION 399 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: hung

Find the clue: Look at the two actions joined by and. The artist painted, attached, dyed, or fastened something and then "hung" it. Hung supplies the second complete past action. The final -ing phrase describes the result, not a replacement for that action.

A. "To hang" does not supply the second complete past verb.

B. "To have hung" changes the second action into a to-phrase.

C. "Hanging" does not match the complete past action before and.

Back to question 399 | Practice ID: GA777-123-3

QUESTION 400 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: hung

Find the clue: Look at the two actions joined by and. The artist painted, attached, dyed, or fastened something and then "hung" it. Hung supplies the second complete past action. The final -ing phrase describes the result, not a replacement for that action.

A. "To hang" does not supply the second complete past verb.

B. "To have hung" changes the second action into a to-phrase.

C. "Hanging" does not match the complete past action before and.

Back to question 400 | Practice ID: GA777-123-4

QUESTION 401 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: developed

Find the clue: Ignore the long description between the dashes. The subject she performs two past actions joined by and: she opened, presented, staged, or completed something and "developed" relationships. Both actions need complete past verbs.

A. "Having developed" is a describing form, not the second complete past action.

C. "Developing" does not match the complete past action before and.

D. "To develop" changes the second action into a to-phrase.

Back to question 401 | Practice ID: GA777-060-1

QUESTION 402 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: developed

Find the clue: Ignore the long description between the dashes. The subject she performs two past actions joined by and: she opened, presented, staged, or completed something and "developed" relationships. Both actions need complete past verbs.

B. "Having developed" is a describing form, not the second complete past action.

C. "To develop" changes the second action into a to-phrase.

D. "Developing" does not match the complete past action before and.

Back to question 402 | Practice ID: GA777-060-2

QUESTION 403 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: developed

Find the clue: Ignore the long description between the dashes. The subject she performs two past actions joined by and: she opened, presented, staged, or completed something and "developed" relationships. Both actions need complete past verbs.

A. "To develop" changes the second action into a to-phrase.

C. "Developing" does not match the complete past action before and.

D. "Having developed" is a describing form, not the second complete past action.

Back to question 403 | Practice ID: GA777-060-3

QUESTION 404 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: developed

Find the clue: Ignore the long description between the dashes. The subject she performs two past actions joined by and: she opened, presented, staged, or completed something and "developed" relationships. Both actions need complete past verbs.

A. "To develop" changes the second action into a to-phrase.

B. "Developing" does not match the complete past action before and.

D. "Having developed" is a describing form, not the second complete past action.

Back to question 404 | Practice ID: GA777-060-4

04. Describing Verb Forms & Infinitives

QUESTION 405 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: including

Find the clue: The sentence already states the main action: she developed several items. The phrase after the comma supplies examples. "Including" introduces that list without starting another complete action.

A. "Includes" adds an unconnected complete verb and changes tense.

B. "Will include" adds an unconnected complete verb and moves to the future.

C. "Included" adds an unconnected complete verb.

Back to question 405 | Practice ID: GA777-121-1

QUESTION 406 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: Established

Find the clue: The opening description says that the institution received the action: someone established it. "Established by" supplies that passive description. The institution then has its main verb, became, in the complete sentence that follows.

A. "Establish" does not form the passive description needed before by.

C. "Establishes" is a complete present verb, not the required describing form.

D. "Establishing" makes the institution the doer rather than the thing established.

Back to question 406 | Practice ID: GA777-194-1

QUESTION 407 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: providing

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "the event takes place in the chosen location." Providing attaches information about the resulting conditions to a statement that is already complete. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

A. "this will provide" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

B. "provides" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

D. "it provides" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 407 | Practice ID: GA777-156-1

QUESTION 408 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: forcing

Find the clue: The main statement already says that a resource may become unavailable. The ending describes the result: "forcing" someone to change behavior. The -ing phrase attaches that result to the completed clause without adding another main verb.

A. "To force" would suggest a purpose, but the shortage or blockage is an unintended situation, not an action taken for that purpose.

C. "Forces" adds an unconnected complete verb.

D. "Forced" does not create the needed active result phrase and would add an unjoined past verb.

Back to question 408 | Practice ID: GA777-109-1

QUESTION 409 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: including

Find the clue: The sentence already states the main action: she developed several items. The phrase after the comma supplies examples. "Including" introduces that list without starting another complete action.

B. "Will include" adds an unconnected complete verb and moves to the future.

C. "Included" adds an unconnected complete verb.

D. "Includes" adds an unconnected complete verb and changes tense.

Back to question 409 | Practice ID: GA777-121-2

QUESTION 410 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: Established

Find the clue: The opening description says that the institution received the action: someone established it. "Established by" supplies that passive description. The institution then has its main verb, became, in the complete sentence that follows.

B. "Establishing" makes the institution the doer rather than the thing established.

C. "Establishes" is a complete present verb, not the required describing form.

D. "Establish" does not form the passive description needed before by.

Back to question 410 | Practice ID: GA777-194-2

QUESTION 411 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: providing

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "the event takes place in the chosen location." Providing attaches information about the resulting conditions to a statement that is already complete. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

A. "it provides" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

C. "this will provide" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

D. "provides" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 411 | Practice ID: GA777-156-2

QUESTION 412 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: forcing

Find the clue: The main statement already says that a resource may become unavailable. The ending describes the result: "forcing" someone to change behavior. The -ing phrase attaches that result to the completed clause without adding another main verb.

A. "Forces" adds an unconnected complete verb.

B. "Forced" does not create the needed active result phrase and would add an unjoined past verb.

C. "To force" would suggest a purpose, but the shortage or blockage is an unintended situation, not an action taken for that purpose.

Back to question 412 | Practice ID: GA777-109-2

QUESTION 413 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: including

Find the clue: The sentence already states the main action: she developed several items. The phrase after the comma supplies examples. "Including" introduces that list without starting another complete action.

A. "Will include" adds an unconnected complete verb and moves to the future.

B. "Included" adds an unconnected complete verb.

D. "Includes" adds an unconnected complete verb and changes tense.

Back to question 413 | Practice ID: GA777-121-3

QUESTION 414 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: Established

Find the clue: The opening description says that the institution received the action: someone established it. "Established by" supplies that passive description. The institution then has its main verb, became, in the complete sentence that follows.

A. "Establish" does not form the passive description needed before by.

C. "Establishes" is a complete present verb, not the required describing form.

D. "Establishing" makes the institution the doer rather than the thing established.

Back to question 414 | Practice ID: GA777-194-3

QUESTION 415 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: providing

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "the event takes place in the chosen location." Providing attaches information about the resulting conditions to a statement that is already complete. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

A. "this will provide" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

C. "it provides" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

D. "provides" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 415 | Practice ID: GA777-156-3

QUESTION 416 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: forcing

Find the clue: The main statement already says that a resource may become unavailable. The ending describes the result: "forcing" someone to change behavior. The -ing phrase attaches that result to the completed clause without adding another main verb.

A. "Forced" does not create the needed active result phrase and would add an unjoined past verb.

B. "Forces" adds an unconnected complete verb.

D. "To force" would suggest a purpose, but the shortage or blockage is an unintended situation, not an action taken for that purpose.

Back to question 416 | Practice ID: GA777-109-3

QUESTION 417 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: including

Find the clue: The sentence already states the main action: she developed several items. The phrase after the comma supplies examples. "Including" introduces that list without starting another complete action.

A. "Will include" adds an unconnected complete verb and moves to the future.

B. "Includes" adds an unconnected complete verb and changes tense.

D. "Included" adds an unconnected complete verb.

Back to question 417 | Practice ID: GA777-121-4

QUESTION 418 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: Established

Find the clue: The opening description says that the institution received the action: someone established it. "Established by" supplies that passive description. The institution then has its main verb, became, in the complete sentence that follows.

B. "Establishes" is a complete present verb, not the required describing form.

C. "Establish" does not form the passive description needed before by.

D. "Establishing" makes the institution the doer rather than the thing established.

Back to question 418 | Practice ID: GA777-194-4

QUESTION 419 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: providing

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "the event takes place in the chosen location." Providing attaches information about the resulting conditions to a statement that is already complete. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

B. "provides" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

C. "this will provide" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

D. "it provides" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 419 | Practice ID: GA777-156-4

QUESTION 420 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: distinguished

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "the work draws on a tradition." Distinguished describes the style or tradition. The main sentence already has the complete verb draws. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

B. "is distinguished" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

C. "will be distinguished" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

D. "has been distinguished" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 420 | Practice ID: GA777-144-1

QUESTION 421 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: distinguished

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "the work draws on a tradition." Distinguished describes the style or tradition. The main sentence already has the complete verb draws. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

A. "will be distinguished" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

C. "is distinguished" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

D. "has been distinguished" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 421 | Practice ID: GA777-144-2

QUESTION 422 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: distinguished

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "the work draws on a tradition." Distinguished describes the style or tradition. The main sentence already has the complete verb draws. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

B. "is distinguished" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

C. "has been distinguished" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

D. "will be distinguished" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 422 | Practice ID: GA777-144-3

QUESTION 423 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: Lina Vale, hoping

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "the artist arranges suspended metal sheets throughout rooms that visitors can cross by several different routes." The phrase beginning with hoping describes the artist's purpose. The comma after the name pairs with the comma at the end of that description. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

A. "Lina Vale hopes" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

B. "Lina Vale is hoping" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

C. "Lina Vale, hopes" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 423 | Practice ID: GA777-008-1

QUESTION 424 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: movement,

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "Coordinated movement provides similar benefits." The words widely recognized begin a description between matching commas. Provides is the complete main verb. Adding is or has been would create an extra unconnected verb. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

A. "movement is" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

B. "movement, is" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

C. "movement has been" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 424 | Practice ID: GA777-202-1

QUESTION 425 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: works,

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "the works had been largely absent from public discussion." Highly regarded begins a description of the works. Commas surround that description. Adding were or had been inside it would create an extra complete verb. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

A. "works were" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

B. "works, were" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

C. "works had been" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 425 | Practice ID: GA777-061-1

QUESTION 426 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: changes, including

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "These extensive changes reflected the growing range of observations gathered by her field teams." Including introduces examples of the changes. Reflected is already the sentence's complete main verb. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

A. "changes included" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

B. "changes would include" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

C. "changes, include" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 426 | Practice ID: GA777-105-1

QUESTION 427 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: earning

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "Her broad repertoire gave her work a strong appeal across several generations." Earning introduces the result of that appeal or quality. Gave is already the complete main verb. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

A. "earned" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

B. "had earned" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

C. "earn" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 427 | Practice ID: GA777-161-1

QUESTION 428 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: highly valued

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "this period is associated with ambitious construction and careful attention to local materials." The ending uses a noun plus a describing form: its buildings highly valued. That pattern adds detail without creating a second complete sentence. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

A. "were highly valued" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

B. "are highly valued" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

C. "had been highly valued" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 428 | Practice ID: GA777-133-1

QUESTION 429 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: investigating

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "researchers adapted the test." Investigating tells us what the researchers were studying. Adapted is already their complete main verb. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

A. "investigated" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

C. "have investigated" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

D. "were investigating" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 429 | Practice ID: GA777-004-1

QUESTION 430 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: prioritizing

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "the people used the chosen design." The ending combines a noun with an -ing description: their layout prioritizing. It adds detail without becoming another complete sentence. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

A. "had prioritized" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

B. "prioritized" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

C. "was prioritizing" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

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QUESTION 431 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: seeking

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "the author opens her work with descriptions of footsteps that stop outside an empty room and a letter addressed in an unfamiliar hand." Seeking explains the author's purpose. It is a description between commas, while opens is the main verb. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

A. "is seeking" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

B. "seeks" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

C. "sought" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

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QUESTION 432 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: extending

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "the distinctive weaving tradition continues to attract contemporary makers." Extending describes how far back the tradition goes. The sentence already has its complete main verb, continues. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

A. "extends" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

B. "has extended" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

D. "extend" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 432 | Practice ID: GA777-177-1

QUESTION 433 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: suggesting

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "This hypothesis cannot stand." The long phrase beginning with suggesting identifies the hypothesis. The complete main verb, cannot stand, comes much later. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

A. "has suggested" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

B. "suggests" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

C. "suggested" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

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QUESTION 434 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: surveying

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "Her analysis reveals both patterns." Surveying describes what the analysis or review covers. Reveals, not the blank, is the main verb. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

A. "surveys" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

C. "surveyed" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

D. "had surveyed" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

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QUESTION 435 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: Photographer Lina Vale, having

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "the artist honors its inhabitants through a series of carefully staged portraits." Having described, called, characterized, or referred adds background about the artist. The main verb later in the sentence already tells what the artist does. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

B. "photographer Lina Vale, has" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

C. Without having, the following past-tense word becomes a separate main action. A comma alone cannot properly connect that action to the later main verb.

D. "photographer Lina Vale has" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

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QUESTION 436 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: Mina Rafi, hoping

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "the artist constructs flexible seating arrangements that can be altered by the people using them." The phrase beginning with hoping describes the artist's purpose. The comma after the name pairs with the comma at the end of that description. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

A. "Mina Rafi, hopes" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

B. "Mina Rafi hopes" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

D. "Mina Rafi is hoping" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 436 | Practice ID: GA777-008-2

QUESTION 437 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: movement,

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "Coordinated movement provides similar benefits." The words widely recognized begin a description between matching commas. Provides is the complete main verb. Adding is or has been would create an extra unconnected verb. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

A. "movement, is" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

B. "movement is" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

D. "movement has been" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 437 | Practice ID: GA777-202-2

QUESTION 438 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: designs,

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "the designs had been largely absent from public discussion." Highly regarded begins a description of the works. Commas surround that description. Adding were or had been inside it would create an extra complete verb. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

A. "designs, were" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

B. "designs were" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

D. "designs had been" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

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QUESTION 439 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: changes, including

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "These extensive changes reflected her experience teaching learners with different levels of practical skill." Including introduces examples of the changes. Reflected is already the sentence's complete main verb. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

A. "changes, include" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

C. "changes included" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

D. "changes would include" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 439 | Practice ID: GA777-105-2

QUESTION 440 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: earning

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "Her wide range of influences gave her work a distinctive balance of familiarity and surprise." Earning introduces the result of that appeal or quality. Gave is already the complete main verb. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

B. "earn" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

C. "earned" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

D. "had earned" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 440 | Practice ID: GA777-161-2

QUESTION 441 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: highly valued

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "this period is associated with experimentation with paper, lettering, and binding." The ending uses a noun plus a describing form: its volumes highly valued. That pattern adds detail without creating a second complete sentence. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

A. "had been highly valued" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

C. "were highly valued" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

D. "are highly valued" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 441 | Practice ID: GA777-133-2

QUESTION 442 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: investigating

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "researchers adapted the test." Investigating tells us what the researchers were studying. Adapted is already their complete main verb. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

A. "investigated" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

B. "have investigated" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

C. "were investigating" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 442 | Practice ID: GA777-004-2

QUESTION 443 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: prioritizing

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "the people used the chosen design." The ending combines a noun with an -ing description: their design prioritizing. It adds detail without becoming another complete sentence. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

A. "had prioritized" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

B. "was prioritizing" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

C. "prioritized" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 443 | Practice ID: GA777-196-2

QUESTION 444 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: seeking

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "the author opens her work with images of roads that appear narrower than expected and a house partly hidden by new trees." Seeking explains the author's purpose. It is a description between commas, while opens is the main verb. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

B. "seeks" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

C. "sought" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

D. "is seeking" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 444 | Practice ID: GA777-128-2

QUESTION 445 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: extending

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "the specialized boatbuilding method continues to interest modern designers." Extending describes how far back the tradition goes. The sentence already has its complete main verb, continues. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

A. "has extended" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

C. "extends" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

D. "extend" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 445 | Practice ID: GA777-177-2

QUESTION 446 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: suggesting

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "This hypothesis cannot stand." The long phrase beginning with suggesting identifies the hypothesis. The complete main verb, cannot stand, comes much later. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

B. "has suggested" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

C. "suggests" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

D. "suggested" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 446 | Practice ID: GA777-165-2

QUESTION 447 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: surveying

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "Her comparison reveals both patterns." Surveying describes what the analysis or review covers. Reveals, not the blank, is the main verb. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

A. "had surveyed" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

B. "surveyed" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

D. "surveys" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 447 | Practice ID: GA777-171-2

QUESTION 448 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: Artist Mina Rafi, having

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "the artist celebrates its traditions through detailed images of tools and gestures." Having described, called, characterized, or referred adds background about the artist. The main verb later in the sentence already tells what the artist does. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

A. "artist Mina Rafi has" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

B. "artist Mina Rafi, has" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

C. Without having, the following past-tense word becomes a separate main action. A comma alone cannot properly connect that action to the later main verb.

Back to question 448 | Practice ID: GA777-014-2

QUESTION 449 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: Nora Chen, hoping

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "the artist places small domestic items inside large transparent cases distributed across the gallery." The phrase beginning with hoping describes the artist's purpose. The comma after the name pairs with the comma at the end of that description. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

B. "Nora Chen hopes" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

C. "Nora Chen, hopes" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

D. "Nora Chen is hoping" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 449 | Practice ID: GA777-008-3

QUESTION 450 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: movement,

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "Coordinated movement provides similar benefits." The words widely recognized begin a description between matching commas. Provides is the complete main verb. Adding is or has been would create an extra unconnected verb. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

B. "movement is" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

C. "movement, is" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

D. "movement has been" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 450 | Practice ID: GA777-202-3

QUESTION 451 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: essays,

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "the essays had been largely absent from public discussion." Highly regarded begins a description of the works. Commas surround that description. Adding were or had been inside it would create an extra complete verb. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

A. "essays were" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

B. "essays had been" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

C. "essays, were" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 451 | Practice ID: GA777-061-3

QUESTION 452 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: changes, including

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "These extensive changes reflected her developing understanding of the communities that had shaped the area." Including introduces examples of the changes. Reflected is already the sentence's complete main verb. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

A. "changes, include" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

C. "changes included" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

D. "changes would include" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 452 | Practice ID: GA777-105-3

QUESTION 453 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: earning

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "Her varied approach to observation gave her work an unusually intimate quality." Earning introduces the result of that appeal or quality. Gave is already the complete main verb. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

B. "earned" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

C. "had earned" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

D. "earn" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 453 | Practice ID: GA777-161-3

QUESTION 454 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: highly valued

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "this period is associated with rapid observation and an interest in changing weather." The ending uses a noun plus a describing form: its works highly valued. That pattern adds detail without creating a second complete sentence. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

A. "were highly valued" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

B. "are highly valued" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

D. "had been highly valued" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 454 | Practice ID: GA777-133-3

QUESTION 455 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: investigating

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "researchers adapted the test." Investigating tells us what the researchers were studying. Adapted is already their complete main verb. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

A. "investigated" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

B. "were investigating" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

C. "have investigated" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 455 | Practice ID: GA777-004-3

QUESTION 456 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: prioritizing

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "the people used the chosen design." The ending combines a noun with an -ing description: their arrangement prioritizing. It adds detail without becoming another complete sentence. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

A. "was prioritizing" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

B. "prioritized" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

D. "had prioritized" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 456 | Practice ID: GA777-196-3

QUESTION 457 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: seeking

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "the author opens her work with references to a blocked stone stairway and a faint line of lettering beneath fresh paint." Seeking explains the author's purpose. It is a description between commas, while opens is the main verb. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

A. "seeks" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

B. "is seeking" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

D. "sought" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 457 | Practice ID: GA777-128-3

QUESTION 458 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: extending

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "the local woodworking practice continues to appeal to new audiences." Extending describes how far back the tradition goes. The sentence already has its complete main verb, continues. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

A. "has extended" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

B. "extend" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

D. "extends" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 458 | Practice ID: GA777-177-3

QUESTION 459 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: suggesting

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "This hypothesis cannot stand." The long phrase beginning with suggesting identifies the hypothesis. The complete main verb, cannot stand, comes much later. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

A. "suggested" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

B. "suggests" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

C. "has suggested" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 459 | Practice ID: GA777-165-3

QUESTION 460 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: surveying

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "Her review reveals both patterns." Surveying describes what the analysis or review covers. Reveals, not the blank, is the main verb. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

B. "had surveyed" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

C. "surveys" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

D. "surveyed" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 460 | Practice ID: GA777-171-3

QUESTION 461 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: Documentary artist Nora Chen, having

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "the artist explores its history through portraits accompanied by short personal accounts." Having described, called, characterized, or referred adds background about the artist. The main verb later in the sentence already tells what the artist does. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

A. Without having, the following past-tense word becomes a separate main action. A comma alone cannot properly connect that action to the later main verb.

C. "documentary artist Nora Chen has" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

D. "documentary artist Nora Chen, has" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 461 | Practice ID: GA777-014-3

QUESTION 462 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: movement,

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "Coordinated movement provides similar benefits." The words widely recognized begin a description between matching commas. Provides is the complete main verb. Adding is or has been would create an extra unconnected verb. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

B. "movement is" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

C. "movement, is" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

D. "movement has been" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 462 | Practice ID: GA777-202-4

QUESTION 463 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: changes, including

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "These extensive changes reflected the changing condition of the district and the emergence of new archival evidence." Including introduces examples of the changes. Reflected is already the sentence's complete main verb. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

A. "changes, include" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

B. "changes would include" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

C. "changes included" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 463 | Practice ID: GA777-105-4

QUESTION 464 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: earning

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "Her expansive musical vocabulary gave her work a recognizable yet unpredictable character." Earning introduces the result of that appeal or quality. Gave is already the complete main verb. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

A. "had earned" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

B. "earned" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

D. "earn" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 464 | Practice ID: GA777-161-4

QUESTION 465 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: investigating

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "researchers adapted the test." Investigating tells us what the researchers were studying. Adapted is already their complete main verb. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

A. "investigated" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

C. "were investigating" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

D. "have investigated" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 465 | Practice ID: GA777-004-4

QUESTION 466 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: prioritizing

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "the people used the chosen design." The ending combines a noun with an -ing description: their plan prioritizing. It adds detail without becoming another complete sentence. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

B. "had prioritized" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

C. "was prioritizing" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

D. "prioritized" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 466 | Practice ID: GA777-196-4

QUESTION 467 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: seeking

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "the author opens her work with brief scenes of opening shutters, arriving buses, and vendors arranging goods beside crowded pavements." Seeking explains the author's purpose. It is a description between commas, while opens is the main verb. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

A. "seeks" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

C. "sought" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

D. "is seeking" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 467 | Practice ID: GA777-128-4

QUESTION 468 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: extending

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "the particular binding technique continues to influence younger craftspeople." Extending describes how far back the tradition goes. The sentence already has its complete main verb, continues. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

A. "extend" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

B. "has extended" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

C. "extends" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 468 | Practice ID: GA777-177-4

QUESTION 469 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: suggesting

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "This hypothesis cannot stand." The long phrase beginning with suggesting identifies the hypothesis. The complete main verb, cannot stand, comes much later. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

A. "suggested" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

C. "suggests" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

D. "has suggested" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 469 | Practice ID: GA777-165-4

QUESTION 470 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: surveying

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "Her investigation reveals both patterns." Surveying describes what the analysis or review covers. Reveals, not the blank, is the main verb. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

A. "surveys" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

C. "had surveyed" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

D. "surveyed" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 470 | Practice ID: GA777-171-4

QUESTION 471 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: Designer Dalia Vale, having

Find the clue: Find the complete sentence underneath the details: "the artist presents its participants in vivid compositions surrounded by their plants." Having described, called, characterized, or referred adds background about the artist. The main verb later in the sentence already tells what the artist does. The blank must add a description, not another unconnected complete verb.

A. "designer Dalia Vale has" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

B. Without having, the following past-tense word becomes a separate main action. A comma alone cannot properly connect that action to the later main verb.

C. "designer Dalia Vale, has" adds a complete verb that is not properly joined to the main statement. A describing phrase is needed here.

Back to question 471 | Practice ID: GA777-014-4

QUESTION 472 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: to replenish

Find the clue: The pattern is "need to do something." Need is already the complete verb; to replenish explains what the people need to do. Replenish means refill or replace a supply that has been used.

A. "Need replenish" is missing to in this positive statement.

B. "Need replenishing" would suggest that the people themselves need to be replenished, not that they need to refill a supply.

C. "Need will replenish" wrongly puts two verb patterns together.

Back to question 472 | Practice ID: GA777-066-1

QUESTION 473 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: to present

Find the clue: The complete verb decided is already present. The pattern is "decided to do something." "To present" finishes the meaning by naming what the organizers decided to do.

A. "Decided presenting" does not fit this verb pattern.

B. "Decided presented" wrongly places two verb forms together.

C. "Decided present" is missing to.

Back to question 473 | Practice ID: GA777-037-1

QUESTION 474 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: to reconstruct

Find the clue: The complete verb uses is already present. The blank explains the purpose of using the evidence: to reconstruct an earlier situation. Use the pattern "uses something to do something."

A. "Reconstructed" adds an unjoined complete verb.

C. "Reconstructs" adds an unjoined complete verb.

D. "Has reconstructed" adds an unjoined complete verb.

Back to question 474 | Practice ID: GA777-207-1

QUESTION 475 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: to broaden

Find the clue: The sentence already uses the complete verb seeks. Ask what the organization seeks to do: to broaden the idea. This is the standard pattern "seeks to do something."

A. "Seeks has broadened" does not fit the required pattern.

C. "Seeks broadens" is missing the to-form needed after seeks.

D. "Seeks is broadening" wrongly stacks complete verbs.

Back to question 475 | Practice ID: GA777-042-1

QUESTION 476 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: to enter

Find the clue: The sentence already says that she left her position. The blank explains why: to enter another program. The to-form expresses purpose without adding an unconnected complete action.

B. "Is entering" adds an unjoined complete verb and shifts to the present.

C. "Entered" would need a connection such as and before it.

D. "Enters" adds an unjoined complete verb and changes the time.

Back to question 476 | Practice ID: GA777-189-1

QUESTION 477 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: to recount

Find the clue: The sentence already says that the creator uses a particular form. The blank explains the purpose: to recount a story. Ignore "rather than" and its comparison to see the pattern "uses something to do something."

B. "Is recounting" creates the same extra-verb problem.

C. "Recounts" adds an unjoined complete verb.

D. "Recounted" adds an unjoined complete verb.

Back to question 477 | Practice ID: GA777-056-1

QUESTION 478 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: to replenish

Find the clue: The pattern is "need to do something." Need is already the complete verb; to replenish explains what the people need to do. Replenish means refill or replace a supply that has been used.

A. "Need replenish" is missing to in this positive statement.

B. "Need will replenish" wrongly puts two verb patterns together.

D. "Need replenishing" would suggest that the people themselves need to be replenished, not that they need to refill a supply.

Back to question 478 | Practice ID: GA777-066-2

QUESTION 479 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: to present

Find the clue: The complete verb decided is already present. The pattern is "decided to do something." "To present" finishes the meaning by naming what the organizers decided to do.

A. "Decided present" is missing to.

B. "Decided presented" wrongly places two verb forms together.

D. "Decided presenting" does not fit this verb pattern.

Back to question 479 | Practice ID: GA777-037-2

QUESTION 480 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: to reconstruct

Find the clue: The complete verb uses is already present. The blank explains the purpose of using the evidence: to reconstruct an earlier situation. Use the pattern "uses something to do something."

A. "Reconstructs" adds an unjoined complete verb.

B. "Has reconstructed" adds an unjoined complete verb.

D. "Reconstructed" adds an unjoined complete verb.

Back to question 480 | Practice ID: GA777-207-2

QUESTION 481 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: to broaden

Find the clue: The sentence already uses the complete verb seeks. Ask what the organization seeks to do: to broaden the idea. This is the standard pattern "seeks to do something."

A. "Seeks is broadening" wrongly stacks complete verbs.

C. "Seeks has broadened" does not fit the required pattern.

D. "Seeks broadens" is missing the to-form needed after seeks.

Back to question 481 | Practice ID: GA777-042-2

QUESTION 482 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: to enter

Find the clue: The sentence already says that she left her position. The blank explains why: to enter another program. The to-form expresses purpose without adding an unconnected complete action.

A. "Is entering" adds an unjoined complete verb and shifts to the present.

B. "Enters" adds an unjoined complete verb and changes the time.

D. "Entered" would need a connection such as and before it.

Back to question 482 | Practice ID: GA777-189-2

QUESTION 483 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: to recount

Find the clue: The sentence already says that the creator uses a particular form. The blank explains the purpose: to recount a story. Ignore "rather than" and its comparison to see the pattern "uses something to do something."

A. "Is recounting" creates the same extra-verb problem.

B. "Recounts" adds an unjoined complete verb.

D. "Recounted" adds an unjoined complete verb.

Back to question 483 | Practice ID: GA777-056-2

QUESTION 484 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: to replenish

Find the clue: The pattern is "need to do something." Need is already the complete verb; to replenish explains what the people need to do. Replenish means refill or replace a supply that has been used.

B. "Need replenish" is missing to in this positive statement.

C. "Need will replenish" wrongly puts two verb patterns together.

D. "Need replenishing" would suggest that the people themselves need to be replenished, not that they need to refill a supply.

Back to question 484 | Practice ID: GA777-066-3

QUESTION 485 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: to present

Find the clue: The complete verb decided is already present. The pattern is "decided to do something." "To present" finishes the meaning by naming what the organizers decided to do.

A. "Decided presenting" does not fit this verb pattern.

B. "Decided present" is missing to.

C. "Decided presented" wrongly places two verb forms together.

Back to question 485 | Practice ID: GA777-037-3

QUESTION 486 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: to reconstruct

Find the clue: The complete verb uses is already present. The blank explains the purpose of using the evidence: to reconstruct an earlier situation. Use the pattern "uses something to do something."

A. "Reconstructs" adds an unjoined complete verb.

B. "Reconstructed" adds an unjoined complete verb.

D. "Has reconstructed" adds an unjoined complete verb.

Back to question 486 | Practice ID: GA777-207-3

QUESTION 487 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: to broaden

Find the clue: The sentence already uses the complete verb seeks. Ask what the organization seeks to do: to broaden the idea. This is the standard pattern "seeks to do something."

A. "Seeks has broadened" does not fit the required pattern.

B. "Seeks is broadening" wrongly stacks complete verbs.

D. "Seeks broadens" is missing the to-form needed after seeks.

Back to question 487 | Practice ID: GA777-042-3

QUESTION 488 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: to enter

Find the clue: The sentence already says that she left her position. The blank explains why: to enter another program. The to-form expresses purpose without adding an unconnected complete action.

A. "Is entering" adds an unjoined complete verb and shifts to the present.

B. "Enters" adds an unjoined complete verb and changes the time.

D. "Entered" would need a connection such as and before it.

Back to question 488 | Practice ID: GA777-189-3

QUESTION 489 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: to recount

Find the clue: The sentence already says that the creator uses a particular form. The blank explains the purpose: to recount a story. Ignore "rather than" and its comparison to see the pattern "uses something to do something."

A. "Recounted" adds an unjoined complete verb.

B. "Is recounting" creates the same extra-verb problem.

D. "Recounts" adds an unjoined complete verb.

Back to question 489 | Practice ID: GA777-056-3

QUESTION 490 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: to replenish

Find the clue: The pattern is "need to do something." Need is already the complete verb; to replenish explains what the people need to do. Replenish means refill or replace a supply that has been used.

B. "Need replenish" is missing to in this positive statement.

C. "Need replenishing" would suggest that the people themselves need to be replenished, not that they need to refill a supply.

D. "Need will replenish" wrongly puts two verb patterns together.

Back to question 490 | Practice ID: GA777-066-4

QUESTION 491 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: to broaden

Find the clue: The sentence already uses the complete verb seeks. Ask what the organization seeks to do: to broaden the idea. This is the standard pattern "seeks to do something."

A. "Seeks is broadening" wrongly stacks complete verbs.

C. "Seeks broadens" is missing the to-form needed after seeks.

D. "Seeks has broadened" does not fit the required pattern.

Back to question 491 | Practice ID: GA777-042-4

QUESTION 492 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: to enter

Find the clue: The sentence already says that she left her position. The blank explains why: to enter another program. The to-form expresses purpose without adding an unconnected complete action.

A. "Enters" adds an unjoined complete verb and changes the time.

C. "Entered" would need a connection such as and before it.

D. "Is entering" adds an unjoined complete verb and shifts to the present.

Back to question 492 | Practice ID: GA777-189-4

QUESTION 493 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: to recount

Find the clue: The sentence already says that the creator uses a particular form. The blank explains the purpose: to recount a story. Ignore "rather than" and its comparison to see the pattern "uses something to do something."

B. "Recounted" adds an unjoined complete verb.

C. "Is recounting" creates the same extra-verb problem.

D. "Recounts" adds an unjoined complete verb.

Back to question 493 | Practice ID: GA777-056-4

QUESTION 494 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: to demonstrate

Find the clue: The sentence already has the complete verb was. The useful pattern is "the first to do something." To demonstrate explains what the finding was the first to establish. It is not another main verb.

A. "The first demonstrates" does not fit the required structure.

B. "The first demonstrate" is missing to.

C. "The first demonstrated" does not express what the finding was first to do.

Back to question 494 | Practice ID: GA777-064-1

QUESTION 495 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: to compare

Find the clue: The pattern is "enables someone to do something." The named person is an example of the people using the system. To compare completes what the system enables those people to do.

A. "Enables someone compare" is missing to.

B. "Enables someone compared" does not fit the required pattern.

D. "Enables someone comparing" does not fit the required pattern.

Back to question 495 | Practice ID: GA777-175-1

QUESTION 496 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: to demonstrate

Find the clue: The sentence already has the complete verb was. The useful pattern is "the first to do something." To demonstrate explains what the finding was the first to establish. It is not another main verb.

A. "The first demonstrate" is missing to.

B. "The first demonstrated" does not express what the finding was first to do.

D. "The first demonstrates" does not fit the required structure.

Back to question 496 | Practice ID: GA777-064-2

QUESTION 497 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: to compare

Find the clue: The pattern is "enables someone to do something." The named person is an example of the people using the system. To compare completes what the system enables those people to do.

A. "Enables someone comparing" does not fit the required pattern.

C. "Enables someone compare" is missing to.

D. "Enables someone compared" does not fit the required pattern.

Back to question 497 | Practice ID: GA777-175-2

QUESTION 498 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: to demonstrate

Find the clue: The sentence already has the complete verb was. The useful pattern is "the first to do something." To demonstrate explains what the finding was the first to establish. It is not another main verb.

A. "The first demonstrated" does not express what the finding was first to do.

C. "The first demonstrates" does not fit the required structure.

D. "The first demonstrate" is missing to.

Back to question 498 | Practice ID: GA777-064-3

QUESTION 499 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: to compare

Find the clue: The pattern is "enables someone to do something." The named person is an example of the people using the system. To compare completes what the system enables those people to do.

A. "Enables someone comparing" does not fit the required pattern.

B. "Enables someone compared" does not fit the required pattern.

D. "Enables someone compare" is missing to.

Back to question 499 | Practice ID: GA777-175-3

QUESTION 500 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: to demonstrate

Find the clue: The sentence already has the complete verb was. The useful pattern is "the first to do something." To demonstrate explains what the finding was the first to establish. It is not another main verb.

B. "The first demonstrate" is missing to.

C. "The first demonstrates" does not fit the required structure.

D. "The first demonstrated" does not express what the finding was first to do.

Back to question 500 | Practice ID: GA777-064-4

QUESTION 501 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: to compare

Find the clue: The pattern is "enables someone to do something." The named person is an example of the people using the system. To compare completes what the system enables those people to do.

A. "Enables someone comparing" does not fit the required pattern.

B. "Enables someone compare" is missing to.

C. "Enables someone compared" does not fit the required pattern.

Back to question 501 | Practice ID: GA777-175-4

QUESTION 502 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: to produce

Find the clue: The researchers already re-created and modified a structure. Why did they do so? To produce a new device or material. The to-form states that purpose without adding an unconnected main action.

B. Without a separating comma, "producing" attaches awkwardly to the structure just named, making it seem to produce the new object itself.

C. "And producing" does not match the complete past verbs re-created and modified.

D. "Produced" adds a complete past action without a joining word such as and.

Back to question 502 | Practice ID: GA777-053-1

QUESTION 503 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: to produce

Find the clue: The researchers already re-created and modified a structure. Why did they do so? To produce a new device or material. The to-form states that purpose without adding an unconnected main action.

A. "And producing" does not match the complete past verbs re-created and modified.

B. "Produced" adds a complete past action without a joining word such as and.

C. Without a separating comma, "producing" attaches awkwardly to the structure just named, making it seem to produce the new object itself.

Back to question 503 | Practice ID: GA777-053-2

QUESTION 504 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: to produce

Find the clue: The researchers already re-created and modified a structure. Why did they do so? To produce a new device or material. The to-form states that purpose without adding an unconnected main action.

B. "And producing" does not match the complete past verbs re-created and modified.

C. Without a separating comma, "producing" attaches awkwardly to the structure just named, making it seem to produce the new object itself.

D. "Produced" adds a complete past action without a joining word such as and.

Back to question 504 | Practice ID: GA777-053-3

QUESTION 505 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: create

Find the clue: The helper would applies to both actions: would slow, redirect, guide, or circulate and would create. After would, use the plain verb form create. The second action shares the helper rather than choosing a new tense.

A. "Creating" does not fit after would without an additional helper such as be.

C. "Creates" has an -s ending that cannot follow would here.

D. "Created" is not the plain form required after would.

Back to question 505 | Practice ID: GA777-072-1

QUESTION 506 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: create

Find the clue: The helper would applies to both actions: would slow, redirect, guide, or circulate and would create. After would, use the plain verb form create. The second action shares the helper rather than choosing a new tense.

A. "Creates" has an -s ending that cannot follow would here.

B. "Created" is not the plain form required after would.

C. "Creating" does not fit after would without an additional helper such as be.

Back to question 506 | Practice ID: GA777-072-2

QUESTION 507 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: create

Find the clue: The helper would applies to both actions: would slow, redirect, guide, or circulate and would create. After would, use the plain verb form create. The second action shares the helper rather than choosing a new tense.

B. "Creating" does not fit after would without an additional helper such as be.

C. "Created" is not the plain form required after would.

D. "Creates" has an -s ending that cannot follow would here.

Back to question 507 | Practice ID: GA777-072-3

QUESTION 508 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: create

Find the clue: The helper would applies to both actions: would slow, redirect, guide, or circulate and would create. After would, use the plain verb form create. The second action shares the helper rather than choosing a new tense.

A. "Creates" has an -s ending that cannot follow would here.

B. "Creating" does not fit after would without an additional helper such as be.

D. "Created" is not the plain form required after would.

Back to question 508 | Practice ID: GA777-072-4

05. Pronouns & Matching Reference Words

QUESTION 509 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: they

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "residents." The sentence asks about the wishes of those plural people. They keeps the same reference without suddenly addressing the reader or changing to one person. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. One changes the plural group to an unspecified individual.

B. It is singular and does not refer to the people being asked.

C. You shifts the reference to the reader.

Back to question 509 | Practice ID: GA777-046-1

QUESTION 510 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: them

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "these works." The earlier nouns name multiple poems, sketches, observations, or notes. Them is the plural object pronoun needed after of. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

B. It is singular.

C. This is singular.

D. That is singular.

Back to question 510 | Practice ID: GA777-134-1

QUESTION 511 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: it

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "The human visual system." The reference is one system or device, not the researcher named afterward. It is the singular pronoun used for that nonhuman thing. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. They is plural here.

B. She would refer to a person, not this system or device.

D. Those is plural.

Back to question 511 | Practice ID: GA777-118-1

QUESTION 512 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: them

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "the cards." The reference is plural and receives the action of considered. Them is the plural object pronoun that fits. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. That is singular.

C. It is singular.

D. This is singular.

Back to question 512 | Practice ID: GA777-038-1

QUESTION 513 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: it uses

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "cartography." This phrase is treated as singular. It keeps the second part of the sentence focused on the same activity or field named before the colon. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. They is plural here, unlike the singular field or activity.

C. We changes the subject to the writer and readers.

D. One changes the reference to an unspecified person or example.

Back to question 513 | Practice ID: GA777-057-1

QUESTION 514 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: She

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "Artist Lina Vale." One artist created the later installations. She refers to that person. The materials and objects do not become the people making the art. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. Both means two, but the passage names one creator.

B. Those is plural and does not refer to the artist.

C. They all refers to a group, but only one creator is named.

Back to question 514 | Practice ID: GA777-094-1

QUESTION 515 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: It

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "Thematic cataloging." The last sentence explains one approach just introduced. It clearly points to that singular approach. The plural records, forms, or scenes in the descriptions do not control this pronoun. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. Some does not clearly identify the one approach and does not fit singular involves.

C. Those is plural.

D. They is plural here.

Back to question 515 | Practice ID: GA777-138-1

QUESTION 516 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: it was

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "the Eastmere Assembly Hall." The passage names one specific building. It refers directly to that building, and was fits the past construction dates. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. They were is plural.

B. Both were means two buildings, but only one is being discussed.

D. One was suggests an unspecified building rather than clearly continuing this reference.

Back to question 516 | Practice ID: GA777-204-1

QUESTION 517 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: they

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "These tiny devices." The sentence refers to several objects. They keeps the plural reference through the two abilities being described. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. It is singular.

C. That is singular.

D. He refers to one person, not the plural objects.

Back to question 517 | Practice ID: GA777-090-1

QUESTION 518 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: it

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "an individual object, sheet, or component." The sentence follows one thing being considered for use. It carries that singular reference into the final phrase. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. Them is plural.

B. These is plural.

D. Those is plural.

Back to question 518 | Practice ID: GA777-166-1

QUESTION 519 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: they

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "workers." The sentence asks about the wishes of those plural people. They keeps the same reference without suddenly addressing the reader or changing to one person. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. You shifts the reference to the reader.

C. It is singular and does not refer to the people being asked.

D. One changes the plural group to an unspecified individual.

Back to question 519 | Practice ID: GA777-046-2

QUESTION 520 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: them

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "these works." The earlier nouns name multiple poems, sketches, observations, or notes. Them is the plural object pronoun needed after of. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. This is singular.

B. It is singular.

D. That is singular.

Back to question 520 | Practice ID: GA777-134-2

QUESTION 521 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: it

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "The museum's search system." The reference is one system or device, not the researcher named afterward. It is the singular pronoun used for that nonhuman thing. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. They is plural here.

B. Those is plural.

D. She would refer to a person, not this system or device.

Back to question 521 | Practice ID: GA777-118-2

QUESTION 522 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: them

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "the slates." The reference is plural and receives the action of considered. Them is the plural object pronoun that fits. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. That is singular.

B. This is singular.

D. It is singular.

Back to question 522 | Practice ID: GA777-038-2

QUESTION 523 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: it uses

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "oral history." This phrase is treated as singular. It keeps the second part of the sentence focused on the same activity or field named before the colon. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. They is plural here, unlike the singular field or activity.

B. We changes the subject to the writer and readers.

C. One changes the reference to an unspecified person or example.

Back to question 523 | Practice ID: GA777-057-2

QUESTION 524 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: She

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "Artist Mina Rafi." One artist created the later installations. She refers to that person. The materials and objects do not become the people making the art. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. Both means two, but the passage names one creator.

C. Those is plural and does not refer to the artist.

D. They all refers to a group, but only one creator is named.

Back to question 524 | Practice ID: GA777-094-2

QUESTION 525 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: It

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "Memory drawing." The last sentence explains one approach just introduced. It clearly points to that singular approach. The plural records, forms, or scenes in the descriptions do not control this pronoun. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

B. Some does not clearly identify the one approach and does not fit singular involves.

C. They is plural here.

D. Those is plural.

Back to question 525 | Practice ID: GA777-138-2

QUESTION 526 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: it was

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "the Harbor Research Institute." The passage names one specific building. It refers directly to that building, and was fits the past construction dates. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

B. Both were means two buildings, but only one is being discussed.

C. One was suggests an unspecified building rather than clearly continuing this reference.

D. They were is plural.

Back to question 526 | Practice ID: GA777-204-2

QUESTION 527 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: they

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "These small instruments." The sentence refers to several objects. They keeps the plural reference through the two abilities being described. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. He refers to one person, not the plural objects.

B. That is singular.

D. It is singular.

Back to question 527 | Practice ID: GA777-090-2

QUESTION 528 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: it

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "an individual object, sheet, or component." The sentence follows one thing being considered for use. It carries that singular reference into the final phrase. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. Those is plural.

C. Them is plural.

D. These is plural.

Back to question 528 | Practice ID: GA777-166-2

QUESTION 529 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: they

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "neighbors." The sentence asks about the wishes of those plural people. They keeps the same reference without suddenly addressing the reader or changing to one person. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. It is singular and does not refer to the people being asked.

B. One changes the plural group to an unspecified individual.

D. You shifts the reference to the reader.

Back to question 529 | Practice ID: GA777-046-3

QUESTION 530 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: them

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "these works." The earlier nouns name multiple poems, sketches, observations, or notes. Them is the plural object pronoun needed after of. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. That is singular.

B. This is singular.

D. It is singular.

Back to question 530 | Practice ID: GA777-134-3

QUESTION 531 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: it

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "The laboratory's monitoring device." The reference is one system or device, not the researcher named afterward. It is the singular pronoun used for that nonhuman thing. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. She would refer to a person, not this system or device.

B. Those is plural.

C. They is plural here.

Back to question 531 | Practice ID: GA777-118-3

QUESTION 532 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: them

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "the machines." The reference is plural and receives the action of considered. Them is the plural object pronoun that fits. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. That is singular.

B. It is singular.

C. This is singular.

Back to question 532 | Practice ID: GA777-038-3

QUESTION 533 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: it uses

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "community gardening." This phrase is treated as singular. It keeps the second part of the sentence focused on the same activity or field named before the colon. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. One changes the reference to an unspecified person or example.

B. We changes the subject to the writer and readers.

D. They is plural here, unlike the singular field or activity.

Back to question 533 | Practice ID: GA777-057-3

QUESTION 534 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: She

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "Artist Nora Chen." One artist created the later installations. She refers to that person. The materials and objects do not become the people making the art. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. They all refers to a group, but only one creator is named.

B. Both means two, but the passage names one creator.

D. Those is plural and does not refer to the artist.

Back to question 534 | Practice ID: GA777-094-3

QUESTION 535 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: It

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "Experimental monitoring." The last sentence explains one approach just introduced. It clearly points to that singular approach. The plural records, forms, or scenes in the descriptions do not control this pronoun. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. Those is plural.

B. They is plural here.

C. Some does not clearly identify the one approach and does not fit singular involves.

Back to question 535 | Practice ID: GA777-138-3

QUESTION 536 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: it was

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "the Northern Public Library." The passage names one specific building. It refers directly to that building, and was fits the past construction dates. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. They were is plural.

B. Both were means two buildings, but only one is being discussed.

C. One was suggests an unspecified building rather than clearly continuing this reference.

Back to question 536 | Practice ID: GA777-204-3

QUESTION 537 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: they

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "These narrow panels." The sentence refers to several objects. They keeps the plural reference through the two abilities being described. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

B. He refers to one person, not the plural objects.

C. That is singular.

D. It is singular.

Back to question 537 | Practice ID: GA777-090-3

QUESTION 538 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: it

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "an individual object, sheet, or component." The sentence follows one thing being considered for use. It carries that singular reference into the final phrase. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

B. Them is plural.

C. Those is plural.

D. These is plural.

Back to question 538 | Practice ID: GA777-166-3

QUESTION 539 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: them

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "these works." The earlier nouns name multiple poems, sketches, observations, or notes. Them is the plural object pronoun needed after of. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

B. That is singular.

C. It is singular.

D. This is singular.

Back to question 539 | Practice ID: GA777-134-4

QUESTION 540 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: them

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "the signs." The reference is plural and receives the action of considered. Them is the plural object pronoun that fits. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. It is singular.

B. This is singular.

D. That is singular.

Back to question 540 | Practice ID: GA777-038-4

QUESTION 541 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: it uses

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "curatorial practice." This phrase is treated as singular. It keeps the second part of the sentence focused on the same activity or field named before the colon. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. They is plural here, unlike the singular field or activity.

B. One changes the reference to an unspecified person or example.

D. We changes the subject to the writer and readers.

Back to question 541 | Practice ID: GA777-057-4

QUESTION 542 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: She

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "Artist Dalia Hart." One artist created the later installations. She refers to that person. The materials and objects do not become the people making the art. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

B. Both means two, but the passage names one creator.

C. Those is plural and does not refer to the artist.

D. They all refers to a group, but only one creator is named.

Back to question 542 | Practice ID: GA777-094-4

QUESTION 543 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: It

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "Associative editing." The last sentence explains one approach just introduced. It clearly points to that singular approach. The plural records, forms, or scenes in the descriptions do not control this pronoun. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. They is plural here.

C. Those is plural.

D. Some does not clearly identify the one approach and does not fit singular involves.

Back to question 543 | Practice ID: GA777-138-4

QUESTION 544 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: they

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "These portable implements." The sentence refers to several objects. They keeps the plural reference through the two abilities being described. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. It is singular.

B. That is singular.

D. He refers to one person, not the plural objects.

Back to question 544 | Practice ID: GA777-090-4

QUESTION 545 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: it

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "an individual object, sheet, or component." The sentence follows one thing being considered for use. It carries that singular reference into the final phrase. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. Those is plural.

B. Them is plural.

D. These is plural.

Back to question 545 | Practice ID: GA777-166-4

QUESTION 546 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: it

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "Water in the shallow basin." Water, air, light, or sand is treated as a singular amount here. It refers to that material. The plural forces or objects affecting it are not the intended reference. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. Those is plural.

C. These is plural.

D. Them is plural.

Back to question 546 | Practice ID: GA777-049-1

QUESTION 547 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: they were

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "two prints." The two named artworks are the things displayed. They refers to both, and were is the matching plural verb. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

B. It was is singular.

C. Some were does not clearly identify the two specific works just named.

D. This was is singular.

Back to question 547 | Practice ID: GA777-148-1

QUESTION 548 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: it

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "a traditional chair." The current sentence focuses on one object being redesigned. It refers to that whole object, not to the plural sections, curves, or edges being changed. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. Both means two, but the reference is one object.

B. Them is plural and could incorrectly point to the parts.

D. Those is plural.

Back to question 548 | Practice ID: GA777-176-1

QUESTION 549 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: they carry

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "streams such as Willow Creek." The sentence makes a general statement about plural streams, institutions, wetlands, or collections. They matches that plural reference; the named example does not replace it. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

B. We changes the subject to the writer and readers.

C. It is singular, but the general subject is plural.

D. One changes to a singular reference.

Back to question 549 | Practice ID: GA777-120-1

QUESTION 550 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: it

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "Air inside the exhibition chamber." Water, air, light, or sand is treated as a singular amount here. It refers to that material. The plural forces or objects affecting it are not the intended reference. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. Them is plural.

B. These is plural.

C. Those is plural.

Back to question 550 | Practice ID: GA777-049-2

QUESTION 551 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: they were

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "two watercolors." The two named artworks are the things displayed. They refers to both, and were is the matching plural verb. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. It was is singular.

C. Some were does not clearly identify the two specific works just named.

D. This was is singular.

Back to question 551 | Practice ID: GA777-148-2

QUESTION 552 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: it

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "a traditional instrument." The current sentence focuses on one object being redesigned. It refers to that whole object, not to the plural sections, curves, or edges being changed. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. Those is plural.

B. Them is plural and could incorrectly point to the parts.

D. Both means two, but the reference is one object.

Back to question 552 | Practice ID: GA777-176-2

QUESTION 553 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: they combine

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "institutions such as the Harbor Museum." The sentence makes a general statement about plural streams, institutions, wetlands, or collections. They matches that plural reference; the named example does not replace it. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

B. One changes to a singular reference.

C. We changes the subject to the writer and readers.

D. It is singular, but the general subject is plural.

Back to question 553 | Practice ID: GA777-120-2

QUESTION 554 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: it

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "Light entering the instrument." Water, air, light, or sand is treated as a singular amount here. It refers to that material. The plural forces or objects affecting it are not the intended reference. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

B. These is plural.

C. Those is plural.

D. Them is plural.

Back to question 554 | Practice ID: GA777-049-3

QUESTION 555 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: they were

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "two photographs." The two named artworks are the things displayed. They refers to both, and were is the matching plural verb. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. It was is singular.

B. This was is singular.

D. Some were does not clearly identify the two specific works just named.

Back to question 555 | Practice ID: GA777-148-3

QUESTION 556 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: it

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "a traditional stand." The current sentence focuses on one object being redesigned. It refers to that whole object, not to the plural sections, curves, or edges being changed. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. Those is plural.

C. Them is plural and could incorrectly point to the parts.

D. Both means two, but the reference is one object.

Back to question 556 | Practice ID: GA777-176-3

QUESTION 557 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: they receive

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "wetlands such as North Marsh." The sentence makes a general statement about plural streams, institutions, wetlands, or collections. They matches that plural reference; the named example does not replace it. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

B. It is singular, but the general subject is plural.

C. One changes to a singular reference.

D. We changes the subject to the writer and readers.

Back to question 557 | Practice ID: GA777-120-3

QUESTION 558 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: they were

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "two woodcuts." The two named artworks are the things displayed. They refers to both, and were is the matching plural verb. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. This was is singular.

B. Some were does not clearly identify the two specific works just named.

D. It was is singular.

Back to question 558 | Practice ID: GA777-148-4

QUESTION 559 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: it

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "a traditional case." The current sentence focuses on one object being redesigned. It refers to that whole object, not to the plural sections, curves, or edges being changed. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. Them is plural and could incorrectly point to the parts.

B. Those is plural.

D. Both means two, but the reference is one object.

Back to question 559 | Practice ID: GA777-176-4

QUESTION 560 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: they acquire

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "collections such as the Valley Collection." The sentence makes a general statement about plural streams, institutions, wetlands, or collections. They matches that plural reference; the named example does not replace it. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. One changes to a singular reference.

C. It is singular, but the general subject is plural.

D. We changes the subject to the writer and readers.

Back to question 560 | Practice ID: GA777-120-4

QUESTION 561 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: it often

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "a particular service." That phrase is singular and names a nonhuman thing. It continues that one reference clearly, even though the dash section lists plural examples. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. She would refer to a person, not the nonhuman service.

B. These is plural and does not match one service.

C. They is plural here, but the sentence describes one service.

Back to question 561 | Practice ID: GA777-010-1

QUESTION 562 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: it often

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "a particular expression." The main reference is singular. The examples inside the dashes are distractions; they do not turn one expression, method, format, or technique into a plural subject. It continues that one reference. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. Those is plural here.

B. These is plural here.

D. They is plural here.

Back to question 562 | Practice ID: GA777-127-1

QUESTION 563 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: it often

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "a particular facility." That phrase is singular and names a nonhuman thing. It continues that one reference clearly, even though the dash section lists plural examples. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. She would refer to a person, not the nonhuman facility.

B. These is plural and does not match one facility.

C. They is plural here, but the sentence describes one facility.

Back to question 563 | Practice ID: GA777-010-2

QUESTION 564 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: it often

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "a particular method." The main reference is singular. The examples inside the dashes are distractions; they do not turn one expression, method, format, or technique into a plural subject. It continues that one reference. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. These is plural here.

B. They is plural here.

C. Those is plural here.

Back to question 564 | Practice ID: GA777-127-2

QUESTION 565 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: it often

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "a particular collection." That phrase is singular and names a nonhuman thing. It continues that one reference clearly, even though the dash section lists plural examples. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. They is plural here, but the sentence describes one collection.

B. These is plural and does not match one collection.

C. She would refer to a person, not the nonhuman collection.

Back to question 565 | Practice ID: GA777-010-3

QUESTION 566 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: it often

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "a particular format." The main reference is singular. The examples inside the dashes are distractions; they do not turn one expression, method, format, or technique into a plural subject. It continues that one reference. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. These is plural here.

B. Those is plural here.

D. They is plural here.

Back to question 566 | Practice ID: GA777-127-3

QUESTION 567 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: it often

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "a particular system." That phrase is singular and names a nonhuman thing. It continues that one reference clearly, even though the dash section lists plural examples. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. They is plural here, but the sentence describes one system.

B. These is plural and does not match one system.

C. She would refer to a person, not the nonhuman system.

Back to question 567 | Practice ID: GA777-010-4

QUESTION 568 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: it often

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "a particular technique." The main reference is singular. The examples inside the dashes are distractions; they do not turn one expression, method, format, or technique into a plural subject. It continues that one reference. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

B. They is plural here.

C. These is plural here.

D. Those is plural here.

Back to question 568 | Practice ID: GA777-127-4

QUESTION 569 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: Their

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "Lina Vale and Mina Rafi." The findings belong to two researchers. Their shows that plural connection. The number of findings does not choose the pronoun; the two researchers do. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. Its refers to one thing, not the two researchers.

C. It's means it is or it has.

D. They're means they are, which does not fit before findings.

Back to question 569 | Practice ID: GA777-067-1

QUESTION 570 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: Their

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "Nadia Hart and Tara Saye." The findings belong to two researchers. Their shows that plural connection. The number of findings does not choose the pronoun; the two researchers do. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. It's means it is or it has.

B. They're means they are, which does not fit before findings.

C. Its refers to one thing, not the two researchers.

Back to question 570 | Practice ID: GA777-067-2

QUESTION 571 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: Their

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "Mara Naim and Rina Marsh." The findings belong to two researchers. Their shows that plural connection. The number of findings does not choose the pronoun; the two researchers do. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. It's means it is or it has.

B. They're means they are, which does not fit before findings.

C. Its refers to one thing, not the two researchers.

Back to question 571 | Practice ID: GA777-067-3

QUESTION 572 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: Their

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "Leila Chen and Nora Rafi." The findings belong to two researchers. Their shows that plural connection. The number of findings does not choose the pronoun; the two researchers do. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

B. It's means it is or it has.

C. They're means they are, which does not fit before findings.

D. Its refers to one thing, not the two researchers.

Back to question 572 | Practice ID: GA777-067-4

QUESTION 573 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: their

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "the bright urban scenes." The earlier subjects are plural. In their place means instead of those subjects. Their makes the connection to the things that have been replaced. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

B. They're means they are.

C. It's means it is or it has.

D. Its is singular.

Back to question 573 | Practice ID: GA777-178-1

QUESTION 574 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: their

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "the books." The sections, panels, passages, or recordings belong to plural works. Their matches that plural reference and shows the connection. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. Its is singular, unlike the plural works.

C. They're means they are, not belonging to them.

D. It's means it is or it has.

Back to question 574 | Practice ID: GA777-155-1

QUESTION 575 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: its

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "the Inner Sea." The shores, banks, edges, or margins belong to one body of water. Its shows that singular connection. The plural communities and other nearby nouns do not determine the owner. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. They're means they are.

C. Their points to plural owners rather than the single Inner Sea.

D. It's means it is or it has.

Back to question 575 | Practice ID: GA777-131-1

QUESTION 576 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: its

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "the Coastal District." The sentence compares one district, province, region, or territory with its peers. Use its for that singular reference. The peers may be plural, but the owner or reference remains one. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. It's means it is or it has, not belonging to it.

B. They're means they are.

C. Their is plural, unlike the one Coastal District.

Back to question 576 | Practice ID: GA777-086-1

QUESTION 577 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: its

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "The device." The current sentence describes one object, even though the earlier sentence mentioned a plural group. Its means belonging to that one object. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. Their is plural, but the current reference is the singular device.

B. It's means it is or it has, not belonging to it.

C. They're expands to they are and cannot show ownership here.

Back to question 577 | Practice ID: GA777-070-1

QUESTION 578 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: their

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "the dramatic views of distant landscapes." The earlier subjects are plural. In their place means instead of those subjects. Their makes the connection to the things that have been replaced. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

B. They're means they are.

C. Its is singular.

D. It's means it is or it has.

Back to question 578 | Practice ID: GA777-178-2

QUESTION 579 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: their

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "the screens." The sections, panels, passages, or recordings belong to plural works. Their matches that plural reference and shows the connection. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. Its is singular, unlike the plural works.

B. They're means they are, not belonging to them.

C. It's means it is or it has.

Back to question 579 | Practice ID: GA777-155-2

QUESTION 580 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: its

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "the Great River." The shores, banks, edges, or margins belong to one body of water. Its shows that singular connection. The plural communities and other nearby nouns do not determine the owner. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. They're means they are.

B. Their points to plural owners rather than the single Great River.

C. It's means it is or it has.

Back to question 580 | Practice ID: GA777-131-2

QUESTION 581 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: its

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "the Northern Province." The sentence compares one district, province, region, or territory with its peers. Use its for that singular reference. The peers may be plural, but the owner or reference remains one. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. It's means it is or it has, not belonging to it.

B. Their is plural, unlike the one Northern Province.

C. They're means they are.

Back to question 581 | Practice ID: GA777-086-2

QUESTION 582 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: its

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "The appliance." The current sentence describes one object, even though the earlier sentence mentioned a plural group. Its means belonging to that one object. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. They're expands to they are and cannot show ownership here.

C. Their is plural, but the current reference is the singular appliance.

D. It's means it is or it has, not belonging to it.

Back to question 582 | Practice ID: GA777-070-2

QUESTION 583 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: their

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "the elaborate references to historical monuments." The earlier subjects are plural. In their place means instead of those subjects. Their makes the connection to the things that have been replaced. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. They're means they are.

B. It's means it is or it has.

D. Its is singular.

Back to question 583 | Practice ID: GA777-178-3

QUESTION 584 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: their

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "the cards." The sections, panels, passages, or recordings belong to plural works. Their matches that plural reference and shows the connection. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

B. They're means they are, not belonging to them.

C. It's means it is or it has.

D. Its is singular, unlike the plural works.

Back to question 584 | Practice ID: GA777-155-3

QUESTION 585 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: its

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "the Northern Lake." The shores, banks, edges, or margins belong to one body of water. Its shows that singular connection. The plural communities and other nearby nouns do not determine the owner. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

B. Their points to plural owners rather than the single Northern Lake.

C. They're means they are.

D. It's means it is or it has.

Back to question 585 | Practice ID: GA777-131-3

QUESTION 586 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: its

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "the Eastern Maritime Region." The sentence compares one district, province, region, or territory with its peers. Use its for that singular reference. The peers may be plural, but the owner or reference remains one. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. They're means they are.

B. It's means it is or it has, not belonging to it.

C. Their is plural, unlike the one Eastern Maritime Region.

Back to question 586 | Practice ID: GA777-086-3

QUESTION 587 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: its

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "The instrument." The current sentence describes one object, even though the earlier sentence mentioned a plural group. Its means belonging to that one object. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

B. Their is plural, but the current reference is the singular instrument.

C. They're expands to they are and cannot show ownership here.

D. It's means it is or it has, not belonging to it.

Back to question 587 | Practice ID: GA777-070-3

QUESTION 588 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: their

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "the broad accounts of journeys across unfamiliar countries." The earlier subjects are plural. In their place means instead of those subjects. Their makes the connection to the things that have been replaced. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. Its is singular.

C. They're means they are.

D. It's means it is or it has.

Back to question 588 | Practice ID: GA777-178-4

QUESTION 589 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: their

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "the pieces." The sections, panels, passages, or recordings belong to plural works. Their matches that plural reference and shows the connection. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. It's means it is or it has.

C. They're means they are, not belonging to them.

D. Its is singular, unlike the plural works.

Back to question 589 | Practice ID: GA777-155-4

QUESTION 590 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: its

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "The machine." The current sentence describes one object, even though the earlier sentence mentioned a plural group. Its means belonging to that one object. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. It's means it is or it has, not belonging to it.

C. Their is plural, but the current reference is the singular machine.

D. They're expands to they are and cannot show ownership here.

Back to question 590 | Practice ID: GA777-070-4

QUESTION 591 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: this

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "the appointment described earlier." The blank points to one whole event: this appointment. This can refer clearly to that event and fits the phrase "this the first occasion." Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

B. Those is plural, not one event.

C. These is plural, not one event.

D. Some does not identify the specific appointment being described.

Back to question 591 | Practice ID: GA777-111-1

QUESTION 592 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: These

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "trees." The noun immediately after the blank is plural. These matches it and points back to the objects or places introduced in the first sentence. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. Each would need a singular noun.

B. This would need a singular noun.

C. That would need a singular noun.

Back to question 592 | Practice ID: GA777-040-1

QUESTION 593 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: These

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "drawings." The noun after the blank is plural, and the first sentence identifies several specific examples. These points back to those examples and agrees with the plural noun. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. That requires a singular noun.

B. This requires a singular noun.

D. One requires a singular noun.

Back to question 593 | Practice ID: GA777-075-1

QUESTION 594 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: this

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "the appointment described earlier." The blank points to one whole event: this appointment. This can refer clearly to that event and fits the phrase "this the first occasion." Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

B. Those is plural, not one event.

C. These is plural, not one event.

D. Some does not identify the specific appointment being described.

Back to question 594 | Practice ID: GA777-111-2

QUESTION 595 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: These

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "areas." The noun immediately after the blank is plural. These matches it and points back to the objects or places introduced in the first sentence. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. This would need a singular noun.

C. Each would need a singular noun.

D. That would need a singular noun.

Back to question 595 | Practice ID: GA777-040-2

QUESTION 596 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: These

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "letters." The noun after the blank is plural, and the first sentence identifies several specific examples. These points back to those examples and agrees with the plural noun. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. One requires a singular noun.

B. This requires a singular noun.

C. That requires a singular noun.

Back to question 596 | Practice ID: GA777-075-2

QUESTION 597 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: this

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "the appointment described earlier." The blank points to one whole event: this appointment. This can refer clearly to that event and fits the phrase "this the first occasion." Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. Those is plural, not one event.

C. These is plural, not one event.

D. Some does not identify the specific appointment being described.

Back to question 597 | Practice ID: GA777-111-3

QUESTION 598 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: These

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "rows." The noun immediately after the blank is plural. These matches it and points back to the objects or places introduced in the first sentence. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. This would need a singular noun.

B. That would need a singular noun.

D. Each would need a singular noun.

Back to question 598 | Practice ID: GA777-040-3

QUESTION 599 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: These

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "photographs." The noun after the blank is plural, and the first sentence identifies several specific examples. These points back to those examples and agrees with the plural noun. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. One requires a singular noun.

C. This requires a singular noun.

D. That requires a singular noun.

Back to question 599 | Practice ID: GA777-075-3

QUESTION 600 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: this

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "the appointment described earlier." The blank points to one whole event: this appointment. This can refer clearly to that event and fits the phrase "this the first occasion." Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

B. These is plural, not one event.

C. Some does not identify the specific appointment being described.

D. Those is plural, not one event.

Back to question 600 | Practice ID: GA777-111-4

QUESTION 601 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: These

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "places." The noun immediately after the blank is plural. These matches it and points back to the objects or places introduced in the first sentence. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. That would need a singular noun.

C. Each would need a singular noun.

D. This would need a singular noun.

Back to question 601 | Practice ID: GA777-040-4

QUESTION 602 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: These

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "notebooks." The noun after the blank is plural, and the first sentence identifies several specific examples. These points back to those examples and agrees with the plural noun. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

B. This requires a singular noun.

C. One requires a singular noun.

D. That requires a singular noun.

Back to question 602 | Practice ID: GA777-075-4

QUESTION 603 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: themselves

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "certain climbing plants." The same plural things perform the attaching and receive it. Use the reflexive pronoun themselves, meaning their own selves. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. Itself is reflexive but singular.

C. Them would point to something other than the doers themselves.

D. It is singular and does not refer back to the plural doers.

Back to question 603 | Practice ID: GA777-135-1

QUESTION 604 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: themselves

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "some temporary marine organisms." The same plural things perform the attaching and receive it. Use the reflexive pronoun themselves, meaning their own selves. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. Itself is reflexive but singular.

C. It is singular and does not refer back to the plural doers.

D. Them would point to something other than the doers themselves.

Back to question 604 | Practice ID: GA777-135-2

QUESTION 605 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: themselves

Find the clue: Trace the blank back to "specialized mobile robots." The same plural things perform the attaching and receive it. Use the reflexive pronoun themselves, meaning their own selves. Check the meaning as well as the number: a nearby noun is not automatically the right reference.

A. It is singular and does not refer back to the plural doers.

B. Them would point to something other than the doers themselves.

D. Itself is reflexive but singular.

Back to question 605 | Practice ID: GA777-135-3

06. Plurals, Possessives & Apostrophes

QUESTION 606 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: stories of the railway workers

Find the clue: Both nouns are ordinary plurals: several stories or accounts and several people. Of already links the accounts to the people. The people also act as the subject of who, so their noun is not possessive.

B. The first noun is wrongly made singular possessive.

C. Both nouns are wrongly possessive, and the final noun also suggests just one person.

D. Both nouns are wrongly made possessive.

Back to question 606 | Practice ID: GA777-106-1

QUESTION 607 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: designers introduced visitors

Find the clue: The first noun names several people doing the introducing. The second names the plural people receiving it. Neither word expresses ownership, so ordinary plurals are needed.

A. The first noun is wrongly made possessive instead of serving as the plural subject.

C. Both nouns are wrongly made singular possessives.

D. Both nouns are wrongly made possessive.

Back to question 607 | Practice ID: GA777-082-1

QUESTION 608 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: hands between the two sensors

Find the clue: The sentence names more than one hand and two devices or markers. Neither noun is showing ownership. Use ordinary plural hands and an ordinary plural for the two objects.

B. Both nouns are wrongly made singular possessives.

C. Both nouns are wrongly made plural possessives.

D. Hands' wrongly shows possession rather than simply naming the hands.

Back to question 608 | Practice ID: GA777-097-1

QUESTION 609 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: accounts of the island travelers

Find the clue: Both nouns are ordinary plurals: several stories or accounts and several people. Of already links the accounts to the people. The people also act as the subject of who, so their noun is not possessive.

A. Both nouns are wrongly made possessive.

C. The first noun is wrongly made singular possessive.

D. Both nouns are wrongly possessive, and the final noun also suggests just one person.

Back to question 609 | Practice ID: GA777-106-2

QUESTION 610 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: researchers introduced students

Find the clue: The first noun names several people doing the introducing. The second names the plural people receiving it. Neither word expresses ownership, so ordinary plurals are needed.

B. Both nouns are wrongly made possessive.

C. The first noun is wrongly made possessive instead of serving as the plural subject.

D. Both nouns are wrongly made singular possessives.

Back to question 610 | Practice ID: GA777-082-2

QUESTION 611 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: hands above the two panels

Find the clue: The sentence names more than one hand and two devices or markers. Neither noun is showing ownership. Use ordinary plural hands and an ordinary plural for the two objects.

B. Both nouns are wrongly made singular possessives.

C. Both nouns are wrongly made plural possessives.

D. Hands' wrongly shows possession rather than simply naming the hands.

Back to question 611 | Practice ID: GA777-097-2

QUESTION 612 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: histories of the skilled makers

Find the clue: Both nouns are ordinary plurals: several stories or accounts and several people. Of already links the accounts to the people. The people also act as the subject of who, so their noun is not possessive.

A. The first noun is wrongly made singular possessive.

C. Both nouns are wrongly made possessive.

D. Both nouns are wrongly possessive, and the final noun also suggests just one person.

Back to question 612 | Practice ID: GA777-106-3

QUESTION 613 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: musicians introduced audiences

Find the clue: The first noun names several people doing the introducing. The second names the plural people receiving it. Neither word expresses ownership, so ordinary plurals are needed.

A. Both nouns are wrongly made singular possessives.

C. The first noun is wrongly made possessive instead of serving as the plural subject.

D. Both nouns are wrongly made possessive.

Back to question 613 | Practice ID: GA777-082-3

QUESTION 614 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: hands beside the two markers

Find the clue: The sentence names more than one hand and two devices or markers. Neither noun is showing ownership. Use ordinary plural hands and an ordinary plural for the two objects.

A. Hands' wrongly shows possession rather than simply naming the hands.

B. Both nouns are wrongly made plural possessives.

D. Both nouns are wrongly made singular possessives.

Back to question 614 | Practice ID: GA777-097-3

QUESTION 615 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: narratives of the rural residents

Find the clue: Both nouns are ordinary plurals: several stories or accounts and several people. Of already links the accounts to the people. The people also act as the subject of who, so their noun is not possessive.

A. Both nouns are wrongly possessive, and the final noun also suggests just one person.

C. The first noun is wrongly made singular possessive.

D. Both nouns are wrongly made possessive.

Back to question 615 | Practice ID: GA777-106-4

QUESTION 616 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: hands beneath the two readers

Find the clue: The sentence names more than one hand and two devices or markers. Neither noun is showing ownership. Use ordinary plural hands and an ordinary plural for the two objects.

A. Hands' wrongly shows possession rather than simply naming the hands.

C. Both nouns are wrongly made singular possessives.

D. Both nouns are wrongly made plural possessives.

Back to question 616 | Practice ID: GA777-097-4

QUESTION 617 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: rounds teams

Find the clue: Both nouns are ordinary plurals. The first names several things being counted; the second names the people or groups that can take part. Neither word shows ownership, so neither needs an apostrophe.

B. The first noun is wrongly made possessive.

C. The second noun is wrongly made possessive instead of naming the doers.

D. Both nouns are wrongly made singular possessives.

Back to question 617 | Practice ID: GA777-052-1

QUESTION 618 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: events artists

Find the clue: Both nouns are ordinary plurals. The first names several things being counted; the second names the people or groups that can take part. Neither word shows ownership, so neither needs an apostrophe.

A. Both nouns are wrongly made singular possessives.

B. The second noun is wrongly made possessive instead of naming the doers.

C. The first noun is wrongly made possessive.

Back to question 618 | Practice ID: GA777-052-2

QUESTION 619 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: roles performers

Find the clue: Both nouns are ordinary plurals. The first names several things being counted; the second names the people or groups that can take part. Neither word shows ownership, so neither needs an apostrophe.

A. The first noun is wrongly made possessive.

C. The second noun is wrongly made possessive instead of naming the doers.

D. Both nouns are wrongly made singular possessives.

Back to question 619 | Practice ID: GA777-052-3

QUESTION 620 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: volumes borrowers

Find the clue: Both nouns are ordinary plurals. The first names several things being counted; the second names the people or groups that can take part. Neither word shows ownership, so neither needs an apostrophe.

A. The first noun is wrongly made possessive.

B. The second noun is wrongly made possessive instead of naming the doers.

C. Both nouns are wrongly made singular possessives.

Back to question 620 | Practice ID: GA777-052-4

QUESTION 621 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: people’s accounts

Find the clue: The accounts or memories belong to other people. People is already plural and forms its possessive with apostrophe plus s: people's. The final noun is an ordinary plural, not another owner.

B. Peoples does not show the needed ownership, and the final noun is wrongly possessive.

C. Peoples lacks the apostrophe showing whose material is meant.

D. The final noun is wrongly made a singular possessive.

Back to question 621 | Practice ID: GA777-079-1

QUESTION 622 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: technicians, regardless of their

Find the clue: Both refers to two people, so the first noun is an ordinary plural without an apostrophe. Their then shows the relationship to those people's positions, distance, access, or choice.

A. The first noun is wrongly made a singular possessive instead of an ordinary plural.

B. The first noun wrongly shows possession, and they're means they are.

D. There does not show ownership or the needed personal connection.

Back to question 622 | Practice ID: GA777-091-1

QUESTION 623 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: composer’s early scores

Find the clue: The works belong to one creator, so the occupation takes apostrophe plus s. The works themselves are ordinary plurals. They are not owners in this sentence.

A. The final noun is wrongly made singular possessive.

C. The creator's noun lacks ownership, and the final noun is wrongly possessive.

D. The creator's noun is an ordinary plural rather than the required singular possessive.

Back to question 623 | Practice ID: GA777-152-1

QUESTION 624 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: tower’s

Find the clue: The feature belongs to one tower. A singular owner takes apostrophe plus s. The sentence is not describing several owners, and the relationship before substantial weight is possessive.

A. The ordinary plural does not show the needed ownership.

B. The bare noun does not show the intended possessive relationship in this phrase.

D. The apostrophe after s suggests several owners.

Back to question 624 | Practice ID: GA777-116-1

QUESTION 625 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: Vale’s best-known novels,

Find the clue: The works belong to one named creator, so the name needs apostrophe plus s. One of selects one member from a plural group of works. The group noun is plural, not possessive.

A. The name lacks the apostrophe that shows ownership.

C. The name wrongly suggests several owners, and the work noun is wrongly possessive.

D. The work noun is wrongly singular possessive instead of ordinary plural.

Back to question 625 | Practice ID: GA777-101-1

QUESTION 626 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: people’s memories

Find the clue: The accounts or memories belong to other people. People is already plural and forms its possessive with apostrophe plus s: people's. The final noun is an ordinary plural, not another owner.

B. Peoples does not show the needed ownership, and the final noun is wrongly possessive.

C. Peoples lacks the apostrophe showing whose material is meant.

D. The final noun is wrongly made a singular possessive.

Back to question 626 | Practice ID: GA777-079-2

QUESTION 627 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: borrowers, regardless of their

Find the clue: Both refers to two people, so the first noun is an ordinary plural without an apostrophe. Their then shows the relationship to those people's positions, distance, access, or choice.

B. The first noun is wrongly made a singular possessive instead of an ordinary plural.

C. There does not show ownership or the needed personal connection.

D. The first noun wrongly shows possession, and they're means they are.

Back to question 627 | Practice ID: GA777-091-2

QUESTION 628 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: photographer’s early photos

Find the clue: The works belong to one creator, so the occupation takes apostrophe plus s. The works themselves are ordinary plurals. They are not owners in this sentence.

B. The creator's noun lacks ownership, and the final noun is wrongly possessive.

C. The creator's noun is an ordinary plural rather than the required singular possessive.

D. The final noun is wrongly made singular possessive.

Back to question 628 | Practice ID: GA777-152-2

QUESTION 629 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: room’s

Find the clue: The feature belongs to one room. A singular owner takes apostrophe plus s. The sentence is not describing several owners, and the relationship before curved outer wall is possessive.

B. The ordinary plural does not show the needed ownership.

C. The apostrophe after s suggests several owners.

D. The bare noun does not show the intended possessive relationship in this phrase.

Back to question 629 | Practice ID: GA777-116-2

QUESTION 630 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: Rafi’s most familiar compositions,

Find the clue: The works belong to one named creator, so the name needs apostrophe plus s. One of selects one member from a plural group of works. The group noun is plural, not possessive.

A. The work noun is wrongly singular possessive instead of ordinary plural.

B. The name lacks the apostrophe that shows ownership.

C. The name wrongly suggests several owners, and the work noun is wrongly possessive.

Back to question 630 | Practice ID: GA777-101-2

QUESTION 631 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: people’s experiences

Find the clue: The accounts or memories belong to other people. People is already plural and forms its possessive with apostrophe plus s: people's. The final noun is an ordinary plural, not another owner.

A. The final noun is wrongly made a singular possessive.

B. Peoples does not show the needed ownership, and the final noun is wrongly possessive.

D. Peoples lacks the apostrophe showing whose material is meant.

Back to question 631 | Practice ID: GA777-079-3

QUESTION 632 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: gardeners, regardless of their

Find the clue: Both refers to two people, so the first noun is an ordinary plural without an apostrophe. Their then shows the relationship to those people's positions, distance, access, or choice.

A. There does not show ownership or the needed personal connection.

B. The first noun wrongly shows possession, and they're means they are.

D. The first noun is wrongly made a singular possessive instead of an ordinary plural.

Back to question 632 | Practice ID: GA777-091-3

QUESTION 633 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: cartographer’s early maps

Find the clue: The works belong to one creator, so the occupation takes apostrophe plus s. The works themselves are ordinary plurals. They are not owners in this sentence.

A. The final noun is wrongly made singular possessive.

C. The creator's noun is an ordinary plural rather than the required singular possessive.

D. The creator's noun lacks ownership, and the final noun is wrongly possessive.

Back to question 633 | Practice ID: GA777-152-3

QUESTION 634 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: pavilion’s

Find the clue: The feature belongs to one pavilion. A singular owner takes apostrophe plus s. The sentence is not describing several owners, and the relationship before wide overhang is possessive.

A. The ordinary plural does not show the needed ownership.

B. The bare noun does not show the intended possessive relationship in this phrase.

C. The apostrophe after s suggests several owners.

Back to question 634 | Practice ID: GA777-116-3

QUESTION 635 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: Reed’s most discussed collections,

Find the clue: The works belong to one named creator, so the name needs apostrophe plus s. One of selects one member from a plural group of works. The group noun is plural, not possessive.

A. The name wrongly suggests several owners, and the work noun is wrongly possessive.

C. The name lacks the apostrophe that shows ownership.

D. The work noun is wrongly singular possessive instead of ordinary plural.

Back to question 635 | Practice ID: GA777-101-3

QUESTION 636 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: people’s recollections

Find the clue: The accounts or memories belong to other people. People is already plural and forms its possessive with apostrophe plus s: people's. The final noun is an ordinary plural, not another owner.

A. Peoples lacks the apostrophe showing whose material is meant.

B. Peoples does not show the needed ownership, and the final noun is wrongly possessive.

C. The final noun is wrongly made a singular possessive.

Back to question 636 | Practice ID: GA777-079-4

QUESTION 637 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: students, regardless of their

Find the clue: Both refers to two people, so the first noun is an ordinary plural without an apostrophe. Their then shows the relationship to those people's positions, distance, access, or choice.

A. There does not show ownership or the needed personal connection.

B. The first noun wrongly shows possession, and they're means they are.

C. The first noun is wrongly made a singular possessive instead of an ordinary plural.

Back to question 637 | Practice ID: GA777-091-4

QUESTION 638 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: designer’s early objects

Find the clue: The works belong to one creator, so the occupation takes apostrophe plus s. The works themselves are ordinary plurals. They are not owners in this sentence.

A. The creator's noun lacks ownership, and the final noun is wrongly possessive.

B. The final noun is wrongly made singular possessive.

C. The creator's noun is an ordinary plural rather than the required singular possessive.

Back to question 638 | Practice ID: GA777-152-4

QUESTION 639 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: microscope’s

Find the clue: The feature belongs to one microscope. A singular owner takes apostrophe plus s. The sentence is not describing several owners, and the relationship before limited internal space is possessive.

A. The ordinary plural does not show the needed ownership.

B. The apostrophe after s suggests several owners.

C. The bare noun does not show the intended possessive relationship in this phrase.

Back to question 639 | Practice ID: GA777-116-4

QUESTION 640 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: author’s later writings

Find the clue: One author is discussed, so author's shows that the writings belong to her. Writings is simply plural: she produced several works. Nothing belongs to the writings in this sentence, so that word needs no apostrophe.

A. Writing's wrongly makes one writing possessive.

B. Authors' suggests several authors, and writings' wrongly shows ownership.

D. Authors is an ordinary plural and does not show one author's ownership.

Back to question 640 | Practice ID: GA777-032-1

QUESTION 641 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: messages supposedly written by the novel’s

Find the clue: The work contains several messages, drawings, speeches, or entries. That noun is an ordinary plural. The character or journal belongs to one named work, so the work's noun takes apostrophe plus s.

B. The first noun is wrongly possessive, and the work's noun wrongly suggests several works.

C. The apostrophe after the work's plural s suggests more than one work.

D. The first noun is wrongly made a singular possessive.

Back to question 641 | Practice ID: GA777-124-1

QUESTION 642 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: painting's simplicity masks its

Find the clue: There is one painting. Its simplicity belongs to it, so the noun needs apostrophe plus s. The later ownership word must also refer to that one thing: its. Check both tested parts rather than stopping after the first apostrophe.

A. The noun is correctly possessive, but their is plural instead of singular its.

C. The noun does not show possession, and their does not match one painting.

D. The apostrophe after the plural s makes the owner plural, but the passage discusses one painting.

Back to question 642 | Practice ID: GA777-006-1

QUESTION 643 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: fibers’ physical properties

Find the clue: The properties belong to several separate objects, so the plural owner ending in s takes an apostrophe after s. Properties is itself an ordinary plural: the properties do not own anything here.

A. The owner is wrongly singular, and properties is wrongly possessive.

C. Property's wrongly makes one property possessive.

D. The owner lacks the apostrophe showing whose properties are meant.

Back to question 643 | Practice ID: GA777-098-1

QUESTION 644 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: courtyard’s soil reveal the animals’

Find the clue: There is one site, so its name takes apostrophe plus s. The movements belong to several animals, so their plural noun takes the appropriate plural possessive form. Check the number of each owner separately.

A. The site does not show ownership, and the animal owner is wrongly singular.

B. The animals' noun lacks its possessive mark.

C. The site is wrongly made a plural owner even though the passage describes one site.

Back to question 644 | Practice ID: GA777-117-1

QUESTION 645 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: cylinder’s grooves.

Find the clue: There is one cylinder, so its possessive is cylinder's. It has several grooves, but those parts do not own anything in the sentence. Use an ordinary plural for the parts.

A. The part is wrongly made singular possessive.

C. The owner lacks possession, and the parts are wrongly made possessive.

D. The owner is wrongly plural.

Back to question 645 | Practice ID: GA777-151-1

QUESTION 646 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: workshops’

Find the clue: Two examples are named, and these confirms that the owner is plural. Their methods, techniques, documents, or programs belong to them. A plural owner ending in s takes an apostrophe after that s.

A. The ordinary plural lacks the apostrophe needed to show ownership.

B. The singular possessive suggests only one owner.

C. The singular noun does not match these and does not show ownership.

Back to question 646 | Practice ID: GA777-208-1

QUESTION 647 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: author’s later writings

Find the clue: One author is discussed, so author's shows that the writings belong to her. Writings is simply plural: she produced several works. Nothing belongs to the writings in this sentence, so that word needs no apostrophe.

A. Writing's wrongly makes one writing possessive.

B. Authors is an ordinary plural and does not show one author's ownership.

C. Authors' suggests several authors, and writings' wrongly shows ownership.

Back to question 647 | Practice ID: GA777-032-2

QUESTION 648 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: drawings presented as pages from the narrative’s

Find the clue: The work contains several messages, drawings, speeches, or entries. That noun is an ordinary plural. The character or journal belongs to one named work, so the work's noun takes apostrophe plus s.

A. The first noun is wrongly made a singular possessive.

B. The apostrophe after the work's plural s suggests more than one work.

D. The first noun is wrongly possessive, and the work's noun wrongly suggests several works.

Back to question 648 | Practice ID: GA777-124-2

QUESTION 649 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: design's simplicity masks its

Find the clue: There is one design. Its simplicity belongs to it, so the noun needs apostrophe plus s. The later ownership word must also refer to that one thing: its. Check both tested parts rather than stopping after the first apostrophe.

B. The noun does not show possession, and their does not match one design.

C. The noun is correctly possessive, but their is plural instead of singular its.

D. The apostrophe after the plural s makes the owner plural, but the passage discusses one design.

Back to question 649 | Practice ID: GA777-006-2

QUESTION 650 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: grains’ surface properties

Find the clue: The properties belong to several separate objects, so the plural owner ending in s takes an apostrophe after s. Properties is itself an ordinary plural: the properties do not own anything here.

A. Property's wrongly makes one property possessive.

C. The owner is wrongly singular, and properties is wrongly possessive.

D. The owner lacks the apostrophe showing whose properties are meant.

Back to question 650 | Practice ID: GA777-098-2

QUESTION 651 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: cave’s dust record the bats’

Find the clue: There is one site, so its name takes apostrophe plus s. The movements belong to several animals, so their plural noun takes the appropriate plural possessive form. Check the number of each owner separately.

A. The site does not show ownership, and the animal owner is wrongly singular.

C. The animals' noun lacks its possessive mark.

D. The site is wrongly made a plural owner even though the passage describes one site.

Back to question 651 | Practice ID: GA777-117-2

QUESTION 652 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: rod’s ridges.

Find the clue: There is one rod, so its possessive is rod's. It has several ridges, but those parts do not own anything in the sentence. Use an ordinary plural for the parts.

A. The owner is wrongly plural.

B. The owner lacks possession, and the parts are wrongly made possessive.

D. The part is wrongly made singular possessive.

Back to question 652 | Practice ID: GA777-151-2

QUESTION 653 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: artists’

Find the clue: Two examples are named, and these confirms that the owner is plural. Their methods, techniques, documents, or programs belong to them. A plural owner ending in s takes an apostrophe after that s.

A. The singular possessive suggests only one owner.

B. The singular noun does not match these and does not show ownership.

C. The ordinary plural lacks the apostrophe needed to show ownership.

Back to question 653 | Practice ID: GA777-208-2

QUESTION 654 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: author’s later writings

Find the clue: One author is discussed, so author's shows that the writings belong to her. Writings is simply plural: she produced several works. Nothing belongs to the writings in this sentence, so that word needs no apostrophe.

A. Writing's wrongly makes one writing possessive.

B. Authors' suggests several authors, and writings' wrongly shows ownership.

D. Authors is an ordinary plural and does not show one author's ownership.

Back to question 654 | Practice ID: GA777-032-3

QUESTION 655 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: speeches attributed to the play’s

Find the clue: The work contains several messages, drawings, speeches, or entries. That noun is an ordinary plural. The character or journal belongs to one named work, so the work's noun takes apostrophe plus s.

A. The first noun is wrongly made a singular possessive.

B. The first noun is wrongly possessive, and the work's noun wrongly suggests several works.

D. The apostrophe after the work's plural s suggests more than one work.

Back to question 655 | Practice ID: GA777-124-3

QUESTION 656 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: poem's simplicity masks its

Find the clue: There is one poem. Its simplicity belongs to it, so the noun needs apostrophe plus s. The later ownership word must also refer to that one thing: its. Check both tested parts rather than stopping after the first apostrophe.

A. The noun does not show possession, and their does not match one poem.

B. The noun is correctly possessive, but their is plural instead of singular its.

C. The apostrophe after the plural s makes the owner plural, but the passage discusses one poem.

Back to question 656 | Practice ID: GA777-006-3

QUESTION 657 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: panels’ structural properties

Find the clue: The properties belong to several separate objects, so the plural owner ending in s takes an apostrophe after s. Properties is itself an ordinary plural: the properties do not own anything here.

A. The owner lacks the apostrophe showing whose properties are meant.

C. The owner is wrongly singular, and properties is wrongly possessive.

D. Property's wrongly makes one property possessive.

Back to question 657 | Practice ID: GA777-098-3

QUESTION 658 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: pond’s sediment show the birds’

Find the clue: There is one site, so its name takes apostrophe plus s. The movements belong to several animals, so their plural noun takes the appropriate plural possessive form. Check the number of each owner separately.

B. The site does not show ownership, and the animal owner is wrongly singular.

C. The animals' noun lacks its possessive mark.

D. The site is wrongly made a plural owner even though the passage describes one site.

Back to question 658 | Practice ID: GA777-117-3

QUESTION 659 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: pipe’s openings.

Find the clue: There is one pipe, so its possessive is pipe's. It has several openings, but those parts do not own anything in the sentence. Use an ordinary plural for the parts.

B. The owner lacks possession, and the parts are wrongly made possessive.

C. The owner is wrongly plural.

D. The part is wrongly made singular possessive.

Back to question 659 | Practice ID: GA777-151-3

QUESTION 660 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: collections’

Find the clue: Two examples are named, and these confirms that the owner is plural. Their methods, techniques, documents, or programs belong to them. A plural owner ending in s takes an apostrophe after that s.

A. The singular possessive suggests only one owner.

B. The singular noun does not match these and does not show ownership.

C. The ordinary plural lacks the apostrophe needed to show ownership.

Back to question 660 | Practice ID: GA777-208-3

QUESTION 661 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: author’s later writings

Find the clue: One author is discussed, so author's shows that the writings belong to her. Writings is simply plural: she produced several works. Nothing belongs to the writings in this sentence, so that word needs no apostrophe.

B. Writing's wrongly makes one writing possessive.

C. Authors is an ordinary plural and does not show one author's ownership.

D. Authors' suggests several authors, and writings' wrongly shows ownership.

Back to question 661 | Practice ID: GA777-032-4

QUESTION 662 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: entries imagined as pages from the book’s

Find the clue: The work contains several messages, drawings, speeches, or entries. That noun is an ordinary plural. The character or journal belongs to one named work, so the work's noun takes apostrophe plus s.

B. The first noun is wrongly made a singular possessive.

C. The apostrophe after the work's plural s suggests more than one work.

D. The first noun is wrongly possessive, and the work's noun wrongly suggests several works.

Back to question 662 | Practice ID: GA777-124-4

QUESTION 663 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: melody's simplicity masks its

Find the clue: There is one melody. Its simplicity belongs to it, so the noun needs apostrophe plus s. The later ownership word must also refer to that one thing: its. Check both tested parts rather than stopping after the first apostrophe.

A. The noun does not show possession, and their does not match one melody.

B. The noun is correctly possessive, but their is plural instead of singular its.

D. The apostrophe after the plural s makes the owner plural, but the passage discusses one melody.

Back to question 663 | Practice ID: GA777-006-4

QUESTION 664 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: plates’ mechanical properties

Find the clue: The properties belong to several separate objects, so the plural owner ending in s takes an apostrophe after s. Properties is itself an ordinary plural: the properties do not own anything here.

A. The owner lacks the apostrophe showing whose properties are meant.

B. The owner is wrongly singular, and properties is wrongly possessive.

D. Property's wrongly makes one property possessive.

Back to question 664 | Practice ID: GA777-098-4

QUESTION 665 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: schools’

Find the clue: Two examples are named, and these confirms that the owner is plural. Their methods, techniques, documents, or programs belong to them. A plural owner ending in s takes an apostrophe after that s.

A. The ordinary plural lacks the apostrophe needed to show ownership.

B. The singular noun does not match these and does not show ownership.

C. The singular possessive suggests only one owner.

Back to question 665 | Practice ID: GA777-208-4

QUESTION 666 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: rail’s and tram’s

Find the clue: Each system has its own ratio. Put a possessive ending on each name. The phrase "each system" confirms that the passage compares separately calculated ratios, not one jointly owned ratio.

A. The first owner still lacks its possessive ending.

C. Marking only the second owner suggests a shared ratio; the passage gives a separate ratio for each.

D. The ordinary plurals do not show whose ratios are meant.

Back to question 666 | Practice ID: GA777-012-1

QUESTION 667 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: factors that influence plants’

Find the clue: Four requires an ordinary plural for the first noun. The later development, response, motion, or vibration belongs to a general plural class of things, so that owner needs an apostrophe after its s. Check both nouns.

A. The owner is made singular without a determiner such as a or an; the passage refers to the general plural class.

B. The plural owner lacks the apostrophe needed to show whose behavior is discussed.

C. The first noun is wrongly made singular possessive after four.

Back to question 667 | Practice ID: GA777-084-1

QUESTION 668 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: rice’s and wheat’s

Find the clue: Each crop has its own ratio. Put a possessive ending on each name. The phrase "each crop" confirms that the passage compares separately calculated ratios, not one jointly owned ratio.

A. The first owner still lacks its possessive ending.

B. Marking only the second owner suggests a shared ratio; the passage gives a separate ratio for each.

D. The ordinary plurals do not show whose ratios are meant.

Back to question 668 | Practice ID: GA777-012-2

QUESTION 669 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: variables that determine objects’

Find the clue: Four requires an ordinary plural for the first noun. The later development, response, motion, or vibration belongs to a general plural class of things, so that owner needs an apostrophe after its s. Check both nouns.

B. The first noun is wrongly made singular possessive after four.

C. The owner is made singular without a determiner such as a or an; the passage refers to the general plural class.

D. The plural owner lacks the apostrophe needed to show whose behavior is discussed.

Back to question 669 | Practice ID: GA777-084-2

QUESTION 670 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: painting’s and sculpture’s

Find the clue: Each medium has its own ratio. Put a possessive ending on each name. The phrase "each medium" confirms that the passage compares separately calculated ratios, not one jointly owned ratio.

A. The ordinary plurals do not show whose ratios are meant.

B. Marking only the second owner suggests a shared ratio; the passage gives a separate ratio for each.

D. The first owner still lacks its possessive ending.

Back to question 670 | Practice ID: GA777-012-3

QUESTION 671 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: measurements that describe vehicles’

Find the clue: Four requires an ordinary plural for the first noun. The later development, response, motion, or vibration belongs to a general plural class of things, so that owner needs an apostrophe after its s. Check both nouns.

B. The first noun is wrongly made singular possessive after four.

C. The plural owner lacks the apostrophe needed to show whose behavior is discussed.

D. The owner is made singular without a determiner such as a or an; the passage refers to the general plural class.

Back to question 671 | Practice ID: GA777-084-3

QUESTION 672 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: theater’s and dance’s

Find the clue: Each form has its own ratio. Put a possessive ending on each name. The phrase "each form" confirms that the passage compares separately calculated ratios, not one jointly owned ratio.

B. The first owner still lacks its possessive ending.

C. The ordinary plurals do not show whose ratios are meant.

D. Marking only the second owner suggests a shared ratio; the passage gives a separate ratio for each.

Back to question 672 | Practice ID: GA777-012-4

QUESTION 673 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: its mirrors

Find the clue: One object has several parts. Its means belonging to it. The part name is an ordinary plural because the parts do not own anything in this sentence. It's would mean it is or it has.

B. The apostrophe after the parts incorrectly makes them possessive.

C. It's is a contraction, and the plural parts are wrongly made possessive.

D. It's is a contraction, and the singular part is wrongly made possessive.

Back to question 673 | Practice ID: GA777-009-1

QUESTION 674 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: its panels

Find the clue: One object has several parts. Its means belonging to it. The part name is an ordinary plural because the parts do not own anything in this sentence. It's would mean it is or it has.

A. It's is a contraction, and the singular part is wrongly made possessive.

B. It's is a contraction, and the plural parts are wrongly made possessive.

D. The apostrophe after the parts incorrectly makes them possessive.

Back to question 674 | Practice ID: GA777-009-2

QUESTION 675 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: its wheels

Find the clue: One object has several parts. Its means belonging to it. The part name is an ordinary plural because the parts do not own anything in this sentence. It's would mean it is or it has.

A. The apostrophe after the parts incorrectly makes them possessive.

B. It's is a contraction, and the plural parts are wrongly made possessive.

D. It's is a contraction, and the singular part is wrongly made possessive.

Back to question 675 | Practice ID: GA777-009-3

QUESTION 676 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: its supports

Find the clue: One object has several parts. Its means belonging to it. The part name is an ordinary plural because the parts do not own anything in this sentence. It's would mean it is or it has.

A. It's is a contraction, and the plural parts are wrongly made possessive.

C. The apostrophe after the parts incorrectly makes them possessive.

D. It's is a contraction, and the singular part is wrongly made possessive.

Back to question 676 | Practice ID: GA777-009-4

QUESTION 677 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: its two narrators

Find the clue: The two people belong to one work. Its shows that singular connection, and two requires an ordinary plural noun. The people are not shown owning anything, so their noun needs no apostrophe.

A. Both the contraction it's and the possessive singular noun are wrong here.

B. The apostrophe makes one person possessive instead of naming two people.

C. It's means it is or it has, not belonging to the work.

Back to question 677 | Practice ID: GA777-050-1

QUESTION 678 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: its two protagonists

Find the clue: The two people belong to one work. Its shows that singular connection, and two requires an ordinary plural noun. The people are not shown owning anything, so their noun needs no apostrophe.

A. Both the contraction it's and the possessive singular noun are wrong here.

C. The apostrophe makes one person possessive instead of naming two people.

D. It's means it is or it has, not belonging to the work.

Back to question 678 | Practice ID: GA777-050-2

QUESTION 679 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: its two characters

Find the clue: The two people belong to one work. Its shows that singular connection, and two requires an ordinary plural noun. The people are not shown owning anything, so their noun needs no apostrophe.

A. Both the contraction it's and the possessive singular noun are wrong here.

C. It's means it is or it has, not belonging to the work.

D. The apostrophe makes one person possessive instead of naming two people.

Back to question 679 | Practice ID: GA777-050-3

QUESTION 680 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: its two travelers

Find the clue: The two people belong to one work. Its shows that singular connection, and two requires an ordinary plural noun. The people are not shown owning anything, so their noun needs no apostrophe.

B. The apostrophe makes one person possessive instead of naming two people.

C. It's means it is or it has, not belonging to the work.

D. Both the contraction it's and the possessive singular noun are wrong here.

Back to question 680 | Practice ID: GA777-050-4

07. Modifiers & Logical Comparisons

QUESTION 681 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: Lina Vale charted several paths across the northern ridge between 1902 and 1911.

Find the clue: The opening description, "One of the few women surveying remote mountain routes," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "Lina Vale." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. The years are not a person belonging to the group described.

B. The work is not a person belonging to the group described.

C. The place is not a person belonging to the group described.

Back to question 681 | Practice ID: GA777-068-1

QUESTION 682 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: Mina Rafi visited dozens of studios across the eastern valley between 1923 and 1930.

Find the clue: The opening description, "One of the few independent photographers documenting rural workshops," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "Mina Rafi." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

B. The place is not a person belonging to the group described.

C. The years are not a person belonging to the group described.

D. The work is not a person belonging to the group described.

Back to question 682 | Practice ID: GA777-068-2

QUESTION 683 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: Nora Chen made several journeys along the outer islands between 1954 and 1962.

Find the clue: The opening description, "One of the few local researchers recording traditional boat designs," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "Nora Chen." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

B. The work is not a person belonging to the group described.

C. The place is not a person belonging to the group described.

D. The years are not a person belonging to the group described.

Back to question 683 | Practice ID: GA777-068-3

QUESTION 684 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: Dalia Hart conducted numerous interviews throughout the harbor district between 1971 and 1978.

Find the clue: The opening description, "One of the few community historians collecting everyday spoken accounts," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "Dalia Hart." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. The work is not a person belonging to the group described.

B. The years are not a person belonging to the group described.

D. The place is not a person belonging to the group described.

Back to question 684 | Practice ID: GA777-068-4

QUESTION 685 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: Vale’s 1984 development of a locking hinge

Find the clue: The opening description, "Named in 2008 as one of the region’s most important practical innovations," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "Vale’s development of a locking hinge." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

B. This choice makes the inventor the subject. The opening describes an achievement, not the person responsible for it.

C. Starting with the date does not fix the problem: the subject is still the person.

D. The award describes an achievement, not the person who achieved it.

Back to question 685 | Practice ID: GA777-092-1

QUESTION 686 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: the campaigners increased pressure on officials by maintaining a public vigil

Find the clue: The opening description, "After asking for years," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "the campaigners." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. The officials received the requests. They were not the people making them.

C. Pressure cannot ask for improvements; the people did.

D. A vigil did not spend years asking; the people did.

Back to question 686 | Practice ID: GA777-003-1

QUESTION 687 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: the Library Anniversary Committee sponsored a contest that would award $200 to an individual who came

Find the clue: The opening description, "Wanting to celebrate the library’s fiftieth year," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "the Library Anniversary Committee." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

B. A contest cannot want to celebrate something.

C. An award cannot want to celebrate something.

D. A sum of money cannot want to celebrate something.

Back to question 687 | Practice ID: GA777-089-1

QUESTION 688 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: folding stools were used by travelers in the western provinces

Find the clue: The opening description, "Far from being recent inventions," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "folding stools." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. The places are not inventions.

B. The opening describes the objects themselves, not the act of using them.

D. The people are not inventions.

Back to question 688 | Practice ID: GA777-095-1

QUESTION 689 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: the titles allow the viewer to encounter each film without a fixed expectation.

Find the clue: The opening description, "Filled with unexpected symbols and disconnected phrases," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "the titles." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. The opening describes the titles or headings, not the works themselves.

B. An encounter is not filled with the listed words or symbols.

C. The titles or headings contain these features, not the audience member.

Back to question 689 | Practice ID: GA777-163-1

QUESTION 690 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: Lina Vale demonstrated in a 2007 analysis that recordings from quiet side streets

Find the clue: The opening description, "A pioneer in the field of community sound mapping," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "Lina Vale." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. An analysis is a piece of research, not a pioneering person.

B. The things being studied are not the pioneering researcher.

C. The empty subject it does not name the person described.

Back to question 690 | Practice ID: GA777-198-1

QUESTION 691 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: researcher Lina Vale has argued that glass production

Find the clue: The opening description, "since uncovering fragments of an older furnace beneath a riverside building," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "researcher Lina Vale." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

B. The activity being studied did not uncover the evidence.

C. The first noun is the argument, which cannot uncover evidence.

D. An argument cannot uncover an object; the researcher can.

Back to question 691 | Practice ID: GA777-080-1

QUESTION 692 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: the Willow Writers Circle provided a valuable forum for sharing drafts and discussing new ideas;

Find the clue: The opening description, "Established in 1942 by regional writer Lina Vale," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "the Willow Writers Circle." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. The opening describes the group, not the place where it met.

C. The grammatical subject is members, but the description belongs to the group.

D. The group was established in that year, not the people in it.

Back to question 692 | Practice ID: GA777-162-1

QUESTION 693 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: visual registration is reached when the two images’ measured separation reaches zero.

Find the clue: The opening description, "A precisely aligned state in which separate images occupy matching positions," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "visual registration." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. The objects are not themselves the state named in the description.

C. The main subject is the pair of objects, but the opening describes a state.

D. The act of reaching the state is not the state itself.

Back to question 693 | Practice ID: GA777-172-1

QUESTION 694 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: Rafi’s 1993 creation of a gentle cleaning method

Find the clue: The opening description, "Named in 2012 as one of the archive field’s most useful technical advances," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "Rafi’s creation of a gentle cleaning method." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. The award describes an achievement, not the person who achieved it.

B. Starting with the date does not fix the problem: the subject is still the person.

D. This choice makes the inventor the subject. The opening describes an achievement, not the person responsible for it.

Back to question 694 | Practice ID: GA777-092-2

QUESTION 695 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: the campaigners increased pressure on officials by maintaining a public vigil

Find the clue: The opening description, "After asking for years," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "the campaigners." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. Pressure cannot ask for improvements; the people did.

B. The officials received the requests. They were not the people making them.

D. A vigil did not spend years asking; the people did.

Back to question 695 | Practice ID: GA777-003-2

QUESTION 696 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: the Harbor Festival Committee sponsored a contest that would award $350 to an individual who came

Find the clue: The opening description, "Wanting to celebrate one hundred years of the harbor festival," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "the Harbor Festival Committee." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

B. A sum of money cannot want to celebrate something.

C. A contest cannot want to celebrate something.

D. An award cannot want to celebrate something.

Back to question 696 | Practice ID: GA777-089-2

QUESTION 697 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: portable sundials were used by merchants in the coastal kingdoms

Find the clue: The opening description, "Far from being recent inventions," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "portable sundials." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. The people are not inventions.

B. The opening describes the objects themselves, not the act of using them.

C. The places are not inventions.

Back to question 697 | Practice ID: GA777-095-2

QUESTION 698 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: the names allow the listener to encounter each composition without a fixed expectation.

Find the clue: The opening description, "Filled with fragments of dialogue and invented words," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "the names." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. The titles or headings contain these features, not the audience member.

C. The opening describes the titles or headings, not the works themselves.

D. An encounter is not filled with the listed words or symbols.

Back to question 698 | Practice ID: GA777-163-2

QUESTION 699 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: Mina Rafi demonstrated in a 2010 analysis that objects made in small households

Find the clue: The opening description, "A pioneer in the field of vernacular design history," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "Mina Rafi." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

B. The things being studied are not the pioneering researcher.

C. The empty subject it does not name the person described.

D. An analysis is a piece of research, not a pioneering person.

Back to question 699 | Practice ID: GA777-198-2

QUESTION 700 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: researcher Mina Rafi has argued that systematic surveying

Find the clue: The opening description, "since uncovering a detailed set of measurements in an overlooked notebook," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "researcher Mina Rafi." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. The activity being studied did not uncover the evidence.

B. An argument cannot uncover an object; the researcher can.

C. The first noun is the argument, which cannot uncover evidence.

Back to question 700 | Practice ID: GA777-080-2

QUESTION 701 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: the Harbor Design Workshop provided a useful setting for developing skills and comparing practical methods;

Find the clue: The opening description, "Established in 1968 by designer Mina Rafi," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "the Harbor Design Workshop." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. The grammatical subject is members, but the description belongs to the group.

B. The opening describes the group, not the place where it met.

D. The group was established in that year, not the people in it.

Back to question 701 | Practice ID: GA777-162-2

QUESTION 702 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: phase synchrony is reached when the devices’ cycles coincide.

Find the clue: The opening description, "A coordinated state in which repeated motions follow the same timing," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "phase synchrony." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. The objects are not themselves the state named in the description.

B. The main subject is the pair of objects, but the opening describes a state.

D. The act of reaching the state is not the state itself.

Back to question 702 | Practice ID: GA777-172-2

QUESTION 703 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: Chen’s 1998 invention of a compact sorting device

Find the clue: The opening description, "Named in 2015 as one of the district’s most influential design achievements," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "Chen’s invention of a compact sorting device." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

B. This choice makes the inventor the subject. The opening describes an achievement, not the person responsible for it.

C. The award describes an achievement, not the person who achieved it.

D. Starting with the date does not fix the problem: the subject is still the person.

Back to question 703 | Practice ID: GA777-092-3

QUESTION 704 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: the campaigners increased pressure on officials by maintaining a public vigil

Find the clue: The opening description, "After asking for years," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "the campaigners." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. Pressure cannot ask for improvements; the people did.

B. A vigil did not spend years asking; the people did.

C. The officials received the requests. They were not the people making them.

Back to question 704 | Practice ID: GA777-003-3

QUESTION 705 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: the Community Garden Committee sponsored a contest that would award $150 to an individual who came

Find the clue: The opening description, "Wanting to celebrate the opening of a new community garden," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "the Community Garden Committee." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

B. A sum of money cannot want to celebrate something.

C. An award cannot want to celebrate something.

D. A contest cannot want to celebrate something.

Back to question 705 | Practice ID: GA777-089-3

QUESTION 706 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: water clocks were used by craftspeople in the river settlements

Find the clue: The opening description, "Far from being recent inventions," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "water clocks." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. The opening describes the objects themselves, not the act of using them.

B. The places are not inventions.

C. The people are not inventions.

Back to question 706 | Practice ID: GA777-095-3

QUESTION 707 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: the headings allow the visitor to encounter each collection without a fixed expectation.

Find the clue: The opening description, "Filled with abbreviations and seemingly unrelated numbers," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "the headings." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. The titles or headings contain these features, not the audience member.

B. The opening describes the titles or headings, not the works themselves.

C. An encounter is not filled with the listed words or symbols.

Back to question 707 | Practice ID: GA777-163-3

QUESTION 708 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: Nora Chen demonstrated in a 2013 analysis that directions remembered by local residents

Find the clue: The opening description, "A pioneer in the field of oral landscape research," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "Nora Chen." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. An analysis is a piece of research, not a pioneering person.

B. The empty subject it does not name the person described.

C. The things being studied are not the pioneering researcher.

Back to question 708 | Practice ID: GA777-198-3

QUESTION 709 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: researcher Nora Chen has argued that organized instruction

Find the clue: The opening description, "since uncovering a collection of earlier teaching exercises in a private archive," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "researcher Nora Chen." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. An argument cannot uncover an object; the researcher can.

B. The first noun is the argument, which cannot uncover evidence.

D. The activity being studied did not uncover the evidence.

Back to question 709 | Practice ID: GA777-080-3

QUESTION 710 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: the Eastmere Memory Project provided a shared space for collecting accounts and exchanging information;

Find the clue: The opening description, "Established in 1981 by historian Nora Chen," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "the Eastmere Memory Project." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. The group was established in that year, not the people in it.

B. The opening describes the group, not the place where it met.

D. The grammatical subject is members, but the description belongs to the group.

Back to question 710 | Practice ID: GA777-162-3

QUESTION 711 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: signal balance is reached when the two inputs’ strengths become equal.

Find the clue: The opening description, "A neutral state in which equal opposing inputs leave no net output," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "signal balance." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. The act of reaching the state is not the state itself.

B. The main subject is the pair of objects, but the opening describes a state.

D. The objects are not themselves the state named in the description.

Back to question 711 | Practice ID: GA777-172-3

QUESTION 712 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: Hart’s 2001 development of a stable reference sensor

Find the clue: The opening description, "Named in 2019 as one of the laboratory’s most significant accomplishments," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "Hart’s development of a stable reference sensor." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

B. The award describes an achievement, not the person who achieved it.

C. This choice makes the inventor the subject. The opening describes an achievement, not the person responsible for it.

D. Starting with the date does not fix the problem: the subject is still the person.

Back to question 712 | Practice ID: GA777-092-4

QUESTION 713 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: counterweighted doors were used by builders in the southern cities

Find the clue: The opening description, "Far from being recent inventions," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "counterweighted doors." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. The opening describes the objects themselves, not the act of using them.

B. The places are not inventions.

D. The people are not inventions.

Back to question 713 | Practice ID: GA777-095-4

QUESTION 714 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: the titles allow the reader to encounter each story without a fixed expectation.

Find the clue: The opening description, "Filled with small drawings and unfamiliar combinations of letters," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "the titles." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

B. The titles or headings contain these features, not the audience member.

C. The opening describes the titles or headings, not the works themselves.

D. An encounter is not filled with the listed words or symbols.

Back to question 714 | Practice ID: GA777-163-4

QUESTION 715 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: researcher Dalia Hart has argued that use of that system

Find the clue: The opening description, "since uncovering a set of marked wooden pipes from an earlier workshop," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "researcher Dalia Hart." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

B. The first noun is the argument, which cannot uncover evidence.

C. The activity being studied did not uncover the evidence.

D. An argument cannot uncover an object; the researcher can.

Back to question 715 | Practice ID: GA777-080-4

QUESTION 716 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: the Maren Music Group provided a welcoming place for rehearsing works and exploring new arrangements;

Find the clue: The opening description, "Established in 1995 by musician Dalia Hart," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "the Maren Music Group." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

B. The opening describes the group, not the place where it met.

C. The group was established in that year, not the people in it.

D. The grammatical subject is members, but the description belongs to the group.

Back to question 716 | Practice ID: GA777-162-4

QUESTION 717 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: static balance is reached when the two loads’ turning effects become equal.

Find the clue: The opening description, "A motionless state in which opposing turning effects exactly cancel," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "static balance." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

B. The main subject is the pair of objects, but the opening describes a state.

C. The act of reaching the state is not the state itself.

D. The objects are not themselves the state named in the description.

Back to question 717 | Practice ID: GA777-172-4

QUESTION 718 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: The Narrow Passage tells the story of Maren, a navigator who

Find the clue: The opening description, "Based on events that occurred when the harbor was controlled by a council of trading families," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "The Narrow Passage." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. Starting with the character’s occupation still makes the character the subject.

B. There does not name the work described by the opening.

C. The work is based on historical events; the character is not a work based on events.

Back to question 718 | Practice ID: GA777-021-1

QUESTION 719 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: portable electronic gauges have two practical limitations:

Find the clue: The opening description, "Despite being lightweight, inexpensive, and simple to install," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "portable electronic gauges." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

B. There does not name the objects described by the opening.

C. Limitations are not the things that are lightweight, strong, compact, or colorful.

D. The main subject is limitations, not the objects described. A possessive name does not fix the mismatch.

Back to question 719 | Practice ID: GA777-002-1

QUESTION 720 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: local libraries and community archives can exchange books and historical documents through their connected catalogs and common search tools.

Find the clue: The opening description, "Forming a shared regional network," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "local libraries and community archives." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. The materials do not organize themselves into the network. The participating groups do.

B. The exchange is made possible by the network; it is not the group forming the network.

D. It does not name the groups that form the network.

Back to question 720 | Practice ID: GA777-153-1

QUESTION 721 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: these barriers reduce windborne soil loss by an estimated 40 percent, according to a recent study.

Find the clue: The opening description, "Shielding loose soil from moving air," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "these barriers." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. The study measures the effect; it does not carry out the physical action.

B. The reduction is an effect, not the object carrying out the action.

C. An estimate cannot perform the physical action in the opening.

Back to question 721 | Practice ID: GA777-071-1

QUESTION 722 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: the valley’s council is one of the oldest planning institutions in the region, first opening in 1884.

Find the clue: The opening description, "A regional planning body officially known as the Valley Assembly," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "the valley’s council." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. The opening describes an institution, not the event when it opened.

B. A year is not the institution described by the opening.

C. The opening names one institution, but the subject here is a whole plural group.

Back to question 722 | Practice ID: GA777-147-1

QUESTION 723 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: Lina Vale’s novel, first presented two years before the town adopted a new civic charter,

Find the clue: The opening description, "A family narrative, a portrait of a changing town, and a close study of inherited expectations," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "Lina Vale’s novel." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. The subject is the creator, but the description belongs to the work.

B. The list describes a creative work, not a community.

D. Adding another opening phrase does not fix the mismatch between the work’s description and the creator.

Back to question 723 | Practice ID: GA777-107-1

QUESTION 724 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: the baffles have reduced both distracting echoes and the resulting difficulty of hearing nearby speakers.

Find the clue: The opening description, "By limiting the noise that reaches adjacent tables," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "the baffles." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

B. The problems are being reduced; they are not the things doing the reducing.

C. An improvement is the result, not the device carrying out the action.

D. The effects do not carry out the physical action described.

Back to question 724 | Practice ID: GA777-119-1

QUESTION 725 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: many critics have emphasized regional writer Lina Vale’s borrowings from international detective fiction but

Find the clue: The opening description, "In assessing the novels of regional writer Lina Vale," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "many critics." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. The features of the works cannot assess the works. The critics can.

B. There is an empty opening subject; it does not name the people assessing.

C. The emphasis is not a person who can assess a work.

Back to question 725 | Practice ID: GA777-058-1

QUESTION 726 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: the researchers propose that visitors mistake a mirrored opening for an exit and return to the same point while trying to leave the room.

Find the clue: The opening description, "Knowing that people often use prominent doorways as landmarks," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "the researchers." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. The opening refers to the researchers’ knowledge, not the behavior of their subjects.

C. Putting the researchers later in the sentence does not repair the opening mismatch.

D. A proposal cannot know a fact; the people proposing it can.

Back to question 726 | Practice ID: GA777-017-1

QUESTION 727 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: the experimental mesh does not repeat the uniform pattern found in the standard grid.

Find the clue: The opening description, "Defined by an irregular arrangement of crossing strands," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "the experimental mesh." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

B. The first example has the opposite feature from the one in the opening.

C. The opening describes the irregular second example, not the regular first one.

D. The lack of uniformity is an abstract idea, not the object described.

Back to question 727 | Practice ID: GA777-103-1

QUESTION 728 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: the sculptural chairs of designer Lina Vale are

Find the clue: The opening description, "Shaped from reclaimed wood and carefully joined," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "the sculptural chairs." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. The objects were shaped, cast, folded, or built. The artist was not.

C. The artist’s occupation does not make the artist the object described by the opening.

D. The main subject is still the artist rather than the objects described.

Back to question 728 | Practice ID: GA777-088-1

QUESTION 729 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: findings from a 2018 study suggested that locally available wood and reused metal were the primary materials in small rural workshops.

Find the clue: The opening description, "Supported by detailed comparisons of more than 1,800 workshop inventories from the nineteenth century," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "findings from a 2018 study." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. The evidence supports a research conclusion, not the materials or tools themselves.

B. The people or workshops are not the findings supported by the analysis.

D. The main subject is the elements of the activity, not the findings that the evidence supports.

Back to question 729 | Practice ID: GA777-013-1

QUESTION 730 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: thermal maps show that while responding to a brief heating test, the most thoroughly insulated wall sections have

Find the clue: The opening description, "Images of heat patterns on a surface," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "thermal maps." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. The structures or devices are not images, records, plots, or measurements.

C. Responses are not the specific records defined by the opening phrase.

D. The general results are not the named kind of record described in the opening.

Back to question 730 | Practice ID: GA777-047-1

QUESTION 731 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: Vale resumed her duties,

Find the clue: The opening description, "Upon returning six months later," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "Vale." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

B. The first subject is it, which does not name the returning person.

C. A management role did not physically return. The person did.

D. Leadership is an abstract idea; the person returned.

Back to question 731 | Practice ID: GA777-186-1

QUESTION 732 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: A Window on the Square tells the story of Sela, a young printer who

Find the clue: The opening description, "Based on events that occurred when the town’s printing houses were subject to strict licensing," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "A Window on the Square." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. There does not name the work described by the opening.

B. Starting with the character’s occupation still makes the character the subject.

C. The work is based on historical events; the character is not a work based on events.

Back to question 732 | Practice ID: GA777-021-2

QUESTION 733 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: the new composite panels have two practical limitations:

Find the clue: The opening description, "Despite being strong, versatile, and easy to shape," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "the new composite panels." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. Limitations are not the things that are lightweight, strong, compact, or colorful.

B. The main subject is limitations, not the objects described. A possessive name does not fix the mismatch.

C. There does not name the objects described by the opening.

Back to question 733 | Practice ID: GA777-002-2

QUESTION 734 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: small studios and neighborhood workshops can exchange tools and spare materials through their shared schedules and linked inventory lists.

Find the clue: The opening description, "Forming an extensive working network," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "small studios and neighborhood workshops." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

B. The materials do not organize themselves into the network. The participating groups do.

C. It does not name the groups that form the network.

D. The exchange is made possible by the network; it is not the group forming the network.

Back to question 734 | Practice ID: GA777-153-2

QUESTION 735 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: these rafts reduce the amount of excess nutrients in the ponds by an estimated 35 percent, according to a recent study.

Find the clue: The opening description, "Removing dissolved material from the surrounding water," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "these rafts." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

B. The study measures the effect; it does not carry out the physical action.

C. The reduction is an effect, not the object carrying out the action.

D. An estimate cannot perform the physical action in the opening.

Back to question 735 | Practice ID: GA777-071-2

QUESTION 736 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: the harbor’s archive is one of the oldest document collections in the region, first opening in 1906.

Find the clue: The opening description, "A public archive officially known as the Harbor Record House," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "the harbor’s archive." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. A year is not the institution described by the opening.

B. The opening describes an institution, not the event when it opened.

D. The opening names one institution, but the subject here is a whole plural group.

Back to question 736 | Practice ID: GA777-147-2

QUESTION 737 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: Mina Rafi’s film, first presented two years before the old workshops finally closed,

Find the clue: The opening description, "A record of daily labor, a meditation on memory, and an account of a disappearing industry," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "Mina Rafi’s film." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. Adding another opening phrase does not fix the mismatch between the work’s description and the creator.

C. The subject is the creator, but the description belongs to the work.

D. The list describes a creative work, not a community.

Back to question 737 | Practice ID: GA777-107-2

QUESTION 738 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: the screens have lessened both unwanted glare and the resulting discomfort of using computer displays.

Find the clue: The opening description, "By reducing the sunlight striking the windows," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "the screens." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

B. The effects do not carry out the physical action described.

C. The problems are being reduced; they are not the things doing the reducing.

D. An improvement is the result, not the device carrying out the action.

Back to question 738 | Practice ID: GA777-119-2

QUESTION 739 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: many critics have emphasized architect Mina Rafi’s references to monumental public architecture but

Find the clue: The opening description, "In assessing the buildings of architect Mina Rafi," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "many critics." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. The emphasis is not a person who can assess a work.

B. The features of the works cannot assess the works. The critics can.

C. There is an empty opening subject; it does not name the people assessing.

Back to question 739 | Practice ID: GA777-058-2

QUESTION 740 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: the researchers propose that the robots interpret bright reflections as open pathways and adjust their direction while approaching such surfaces.

Find the clue: The opening description, "Knowing that the robots use differences in brightness to guide their movement," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "the researchers." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. Putting the researchers later in the sentence does not repair the opening mismatch.

B. A proposal cannot know a fact; the people proposing it can.

C. The opening refers to the researchers’ knowledge, not the behavior of their subjects.

Back to question 740 | Practice ID: GA777-017-2

QUESTION 741 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: the woodland layout does not use the repeated intersections found in the formal layout.

Find the clue: The opening description, "Defined by a winding arrangement of routes with no fixed spacing," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "the woodland layout." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. The opening describes the irregular second example, not the regular first one.

B. The first example has the opposite feature from the one in the opening.

D. The lack of uniformity is an abstract idea, not the object described.

Back to question 741 | Practice ID: GA777-103-2

QUESTION 742 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: the decorative vessels of artist Mina Rafi are

Find the clue: The opening description, "Cast from discarded glass and slowly cooled," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "the decorative vessels." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. The artist’s occupation does not make the artist the object described by the opening.

B. The main subject is still the artist rather than the objects described.

D. The objects were shaped, cast, folded, or built. The artist was not.

Back to question 742 | Practice ID: GA777-088-2

QUESTION 743 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: findings from a 2020 study suggested that iron-rich earth and crushed charcoal were the main sources of color in regional pottery.

Find the clue: The opening description, "Supported by chemical analyses of over 1,500 fragments of painted pottery from several neighboring settlements," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "findings from a 2020 study." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. The people or workshops are not the findings supported by the analysis.

B. The evidence supports a research conclusion, not the materials or tools themselves.

D. The main subject is the elements of the activity, not the findings that the evidence supports.

Back to question 743 | Practice ID: GA777-013-2

QUESTION 744 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: level traces show that while responding to a simulated storm, the most heavily planted collection basins have

Find the clue: The opening description, "Records of changes in water level over time," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "level traces." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. The general results are not the named kind of record described in the opening.

B. Responses are not the specific records defined by the opening phrase.

D. The structures or devices are not images, records, plots, or measurements.

Back to question 744 | Practice ID: GA777-047-2

QUESTION 745 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: Rafi resumed her duties,

Find the clue: The opening description, "Upon returning the following spring," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "Rafi." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

B. The first subject is it, which does not name the returning person.

C. Leadership is an abstract idea; the person returned.

D. A management role did not physically return. The person did.

Back to question 745 | Practice ID: GA777-186-2

QUESTION 746 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: The Last Caravan tells the story of Orin, a mountain guide who

Find the clue: The opening description, "Based on events that occurred when travel through the mountain pass required official permission," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "The Last Caravan." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

B. Starting with the character’s occupation still makes the character the subject.

C. The work is based on historical events; the character is not a work based on events.

D. There does not name the work described by the opening.

Back to question 746 | Practice ID: GA777-021-3

QUESTION 747 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: the experimental power units have two practical limitations:

Find the clue: The opening description, "Despite being compact, quiet, and easy to transport," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "the experimental power units." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. The main subject is limitations, not the objects described. A possessive name does not fix the mismatch.

B. There does not name the objects described by the opening.

D. Limitations are not the things that are lightweight, strong, compact, or colorful.

Back to question 747 | Practice ID: GA777-002-3

QUESTION 748 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: community gardens and small farms can exchange seeds and growing information through their combined seed stores and shared planting records.

Find the clue: The opening description, "Forming an interconnected exchange network," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "community gardens and small farms." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. The materials do not organize themselves into the network. The participating groups do.

B. It does not name the groups that form the network.

C. The exchange is made possible by the network; it is not the group forming the network.

Back to question 748 | Practice ID: GA777-153-3

QUESTION 749 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: these panels reduce the measured noise level in nearby workspaces by an estimated 25 percent, according to a recent study.

Find the clue: The opening description, "Absorbing sound before it reaches adjoining rooms," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "these panels." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. An estimate cannot perform the physical action in the opening.

B. The study measures the effect; it does not carry out the physical action.

D. The reduction is an effect, not the object carrying out the action.

Back to question 749 | Practice ID: GA777-071-3

QUESTION 750 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: the town’s theater is one of the oldest performance spaces in the region, first opening in 1932.

Find the clue: The opening description, "A community theater officially known as the Willow Stage," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "the town’s theater." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

B. The opening describes an institution, not the event when it opened.

C. A year is not the institution described by the opening.

D. The opening names one institution, but the subject here is a whole plural group.

Back to question 750 | Practice ID: GA777-147-3

QUESTION 751 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: Nora Chen’s graphic narrative, first presented two years before the district began its major rebuilding program,

Find the clue: The opening description, "A coming-of-age story, a visual exploration of urban space, and a reflection on family history," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "Nora Chen’s graphic narrative." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. Adding another opening phrase does not fix the mismatch between the work’s description and the creator.

C. The list describes a creative work, not a community.

D. The subject is the creator, but the description belongs to the work.

Back to question 751 | Practice ID: GA777-107-3

QUESTION 752 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: the traps have reduced both muddy water and the resulting buildup of sediment on the pond floor.

Find the clue: The opening description, "By removing loose material before it enters the pond," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "the traps." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. An improvement is the result, not the device carrying out the action.

B. The problems are being reduced; they are not the things doing the reducing.

C. The effects do not carry out the physical action described.

Back to question 752 | Practice ID: GA777-119-3

QUESTION 753 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: many critics have emphasized documentarian Nora Chen’s use of dramatic natural landscapes but

Find the clue: The opening description, "In assessing the photographs of documentarian Nora Chen," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "many critics." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. The emphasis is not a person who can assess a work.

C. There is an empty opening subject; it does not name the people assessing.

D. The features of the works cannot assess the works. The critics can.

Back to question 753 | Practice ID: GA777-058-3

QUESTION 754 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: the researchers propose that the birds treat reflected sky as a clear route and redirect their flight while moving near the windows.

Find the clue: The opening description, "Knowing that the birds usually orient toward open stretches of sky," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "the researchers." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

B. Putting the researchers later in the sentence does not repair the opening mismatch.

C. A proposal cannot know a fact; the people proposing it can.

D. The opening refers to the researchers’ knowledge, not the behavior of their subjects.

Back to question 754 | Practice ID: GA777-017-3

QUESTION 755 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: the second sequence does not maintain the fixed spacing found in the regular rhythm.

Find the clue: The opening description, "Defined by an uneven pattern of intervals between pulses," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "the second sequence." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. The opening describes the irregular second example, not the regular first one.

B. The first example has the opposite feature from the one in the opening.

C. The lack of uniformity is an abstract idea, not the object described.

Back to question 755 | Practice ID: GA777-103-3

QUESTION 756 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: the sculptural books of artist Nora Chen are

Find the clue: The opening description, "Folded from layered paper and bound by hand," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "the sculptural books." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. The artist’s occupation does not make the artist the object described by the opening.

B. The main subject is still the artist rather than the objects described.

C. The objects were shaped, cast, folded, or built. The artist was not.

Back to question 756 | Practice ID: GA777-088-3

QUESTION 757 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: findings from a 2022 study suggested that short spans and repeated supports were the defining features of early roof structures.

Find the clue: The opening description, "Supported by measurements of more than 2,000 surviving beams from early public buildings," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "findings from a 2022 study." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. The evidence supports a research conclusion, not the materials or tools themselves.

B. The people or workshops are not the findings supported by the analysis.

C. The main subject is the elements of the activity, not the findings that the evidence supports.

Back to question 757 | Practice ID: GA777-013-3

QUESTION 758 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: signal diagrams show that while operating near a competing transmitter, the most carefully shielded devices have

Find the clue: The opening description, "Plots of variations in an instrument’s output," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "signal diagrams." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. The structures or devices are not images, records, plots, or measurements.

C. The general results are not the named kind of record described in the opening.

D. Responses are not the specific records defined by the opening phrase.

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QUESTION 759 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: Chen resumed her duties,

Find the clue: The opening description, "Upon returning three months later," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "Chen." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

B. The first subject is it, which does not name the returning person.

C. Leadership is an abstract idea; the person returned.

D. A management role did not physically return. The person did.

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QUESTION 760 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: Voices beyond the Gate tells the story of Tarin, a musician who

Find the clue: The opening description, "Based on events that occurred when the city’s public performances were controlled by a single office," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "Voices beyond the Gate." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. The work is based on historical events; the character is not a work based on events.

B. Starting with the character’s occupation still makes the character the subject.

D. There does not name the work described by the opening.

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QUESTION 761 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: the synthetic display fabrics have two practical limitations:

Find the clue: The opening description, "Despite being colorful, durable, and inexpensive to manufacture," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "the synthetic display fabrics." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. Limitations are not the things that are lightweight, strong, compact, or colorful.

B. There does not name the objects described by the opening.

C. The main subject is limitations, not the objects described. A possessive name does not fix the mismatch.

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QUESTION 762 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: evening schools and volunteer teaching groups can exchange learning materials and teaching ideas through their joint collections and regularly updated activity lists.

Find the clue: The opening description, "Forming a regional support network," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "evening schools and volunteer teaching groups." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. The materials do not organize themselves into the network. The participating groups do.

B. It does not name the groups that form the network.

C. The exchange is made possible by the network; it is not the group forming the network.

Back to question 762 | Practice ID: GA777-153-4

QUESTION 763 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: these coatings reduce the amount of heat entering the upper rooms by an estimated 30 percent, according to a recent study.

Find the clue: The opening description, "Sending part of the incoming light away from the building," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "these coatings." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. The study measures the effect; it does not carry out the physical action.

B. An estimate cannot perform the physical action in the opening.

C. The reduction is an effect, not the object carrying out the action.

Back to question 763 | Practice ID: GA777-071-4

QUESTION 764 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: the district’s center is one of the oldest practical teaching institutions in the region, first opening in 1957.

Find the clue: The opening description, "A craft training center officially known as the Eastmere Workshop," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "the district’s center." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. The opening describes an institution, not the event when it opened.

C. The opening names one institution, but the subject here is a whole plural group.

D. A year is not the institution described by the opening.

Back to question 764 | Practice ID: GA777-147-4

QUESTION 765 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: Dalia Hart’s play, first presented two years before the local public hall reopened,

Find the clue: The opening description, "A neighborhood comedy, a study of unexpected friendship, and a quiet argument for shared space," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "Dalia Hart’s play." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. Adding another opening phrase does not fix the mismatch between the work’s description and the creator.

B. The subject is the creator, but the description belongs to the work.

C. The list describes a creative work, not a community.

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QUESTION 766 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: the joints have limited both structural stress and the resulting damage to the outer panels.

Find the clue: The opening description, "By allowing adjoining sections to move slightly," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "the joints." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. The effects do not carry out the physical action described.

B. The problems are being reduced; they are not the things doing the reducing.

D. An improvement is the result, not the device carrying out the action.

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QUESTION 767 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: many critics have emphasized musician Dalia Hart’s adaptations of established concert forms but

Find the clue: The opening description, "In assessing the compositions of musician Dalia Hart," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "many critics." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. The emphasis is not a person who can assess a work.

B. The features of the works cannot assess the works. The critics can.

D. There is an empty opening subject; it does not name the people assessing.

Back to question 767 | Practice ID: GA777-058-4

QUESTION 768 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: the researchers propose that the performers interpret a short sound delay as slow playing and increase their pace while listening to the amplified signal.

Find the clue: The opening description, "Knowing that players rely partly on the sound of their own movements," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "the researchers." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. A proposal cannot know a fact; the people proposing it can.

C. Putting the researchers later in the sentence does not repair the opening mismatch.

D. The opening refers to the researchers' knowledge, not the behavior of their subjects.

Back to question 768 | Practice ID: GA777-017-4

QUESTION 769 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: the second panel does not reflect light in the uniform way seen in the smooth layer.

Find the clue: The opening description, "Defined by an uneven surface containing many small raised areas," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "the second panel." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. The first example has the opposite feature from the one in the opening.

B. The lack of uniformity is an abstract idea, not the object described.

C. The opening describes the irregular second example, not the regular first one.

Back to question 769 | Practice ID: GA777-103-4

QUESTION 770 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: the hanging lamps of designer Dalia Hart are

Find the clue: The opening description, "Built from thin strips of bamboo and tightly woven," must describe the noun that comes right after it. That noun should be "the hanging lamps." Put the description and that noun together to check the meaning. The correct choice places the right person or thing there and completes the rest of the sentence clearly.

A. The objects were shaped, cast, folded, or built. The artist was not.

B. The main subject is still the artist rather than the objects described.

C. The artist's occupation does not make the artist the object described by the opening.

Back to question 770 | Practice ID: GA777-088-4

QUESTION 771 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: the Route Directness Index of a highly winding route will be much lower.

Find the clue: The phrase "that of" stands for the score or rating of the first example. The next subject must be the score or rating of the other example. Compare a score with a score, not a score with an entire route, collection, sheet, or service.

B. The main subject is the example itself, not its score.

C. This compares a score with an entire example instead of with another score.

D. The opening comparison has no matching subject immediately after it; the sentence starts by discussing an example.

Back to question 771 | Practice ID: GA777-027-1

QUESTION 772 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: the loose layout’s spatial arrangement is more dispersed, producing a practical disadvantage:

Find the clue: The words "that of" refer to the first example’s spatial arrangement. The next subject must therefore be the other example’s spatial arrangement. Comparing matching features keeps the sentence logical. The colon then introduces the specific problem caused by that feature.

A. The subject is again the whole item rather than the matching feature.

C. The subject is the whole item, but the opening refers to one feature of another item.

D. A disadvantage is not the feature being compared in the opening.

Back to question 772 | Practice ID: GA777-113-1

QUESTION 773 / ANSWER B

Correct choice: the Collection Variety Score of a narrowly specialized collection will be much lower.

Find the clue: The phrase "that of" stands for the score or rating of the first example. The next subject must be the score or rating of the other example. Compare a score with a score, not a score with an entire route, collection, sheet, or service.

A. This compares a score with an entire example instead of with another score.

C. The main subject is the example itself, not its score.

D. The opening comparison has no matching subject immediately after it; the sentence starts by discussing an example.

Back to question 773 | Practice ID: GA777-027-2

QUESTION 774 / ANSWER A

Correct choice: the experimental fabric’s thread arrangement is less regular, producing a practical disadvantage:

Find the clue: The words "that of" refer to the first example’s thread arrangement. The next subject must therefore be the other example’s thread arrangement. Comparing matching features keeps the sentence logical. The colon then introduces the specific problem caused by that feature.

B. The subject is again the whole item rather than the matching feature.

C. A disadvantage is not the feature being compared in the opening.

D. The subject is the whole item, but the opening refers to one feature of another item.

Back to question 774 | Practice ID: GA777-113-2

QUESTION 775 / ANSWER C

Correct choice: the Surface Uniformity Rating of a roughly textured sheet will be much lower.

Find the clue: The phrase "that of" stands for the score or rating of the first example. The next subject must be the score or rating of the other example. Compare a score with a score, not a score with an entire route, collection, sheet, or service.

A. The opening comparison has no matching subject immediately after it; the sentence starts by discussing an example.

B. The main subject is the example itself, not its score.

D. This compares a score with an entire example instead of with another score.

Back to question 775 | Practice ID: GA777-027-3

QUESTION 776 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: the new system’s compartment structure is less capacious, producing a practical disadvantage:

Find the clue: The words "that of" refer to the first example’s compartment structure. The next subject must therefore be the other example’s compartment structure. Comparing matching features keeps the sentence logical. The colon then introduces the specific problem caused by that feature.

A. The subject is again the whole item rather than the matching feature.

B. A disadvantage is not the feature being compared in the opening.

C. The subject is the whole item, but the opening refers to one feature of another item.

Back to question 776 | Practice ID: GA777-113-3

QUESTION 777 / ANSWER D

Correct choice: the Schedule Regularity Score of an irregular service will be much lower.

Find the clue: The phrase "that of" stands for the score or rating of the first example. The next subject must be the score or rating of the other example. Compare a score with a score, not a score with an entire route, collection, sheet, or service.

A. This compares a score with an entire example instead of with another score.

B. The main subject is the example itself, not its score.

C. The opening comparison has no matching subject immediately after it; the sentence starts by discussing an example.

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Your grammar checklist

Before you lock in an answer, ask the question that matches the choices.

Different singular and plural verbs?

Find the real subject. Remove the distracting details. Is the subject one or more than one?

Different verb times?

Circle the dates and words such as today, each year, since, by, and when. Put the events in order.

A complete verb versus -ing or to?

Find the main verb of the clause. Is it missing, or is it already there? Decide whether the blank needs a complete action, a description, or a purpose.

Different pronouns?

Name the exact person, thing, or idea being replaced. Match number, role, and meaning.

Different apostrophes?

Count the owners. Decide whether each noun is merely plural or is showing ownership. Expand it's and they're.

Different sentence openings?

Ask who or what the opening description fits. Put that subject next. If it is a comparison, compare matching things.

Say it simply: "I chose ___ because the clue is ___ and the rule is ___."
If you can explain your answer clearly, you are learning the skill.

Study one topic. Review the mistakes. Try the questions again.