

C.A. P.O.W. #10

Section 1: Context Clues

Circle the letter of the correct answer.

1. Alfred Nobel invented dynamite. He was, however, a pacifist who felt bad about the destructive power that he created. He established the Nobel Prize as an award for outstanding achievement in physics, chemistry, medicine, peace, literature, and economics.

Looking at the context, what is the definition of pacifist?

- A. a person against violence
 - B. a very famous scientist
 - C. a cruel, violent person
 - D. an inventor of explosives
2. Benjamin went to the register to pay for his baseball.
The word register in this sentence means
- A. to indicate or show
 - B. an object that holds money
 - C. to enroll in a course of study
 - D. to have an effect on a person
3. One of the recognizable characteristics of the male cardinal is the bright red feathers.
What is the meaning of the word characteristics in the sentence above?
- A. something beautiful and fragile
 - B. a feature that helps to identify something
 - C. a light, flat growth that helps a bird fly
 - D. something that scares off predators
4. The author writes, "The recital was going to be the typical blend of amateur songs, dances, and acting that took place in countless towns across the country on any given night."
What does the word typical mean?
- A. typing
 - B. hopeful
 - C. usual
 - D. unique

Section 2: Topic, Main Idea, and Supporting Detail

1) Nearly all sports balls have a tough outer covering or surface and a somewhat springy inside. 2) Super-ball style balls are springy almost all the way through. 3) Sports balls all bounce to some degree. 4) Curling is played with a kind of stone instead of a ball. 5) Many sports balls, like basketballs, were originally made of strong leather. 6) Basketballs used in the National Basketball Association are still made of leather.

Which sentence in the passage does not support the main idea?

- A. 6
- B. 4
- C. 2
- D. 1

2. Mad Cow Disease has received a lot of news attention lately. It is a brain disease in cattle. It causes odd behavior, difficulty walking, and eventually death. Scientists believe this disease came about recently. It comes from feeding cattle extra vitamins that have parts from sick sheep.

What is the topic of this paragraph?

- A. cattle ranchers
- B. media coverage
- C. Mad Cow Disease
- D. scientific theories

Section 3: Figurative Language

Directions: Identify the following sentences as simile, metaphor, hyperbole, idiom, personification, or onomatopoeia.

- _____ 1. As the sun peeked over the mountain, the two kids were already headed for the lake.
- _____ 2. The aqua-blue water was a shiny mirror.
- _____ 3. Andy started the engine, and the boat shot off like a rocket.
- _____ 4. I think I may have another trick up my sleeve.
- _____ 5. You're lucky. That fish you caught must weigh a ton!
- _____ 6. The birds chirped all around the campers.

Section 4: Subject/Predicate

Directions: Underline each complete subject once and each complete predicate twice. Then place an "SS" above the simple subject and a "SP" above the simple predicate.

SS

SP

Ex - The quarterback, Aaron Rodgers, threw the ball down the field.

- 1. The black, stray cat jumped across the rooftops.
- 2. The team in the white shirts won the game.
- 3. I won the lottery!
- 4. My phone made a strange noise.
- 5. The student sharpened her pencil.