Language Form and Meaning

Directions

In this section of the test, you will answer 42 questions found in seven different texts. Within each text are boxes that contain four possible ways to complete a sentence. Choose the word or words in each box that correctly complete each sentence. Mark the letter of the correct answer on your answer sheet.

Here are two sample questions:

1. While some forest fires
   (A) cause
   (B) causing
   (C) are caused
   (D) will cause
   by humans, most of them happen due to lightning striking the ground during a region's dry season. In fact, some places

2.
   (A) accept
   (B) endure
   (C) permit
   (D) strike
   forest fires on a yearly basis.

The correct answer to **Sample 1** is (C), "are caused." The correct answer to **Sample 2** is (B), "endure."

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Questions 1-4 refer to the following advertisement.

This Friday night at seven o'clock, the drama club is pleased

1.
   (A) presenting the production
   (B) for presenting this production
   (C) with the present production
   (D) to present a production
   of Shakespeare's *As You Like It*. The student cast has

2. worked hard
   (A) performing
   (B) rehearsing
   (C) remembering
   (D) observing
   for the play for the past two months and would appreciate a big crowd at the performance. Tickets cost $5 and may be purchased from the school's front office or at the door prior to the beginning of the play. The lead actor is

3. Ryan McClellan while Katie Burgess has the lead female role. The play
   (A) directs
   (B) is directing
   (C) is directed
   (D) will direct
   by Edward Holliman, the school's art teacher. Please be sure to

4.
   (A) set aside some time
   (B) setting aside the time
   (C) set some of the time aside
   (D) setting some time aside
   on Friday night to support the cast. The play will be held in the school's auditorium.

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Questions 5-8 refer to the following announcement.

5. This spring semester, the school is going to
(A) register
(B) delay
(C) suspend
(D) detain
classes for two weeks.

From Monday, April 6, to Friday, April 17, there will be no classes. Instead, students will spend those two weeks interning at local businesses. A number of area businesses

6.
(A) in several different fields
(B) with several differences in fields
(C) for the several different fields
(D) by several of the different fields
have agreed to take on student interns.

These include some local hospitals, colleges, libraries, and government offices. By doing these internships, students will be able to get hands-on experience at jobs

7.
(A) what they can do
(B) which they are doing
(C) that they may do
(D) how they are doing
in the future. Students may also feel free to arrange their own

internships. Contact Mr. Farguson or Mr. Whittaker for more information. We hope it

8. will be
(A) a big success
(B) a bigger success
(C) the biggest success
(D) as big a success as
than last year's attempt at the same program.

Questions 9-12 refer to the following diary entry.

Dear Diary,

I'm really looking forward to tomorrow's field trip to Mercy Hospital.

9.
(A) In addition to the schedule
(B) Consequently, the schedule
(C) According to the schedule
(D) Nevertheless, with the schedule
Ms. Lewis gave the class, we are going to

10. spend time
(A) to five departments.
(B) in up to five departments.
(C) by five of the departments.
(D) for all five departments.
Among them are the cancer ward, the

emergency room, and the physical therapy section. For the past couple of years, I have considered becoming a doctor in the future. Actually seeing some doctors at work should

11. help me
(A) final
(B) finally
(C) finalize
(D) finalization
my decision. I might decide that being a doctor is not the

profession for me. Or I might see all of the doctors at work and feel that I simply must

12. become one. Who knows
(A) what will happen?
(B) when it happens?
(C) where it happens?
(D) how they will happen?
I guess I need to wait until

tomorrow to find out.

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Questions 13-20 refer to the following letter.

Dear Helgar,

13. I would like to welcome you to our school. I know that being an
(A) exchange
(B) exchanges
(C) exchanged
(D) exchanging
student can be difficult, especially when you are so far away from your home.

14. As you may have heard, the Thanksgiving holiday is
(A) improving.
(B) happening.
(C) approaching.
(D) passing.
I am aware that it isn't celebrated in Germany, but it's a very important holiday in the United

15. States. It is an occasion
(A) where families gather in America
(B) that the American families gather
(C) what gathers American families
(D) when American families gather
to spend time with one another and enjoy a variety of food. If you have nothing planned for that day,

16. I would like to
(A) invite
(B) require
(C) let
(D) insist
you to visit my home for Thanksgiving. My entire family

17. is planning to be there, so you will
(A) getting us to hang out.
(B) hanging out with us.
(C) hang out by getting with us.
(D) get to hang out with us.
My mother

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18. is considered
(A) the better
(B) one of the best
(C) as good as
(D) the best
cooks in the city, so you will get a great

19.
(A) introduction
(B) recipe
(C) lesson
(D) feast
to traditional American home cooking. I hope you can come as I am

20. positive that you
(A) have
(B) are having
(C) will have
(D) have had
a wonderful time. Let me know if you are interested.

Sincerely,

Greg Foster

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Questions 21-26 refer to the following newspaper article.

These days, there are many students who do not attend physical schools but

21. instead stay home, (A) why it is homeschooling. (B) what is a homeschool. (C) who does homeschooling. (D) where they are homeschooled. While these students

22. (A) primarily (B) solely (C) relatively (D) cautiously study at their homes, they sometimes visit their local schools.

One reason for this concerns athletics. In many American states, homeschooled students are permitted to play on their local schools' athletic teams. This is good news for the schools

23. because a lot of homeschoolers are (A) exception (B) exceptions (C) exceptional (D) exceptionally athletes. The students who attend

actual schools are mostly accepting of the homeschoolers. They usually have no problems

24. with them and are often simply (A) upset (B) curious (C) worried (D) hostile about what it is like not to go to school.

So they tend to bombard the homeschoolers with numerous questions. The homeschoolers

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25. also (A) benefit (B) benefitted (C) benefitting (D) will have benefitted by mingling with the students at school. Some of them

26. rarely spend time (A) for individuals of their age. (B) of the individuals who have aged. (C) with other individuals their age. (D) by individuals that age. So it helps them develop their

social skills if they can hang out and [illegible]

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Questions 27-34 refer to the following part of a student's essay.

Thanks to the Hubble Space Telescope, our knowledge of the universe has

27. increased tremendously. The telescope was put into
(A) revolution
(B) orbit
(C) rotation
(D) atmosphere
by one

28. of the space shuttles in 1990. Since then, it
(A) transmit
(B) is transmitting
(C) transmitted
(D) has been transmitting
high-quality pictures to Earth. The Hubble is superior to Earth-based telescopes

29. for a couple of reasons. The first concerns
(A) both the size and quality
(B) either the size or the quality
(C) neither has size nor quality
(D) not only sizes but also qualities

30. of the mirror
(A) what is scanning the skies.
(B) they have to scan the skies.
(C) it uses to scan the skies.
(D) how it is used by scanning the skies.
. The second is that, as the Hubble is located in outer space, there is no interference from Earth's atmosphere.

This interference causes distortion in the images of ground-based telescopes, which

31. can cause them
(A) to produce blurry images.
(B) producing blurry images.
(C) produce images that are blurry.
(D) production of blurry images.
Unfortunately, the Hubble is aging, and a replacement is needed. I strongly believe that the government

32. should spend the necessary
(A) materials
(B) accounts
(C) ingredients
(D) funds
to manufacture a telescope that can be

33. launched into space
(A) sooner than possible.
(B) as soon as possible.
(C) the soonest possible.
(D) sooner than is possible.
By doing that,

34.
(A) continuing to learn, we can
(B) we can continue to learn
(C) we have continued learning
(D) we, continuing to learn, can
more about the solar system, galaxy, and universe itself.

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Questions 35-42 refer to the following magazine article.

35. The origins of the majority of sports are
(A) unique
(B) known
(C) entertaining
(D) hazy
because no one is quite sure when and how they were invented. However, the same cannot be said about

36. basketball. Its origins are both well known and
(A) documented.
(B) applied.
(C) certified.
(D) historical.

37.
(A) Basketball, a sport
(B) Basketball, the sport
(C) The sport of basketball
(D) Sports and basketball
was invented by Dr. James Naismith in December 1891.

Naismith was a physical education instructor at the YMCA in Springfield, Massachusetts.

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38. Since winters in that region of Massachusetts tended
(A) to be cold and snowy,
(B) coldness and snow,
(C) cold and snow,
(D) being cold and snowy,

Naismith wanted to create a sport that men could play indoors in a gymnasium. He came

39. up with the idea of basketball and made
(A) rules basically for ten games.
(B) the basic rules for ten games.
(C) ten games and their basic rules.
(D) ten basic rules for the game.

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40. Several of these rules are ones
(A) how they were used today.
(B) that are still utilized today.
(C) where people are using them today.
(D) what were utilized today.
The men used a soccer ball and peach baskets for hoops. The baskets had bottoms, so play was

41.
(A) skipped
(B) penalized
(C) expressed
(D) halted
each time a person made a basket. From those

42.
(A) humble
(B) humbles
(C) humbled
(D) humbling
origins came the game of basketball, which is one of the most popular games in the world today.

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