

Chose the correct plural forms:

knives  
matchs  
countries  
wishes  
wives  
mans  
tooths  
citys

potatoes  
tomatos  
potatos  
mice  
matches  
cities  
teeth  
mouses

countrys  
knifes  
wishes  
men  
familys  
wifes  
tomatoes  
families

Write the concluding sentence from these paragraphs and then check its purpose.

### An Easy Sandwich

An egg salad sandwich is one of the easiest and most delicious foods to make for lunch. First, **boil** two eggs for five minutes. Take them out of the water and let them cool off. Next, **peel** away the **shells** and put the eggs into a bowl. Use a fork to **mash** them very well. After that, add three tablespoons of mayonnaise. Add a little salt and pepper. Mix these **ingredients** well. Put the egg salad in the refrigerator for **at least** thirty minutes. Just before you are ready to eat, **spread** the egg salad on bread. If you follow all these steps, you will certainly enjoy your creation.

Topic: Egg Salad

**to boil:** to cook in water at 212°F (100°C)

**to peel:** to take away the outside covering

**a shell:** the outside covering of an egg

**to mash:** to push down and break into small pieces

**the ingredients:** the parts to make something

**at least:** the minimum number or amount of something that is required

**to spread:** to move something in many directions

What does the concluding statement do?

- ☐ restates the main idea    ☐ offers a suggestion    ☐ gives an opinion    ☐ makes a prediction

## My First Flight

Although the first time I flew on a plane was many years ago, I can still remember how afraid I was that day. All my life, I had **wondered** what it would be like to fly in an airplane. Finally, in March of 1990, I **boarded** my first flight. I flew from New Orleans, Louisiana, to Managua, Nicaragua, on SAHSA Airlines. It was a Boeing 727 jet. There were three seats on each side of the **aisle**. It was **sort of** crowded, and this only made me more nervous. Every time we hit a little **turbulence**, my hands **turned** white. I was so nervous during the **entire** flight that I did not eat the meal they gave me. I would not even go to the bathroom. I cannot tell you how **relieved** I was when the plane finally landed at our **destination**. Since then, I have been on **over** one hundred flights, but I can still remember many small **details** of my first airplane flight.

**to wonder:** to ask yourself about something, to imagine what something is like

**to board:** to get on a plane (or other form of transportation)

**an aisle:** the row between seats on a plane (or bus or train)

**sort of:** somewhat, rather

**the turbulence:** rough air during a flight, bumpiness

**to turn:** to change, become

**entire:** complete, whole

**to be relieved:** the feeling when a person no longer feels pressure about something

**your destination:** the final place that you are traveling to

**over:** more than

**a detail:** a fact about something

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Read the following paragraph and:

1. Underline the topic sentence and write TS above it.
2. Circle any sentence that is not a good supporting sentence based on the controlling idea in the topic sentence.
3. Write a concluding sentence on the lines provided.

### Four Ways to Cook an Egg

There are four easy ways to prepare a delicious egg. Some people believe that brown eggs taste better than white eggs. The first and probably the easiest way is to boil an egg. Just drop the egg into a pot of water and boil it for five minutes. Another easy way is to **scramble** an egg. All you need is a fork to beat the egg **mixture** before you put it into the hot frying pan. A third way is to fry an egg "over easy." This **involves** breaking the egg into the pan without breaking the **yolk**. After a few moments, turn the egg over to cook it on the other side. Finally, **poaching** an egg involves cooking the egg in a small dish that is sitting in boiling water. Break the egg into a small metal cup that is sitting in a pan of very hot, **shallow** water. Poaching an egg takes only four to five minutes.

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**to scramble:** to mix, blend

**a mixture:** the ingredients after they have been mixed together

**to involve:** to include or contain as a necessary part of something

**a yolk:** the yellow part of an egg

**to poach:** to cook in hot water or other liquid

**shallow:** not deep

#### 4 Complete the text with the correct articles.

### Bicycle chosen as best invention

<sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ humble bicycle has won <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ UK national survey of <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ people's favourite inventions.

Listeners to BBC Radio 4's *You and Yours* programme were invited to vote in <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ online poll looking at <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ most significant innovations since 1800.

It was <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ easy victory for <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ bicycle which won more than half of <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ vote.

<sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ radio came second with eight percent of the vote, and the electro-magnetic induction ring – the means to harness electricity – came third.

Despite the fact that you can find them everywhere, <sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ computers gained just six percent of the vote and <sup>11</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ internet trailed behind with only four percent of all votes cast. There were more than 4,500 votes cast in total.

People chose the bicycle for its simplicity of design, universal use and because it is <sup>12</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ ecologically sound means of transport.



Put in *there is*, *there are*, *it is* or *they are*.

- *There are* ..... two cinemas in our town; *they are* ..... both near my flat.
- 1 ..... one train on Sundays; ..... an express train.
- 2 ..... two national holidays this month, and ..... both on a Friday.
- 3 ..... several trees in our garden, but ..... not very tall.
- 4 ..... a big lake in the park; ..... very deep.



The sentences below describe the picture. Look at the picture and change the underlined words which are wrong. Tick (✓) the underlined words which are correct.

- ▶ There is a TV under on ..... the table.
- ▶ There is a dog on ✓ ..... the floor.
- ✓ 1 The dog is behind ..... the table.
- ✓ 2 The cat is next to ..... the flowers.
- ✓ 3 The keys are next to ..... the flowers.
- ✓ 4 The flowers are in ..... the vase.
- ✓ 5 There is a big book in front of ..... the flowers.
- ✓ 6 There is a picture under ..... the table.
- ✓ 7 The cat is above ..... the table.
- ✓ 8 There is a bird on ..... a cage.

