

Advanced Paragraph Correction 5

Directions: Read the passage below. Then answer questions about errors in the passage.

Students and townspeople 1) freshly flocked to hear returning 2) professor, Dr. Willis give a speech. Dr. Willis, a benevolent and 3) compacionate advocate for the poor, spoke Sunday to the congregation at the First Avenue Church. He was expected to be greeted by a full house at the Exeter Theater Monday evening. The 4) youthful 5) professor at age 92 exhorts his listeners to show empathy for citizens mired in poverty and joblessness. Haunted by personal memories of the Great Depression, he abjures opulence and 6) urges frugal behavior. He encourages 7) engaging in heavy food and drink, and attributes his own 8) decrepitude to diligent work and a prudent life style.

1)

- A. just now
- B. a moment ago
- C. recently
- D. newly
- E. Correct as is

5)

- A. professor, at age 92
- B. professor at age 92,
- C. professor: at age 92
- D. professor – at age 92 –
- E. professor, currently 92,
- F. Correct as is

2)

- A. professor, Dr. Willis,
- B. professor Dr. Willis
- C. professor Dr., Willis
- D. Correct as is

6)

- A. disdains parsimony.
- B. extols mendaciousness.
- C. urges prodigal behavior.
- D. eschews spendthrifts.

3)

- A. compassionate
- B. compactionate
- C. compasionate
- D. compacionate
- E. compashionate
- F. Correct as is

- E. Both B and C are correct.
- F. Correct as is

4)

- A. laudatory
- B. archaic
- C. supercilious
- D. bombastic
- E. venerable

7)

- A. abstinence from
- B. acceptance of
- C. the consumption of
- D. indulgence in
- E. Correct as is

8)

- A. senility
- B. passion
- C. magnificence
- D. longevity
- E. affability