

Language Form and Meaning Section

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. The idea that rocks last forever and that rocks

(A) still
(B) very
(C) quite
(D) never

change

is not completely true. If you have ever stood next to a rushing river, you

- 2.

(A) saw
(B) seen
(C) are seeing
(D) may have seen

the water hammering away at the rocks.

The correct answer to **Sample 1** is (D), “never.” The correct answer to **Sample 2** is (D), “may have seen.”

Questions 1-5 refer to the following note.

Lisa:

1.

(A) So
(B) While
(C) Because
(D) Although

 you were at basketball practice today, your teacher,

2. Mr. Morris, called on the phone to talk with you. He

(A) take
(B) to take
(C) is taking
(D) was taken

 one of

- his other classes on a field trip to the aquarium this Saturday. A student in that

3. class is sick and

(A) will be able not
(B) not will be able
(C) be able will not
(D) will not be able

 to go. Mr. Morris wants to know

4. whether you'd like to take

(A) that student's place
(B) that student's place is
(C) of that student's place
(D) that student's place, which

 on the trip. He

5. said that he is you the chance first because of the great report
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| (A) asking |
| (B) offering |
| (C) deciding |
| (D) discussing |

you wrote about whales. You'll need to let him know tomorrow.

Love,

Mom.

Questions 6-9 refer to the following announcement.

6. A man's wristwatch

(A) finds
(B) finding
(C) has found
(D) was found

 in the lobby of Luigi's Pizza
7. Restaurant on Tuesday, February 16. A restaurant worker

(A) seemed
(B) intended
(C) discovered
(D) influenced
8. the watch after the restaurant had closed that evening. Anyone

(A) a guest was
(B) a guest being
(C) he was a guest
(D) who was a guest
- at the restaurant that day and is missing a watch should call Luigi's at 555-1953.
9. Callers will be asked

(A) a detailed description is given
(B) to give a detailed description
(C) giving a detailed description
(D) a detailed description gave

 of the watch.

Questions 10-13 refer to the following announcement.

10.

- (A) Because a student
- (B) Being a student
- (C) It was a student
- (D) A student

from Barksdale High School won this year's

regional mathematics competition. Ellen Murphy was among ten finalists in

11.

the last round of the competition. The final question was a very

- (A) wide
- (B) difficult
- (C) physical
- (D) powerful

algebra problem. The first student to answer the question correctly was

12.

named

- (A) the winner.
- (B) is the winner.
- (C) being the winner.
- (D) will be the winner.

One student finished the problem

13.

- (A) as fast
- (B) fastest
- (C) to be fast
- (D) faster than

Ms. Murphy, but his answer was incorrect. Ms. Murphy

solved the problem correctly and took the grand prize.

Questions 14-17 refer to the following part of a short story.

When Dan knocked on the door of the old gray house, he was a little

14.

(A) total.
(B) funny.
(C) foreign.
(D) nervous.

 His friends at school had said that the woman who lived in

15. the house was unfriendly, but Dan was sure that

(A) finding the cat
(B) the cat he had found
(C) he had found the cat
(D) the cat had been found

in his yard was hers. He wanted to take it to her.

“Hello,” a woman’s voice responded to his knock. “Who is it?”

16. “Hi. I’m your neighbor from down the street,” Dan said

(A) as
(B) that
(C) which
(D) during

she opened the door a few centimeters. “Is this cat yours?”

“Oh, my goodness,” the woman said with a big smile. She pulled the door

open wide. “Yes, this is Daisy, and I’ve been worried about her! Thank you so

17. much for

(A) bring
(B) brings
(C) brought
(D) bringing

 her back!”

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Questions 18-25 refer to the following notice.

18.

(A) Begins
(B) Beginning
(C) Is beginning
(D) To have begun

 next Tuesday, the science building will be under

19. construction. Workers will

(A) making
(B) be made
(C) be making
(D) been making

 repairs to the outside

of the building for approximately four weeks. While this work is

20. being

(A) done,
(B) made,
(C) taken,
(D) entered,

 most classes will continue as usual inside the

21. building. However, if any classes need to be moved

(A) greatly
(B) temporarily
(C) successfully
(D) thoughtfully

22. to other rooms, teachers will inform their students.

(A) At
(B) On
(C) Over
(D) During

 the

construction, the front entrance to the science building will be closed.