

Sentence Structure and Formation

Instructions

Read each question carefully and choose the best answer. Choose the correct answer.

Question 1

Which sentence contains a subordinate clause?

- (A) The music played loudly.
- (B) We danced until the music stopped.
- (C) The music, which was loud, filled the room.
- (D) We danced, the music was loud.

Answer: (B) We danced until the music stopped.

Question 2

Which of these is a complex sentence?

- (A) I like pizza and burgers.
- (B) She will go if you ask her.
- (C) She asked for pizza, and he asked for burgers.
- (D) Pizza is delicious.

Answer: (B) She will go if you ask her.

Question 3

Which is a compound sentence?

- (A) Since it was raining, we went inside.
- (B) We went inside, and we made hot cocoa.

- (C) Going inside, we made hot cocoa.
(D) We made hot cocoa because it was raining.

Answer: (B) We went inside, and we made hot cocoa.

Question 4

Choose the sentence that avoids a run-on.

- (A) He wants to sing he can't carry a tune.
(B) He wants to sing, but he can't carry a tune.
(C) He wants to sing he can't carry a tune
(D) He wants to sing but can't carry a tune

Answer: (B) He wants to sing, but he can't carry a tune.

Question 5

Which has parallel structure?

- (A) She likes reading, to swim, and to jog.
(B) She likes to read, to swim, and to jog.
(C) She likes reading, swimming, and to jog.
(D) She likes to read, swimming, and to jog.

Answer: (B) She likes to read, to swim, and to jog.

Question 6

Which is a simple sentence?

- (A) The cats slept under the table.
(B) The cats slept, and the dog played.
(C) While the cats slept, the dog played.
(D) The cats slept under the table because they were tired.

Answer: (A) The cats slept under the table.

Question 7

Choose the compound-complex sentence.

- (A) The show started, and the audience cheered.
- (B) When the lights dimmed, the show started, and the audience cheered.
- (C) The show started when the lights dimmed.
- (D) The audience cheered after the show started.

Answer: (B) When the lights dimmed, the show started, and the audience cheered.

Question 8

Which sentence shows correct subordination?

- (A) She sang loudly because it rained.
- (B) She sang loudly, it rained.
- (C) Because she sang loudly it rained.
- (D) Singing loudly raining outside.

Answer: (A) She sang loudly because it rained.

Question 9

Which sentence is a fragment?

- (A) After the storm ended.
- (B) The rain stopped.
- (C) The sun appeared.
- (D) Birds were singing.

Answer: (A) After the storm ended.

Question 10

Which is a complex sentence?

- (A) He liked the music, and she liked the lyrics.
- (B) While he liked the music, she liked the lyrics.
- (C) He liked the music and the lyrics.
- (D) The music was loud.

Answer: (B) While he liked the music, she liked the lyrics.