

1. Which of the following is correct?

- A. My pin number has two 5's. It's easy to remember.
- B. My pin number has two 5s. It's easy to remember.

2. The \_\_\_\_\_ was a period of great achievements. It followed the \_\_\_\_\_ and lasted from the 14th \_\_\_\_\_ until 1600.

- A. Renaissance, Middle Ages, Century
- B. Renaissance, Middle Ages, century
- C. Renaissance, middle ages, century
- D. renaissance, middle ages, century

3. Which of the following is correct?

- A. The weather this winter has been: windy, wet, and unpredictable.
- B. The weather this winter has been windy, wet, and unpredictable.

4. Which of the following is correct?

- A. Waiting for the storm to stop I was anxiously looking out the window.
- B. Waiting for the storm to stop, I was anxiously looking out the window.

5. Which of the following is correct?

- A. The table was set -- knives, forks, candlesticks -- all were set up correctly.
- B. The table was set-knives, forks, candlesticks all were set up correctly.

6. Which of the following is correct?

- A. A friend of mine works as a translator for **U.N.**.
- B. A friend of mine works as a translator for **U.N.**.
- C. A friend of mine works as a translator for **UN**.

7. Semicolons and colons should always be placed outside the closing quotation marks.

- A. True
- B. False

8. Which of the following is correct?

- A. Harvey is a good driver, moreover, he is a very friendly one.
- B. Harvey is a good driver. Moreover he is a very friendly one.
- C. Harvey is a good driver; moreover, he is a very friendly one.

9. Is this sentence correct?

Quantum mechanics is a branch of physics, it was initially developed to explain atoms.

- A. This sentence has a comma splice.
- B. This is a sentence fragment.
- C. This is a run-on sentence.



10. Is this sentence correct?

Mary came home from work early she had been feeling ill all morning.

- A. This sentence has a comma splice.
- B. This is a run-on sentence.
- C. This is a sentence fragment.

11. Is this sentence correct?

Since you drew the short straw. You must walk to the gas station while we stay here.

- A. This sentence has a comma splice.
- B. This is a sentence fragment.
- C. This is a run-on sentence.

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TAKE 2 MIN BREAK

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1. The Rolex Daytona, the most luxurious watch ever released, sells for a staggering half a million dollars.
  - A) NO CHANGE
  - B) released
  - C) released:
  - D) released—
2. My brother is a decent tennis player, he serves well: but his forehand could be hit with a bit more accuracy.
  - A) NO CHANGE
  - B) player—he serves well—
  - C) player, he serves well—
  - D) player, he serves well;
3. I practice scales on the piano everyday—not because I want to, but because I have to.
  - A) NO CHANGE
  - B) everyday; not because I want to
  - C) everyday not because I want to;
  - D) everyday, not because I want to;



4. The rapid pace of technological development however has enabled more people to survive on less.  
A) NO CHANGE  
B) development; however,  
C) development however,  
D) development, however,
5. Drinking coffee, scientists have discovered may help prevent heart disease.  
A) NO CHANGE  
B) have discovered,  
C) have discovered. It  
D) have discovered; it
6. I've decked out my laptop with a keyboard cover, pokemon stickers and a transparent case.  
A) NO CHANGE  
B) stickers—  
C) stickers;  
D) stickers,
7. New York University professor and researcher, Joshua Grossman, claims that his research is definitive and trustworthy.  
A) NO CHANGE  
B) researcher Joshua Grossman  
C) researcher Joshua Grossman,  
D) researcher, Joshua Grossman
8. Of all the things the President could have done to improve the economy, he chose to shift his attention to the one thing that was considered irrelevant; and it was health care.  
A) NO CHANGE  
B) irrelevant: being  
C) irrelevant:  
D) irrelevant to
9. While most students at MIT use their intellect to better the world, for example, creating vaccines for deadly viruses, some are using their exceptional math skills to beat the card games in Vegas.  
A) NO CHANGE  
B) world; for example, creating vaccines for deadly viruses,  
C) world, for example, creating vaccines for deadly viruses  
D) world—for example, creating vaccines for deadly viruses—
10. Known for its noodle dishes, the restaurant down the street always has customers, most of whom are Asian.  
A) NO CHANGE  
B) customers, and  
C) customers;  
D) customers; and