

Questions 34-44 are based on the following passage.

### Investigative Journalism: An Evolving American Tradition

[1] The recent precipitous decline of print journalism as a viable profession has exacerbated long-held concerns about the state of investigative reporting in the United States. [2] Facing lower print circulation and diminished advertising revenue, many major newspapers have reduced or eliminated investigative resources. [3] Newspapers, the traditional nurturing ground for investigative journalism, have been hit especially hard by the widespread availability of free news online. [4] To survive, investigative journalism must continue to adapt to the digital age. **34**

It is not difficult to understand why a cash-strapped, understaffed publication might feel pressure to cut teams of investigative **35** reporter's—their work is expensive and time-consuming. **36** Taking on the public interest, investigative journalism involves original, often long-form reporting on such topics as **37** illegal activities, street crime, corporate wrongdoing, and political corruption. An investigative story involves one or more experienced journalists dedicating their full energy and the resources of the publisher to a piece for a prolonged period of time. Expensive legal battles may ensue. The results of this work, though costly, have

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For the sake of the logic and cohesion of the paragraph, sentence 3 should be

- A) placed where it is now.
- B) placed before sentence 1.
- C) placed after sentence 1.
- D) DELETED from the paragraph.

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) reporters:
- C) reporters,
- D) reporter's;

**36**

- A) NO CHANGE
- B) Undertaken in
- C) Overtaking
- D) Taking off from

**37**

- A) NO CHANGE
- B) business scandals,
- C) abuse of government power,
- D) DELETE the underlined portion.

helped keep those in power accountable. The exposure by *Washington Post* reporters Bob Woodward and Carl Bernstein of government misconduct in the Watergate scandal resulted in the resignation of President Richard Nixon in 1974. More recently, Seymour Hersh, reporting for the *New Yorker* in 2004, helped publicize the mistreatment of Iraqi prisoners by US personnel at Abu Ghraib during the Iraq War. **38** In these and other cases, exposure from reporters has served as an important **39** blockade to or scolding of malfeasance.

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At this point, the writer is considering adding the following sentence.

In 1954, Edward R. Murrow and Fred Friendly produced episodes of the CBS television show *See It Now* that contributed to the end of US senator Joseph McCarthy’s anticommunist “witch hunts.”

Should the writer make this addition here?

- A) Yes, because it helps clarify that the passage’s main focus is on investigations of political corruption.
- B) Yes, because it offers an important counterpoint to the other cases previously described in the paragraph.
- C) No, because it gives an example that is both chronologically and substantively out of place in the paragraph.
- D) No, because it provides an example that is inconsistent with the passage’s definition of investigative journalism.

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) interference to or condemnation of
- C) drag on or reproof of
- D) deterrent or rebuke to

While worrisome, the decline of traditional print media **40** could not entail the end of investigative journalism. **41** Although many newsrooms have reduced their staff, some still employ investigative reporters. Nonprofit **42** enterprises such as the Organized Crime and Corruption Reporting Project have begun to fill the void created by staff losses at newspapers and magazines. Enterprising freelance reporters, newly funded by nonprofits, make extensive use of social media,

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Which choice most effectively suggests that the “end of investigative journalism” is a real possibility but one that can be prevented?

- A) NO CHANGE
- B) need
- C) will
- D) must

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Which choice most effectively sets up the examples in the following sentences?

- A) NO CHANGE
- B) Investigative journalism also declined between the 1930s and 1950s, only to be revived in the 1960s.
- C) According to the Pew Research Center, more people get their national and international news from the Internet than from newspapers.
- D) Indeed, recent years have witnessed innovative adjustments to changing times.

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) enterprises: such as
- C) enterprises such as:
- D) enterprises, such as

including blogs and Twitter, to foster a public conversation about key issues. The Help Me Investigate project, **43** for example, solicited readers to submit tips and information related to ongoing stories to its website. Far from marking the end of investigative journalism, **44** cooperation among journalists and ordinary citizens has been facilitated by the advent of the digital age through an increase in the number of potential investigators.

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) therefore,
- C) however,
- D) in any case,

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- A) NO CHANGE
- B) the number of potential investigators has increased since the advent of the digital age owing to the facilitation of cooperation among journalists and ordinary citizens.
- C) the advent of the digital age has increased the number of potential investigators by facilitating cooperation among journalists and ordinary citizens.
- D) by facilitating cooperation among journalists and ordinary citizens the advent of the digital age has increased the number of potential investigators.

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**If you finish before time is called, you may check your work on this section only.  
Do not turn to any other section.**