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— Within the state of Arizona, Rob, along with his family, **moves** frequently, from city to city. After his arrival, one of his first tasks **is** to find an apartment close to work as he **does** not have a car. Usually, there **are** many different places to choose from, and he **considers** cost, location, and luxury. If one apartment has a washing machine and dryer and **costs** four hundred dollars a month, he **prefers** to rent it over another apartment which **has** significantly less rent located two blocks from a Laundromat. Rob's family never wants to live in an apartment on the thirteenth floor since all of them **fear** heights. He also **tries** to choose an apartment with landlords recommended by former tenants. Everybody **knows** that it is important to find a responsible landlord. Rob and his wife **love** to cook together when both **are** free, so he **needs** a spacious, well-equipped kitchen. Rob often also **looks** for a place with an air conditioner because there **are** so many scorching days and nights in Arizona. Whenever Rob **finds** a new apartment, all of his **concerns** disappear. He **feels** relieved and **calls** his mother. Someone understands!

The second reason why mobile phones **are** the most beneficial invention in the last 100 years **is** that they can **make** life easier and more convenient. Mobile phones **have** many useful tools and features such as a camera, web search function, a clock, a calculator, a music player, and so on. For instance, many **use** their mobile phones to conduct their business. In Japan, a majority of people **earn** their salary by writing their blogs. Since one's blog **has** a large influence on its viewers' opinions and shopping habits, sponsors **want** to put their advertisements on blogs. Some bloggers **try** to get many advertisements from sponsors in order to earn advertising expenses. In this kind of business, working from mobile phones **plays** a very important role as most bloggers **use** them to take pictures and write sentences and post those on their blogs. Mobile phones **provide** people with a new opportunity to earn money.

Avoiding Shifts -

1. Anyone is eligible for the scholarship if they write an essay. (shift in number)

Correct answer: Anyone is eligible for the scholarship if **he or she writes** an essay.

2. The judge said that I was guilty and would I please follow the bailiff to jail. (shift in discourse)

Correct answer: The judge said that I was guilty and **that I should follow the bailiff to jail**.

3. Last Saturday Margaret read all the novels in her home and eats two bags of candy. (shift in tense)

Correct answer: Last Saturday Margaret read all the novels in her home and **ate** two bags of candy.

4. Students need to study hard, and then you can convince your teachers to give you good grades (shift in person)

Correct answer: Students need to study hard, and then **they** can convince **their** teachers to give **them** good grades.

5. The contractor changed the schedule after concrete was poured into the wrong area by the crew. (shift in voice)

Correct answer: The contractor changed the daily schedule after **the crew poured** concrete into the wrong area.

6. Sally asked if the milk had been replenished and could she have a glass. (shift in discourse)

Correct answer: Sally asked if the milk had been replenished and **if she could have a glass**.

7. You can only handle so many jobs before a person goes insane. (shift in person)

Correct answer: You can only handle so many jobs before **you go** insane.

8. I am not sure if a student has to pass algebra before I take geometry. (shift in person)

Correct answer: I am not sure if **I have** to pass algebra before I take

9. Ben ran down the hall when the alarm was heard. (shift in voice)

Correct answer: Ben ran down the hall when **he heard the alarm**.

10. The reason Julie coughed is because she contracted bronchitis from her students. (shift in construction)

Correct answer: ***Julie coughed because*** she contracted bronchitis from her students.