

Parallel Structure Exercises SAT

Choose the correct answer from the following options

1. A few amusement parks, such as Great America, have invested in rest spots that provide artificial shade, have drinking fountains, and nicely reminding visitors to apply sunscreen.
 - a. NO CHANGE
 - b. nicely remind
 - c. nicely to remind
 - d. nicely reminding of
2. In order to qualify for the job, applicants must be proficient in research, collecting data, graphs, and analyzing the results.
 - a. NO CHANGE
 - b. applicants graphing,
 - c. to graph,
 - d. graphing,
3. The bathroom was tight and cluttered, with an oversized shower taking up a whole wall, a barely functioning toilet and messy sink along another wall, and a small basket of towels on the floor by the third wall.
 - a. NO CHANGE
 - b. a small basket of towels was on the floor by the third wall.
 - c. by the third wall on the floor was a small basket of towels.
 - d. the third wall had a small basket of towels.
4. Studies have shown that dogs are quieter, calmer, and better behaved when they have a lifestyle in which they receive sufficient exercise for their breed.
 - a. NO CHANGE
 - b. calmer, being better
 - c. calm, and better
 - d. calmer, and they are
5. For weeks, Steve has been working on his project, creating graphs, charts, and other visual aids that could help viewers understand his results, not to mention added some color to an otherwise boring poster board.
 - a. NO CHANGE
 - b. adding
 - c. add
 - d. to add

6. The ticket price for children under twelve is significantly lower than those for adults--six dollars versus the twenty charged for adults.
- NO CHANGE
 - that compared with
 - that for
 - DELETE the underlined portion
7. The newly implemented test has a positive effect on the company by regulating the quality of the products, to create a standard, and bringing in more customers.
- NO CHANGE
 - creating a standard,
 - for a standard creation,
 - the creation of a standard,
8. Old tests, old homeworks too, and readings were being reused by the professor year after year.
- NO CHANGE
 - also old homeworks,
 - in addition to homeworks,
 - homeworks,
9. Better for the environment than gas cars, electric cars minimize carbon dioxide pollution, they decrease spending on gas, and help reduce the the carbon footprint of the automobile owner.
- NO CHANGE
 - spending decrease
 - decrease spending
 - also they decrease spending
10. It is often considered bad luck to give newlywed couples presents of knives (considered as a symbol for severing the relationship) or handkerchiefs (a small, square piece of cloth).
- NO CHANGE
 - (from ancient superstitions)
 - (considered as a symbol for wiping away tears)
 - (used for wiping away tears)
11. The naming of a dog, fish, or other types of household pets can cause an instant connection between owner and animal, and make the relationship feel more personal.
- NO CHANGE
 - type of household pet
 - type of household pets
 - household pet types

12. Hundreds of harmless, microscopic new insects living underwater were discovered during this period in history, some in oceans but many more in smaller streams, under riverbed rocks, or buried between lake floor vegetation.
- a. NO CHANGE
 - b. between
 - c. they were buried between
 - d. DELETE the underlined portion
13. Some believe bananas to be the best fruit: it is an excellent source of potassium, serves as an instant energy booster, and it comes in an easy-to-peel protective skin.
- a. NO CHANGE
 - b. coming
 - c. comes
 - d. will come