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## Question: 1

Whose viewpoints would potentially be confirmed by a future study looking at the spreading out and regrowth of seedlings for many years after a wildfire in managed and unmanaged forests?

- A. only the manager
- B. only the professor
- C. both the manager and professor
- D. neither the manager nor professor

**Answer: C**

Explanation:

Both the manager and the professor discuss the importance of seedling growth after a fire. So, a study looking at the growth of seedlings in logged and unmanaged forests would potentially provide support for both arguments (as well as possibly showing problems with both arguments).

## Question: 2

What is the main idea of Section 1?

- A. Preparing a menu requires thorough research.
- B. Some foods are healthier than others.
- C. Positive diet changes can be simple.
- D. Some people can make dietary changes and some cannot.

**Answer: C**

Explanation:

The first section covers how people want to change and the options that are available to them. As people move towards a healthier lifestyle, they can work at small steps on their way to better health. Choice A is incorrect because the first section does not mention menus. Choice B is incorrect because the paragraph lists benefits of certain foods but does not suggest any are better than others. Choice D is incorrect because the passage mentions that the process is a struggle for many, not an impossible task.

## Question: 3

What is the purpose of including Section 2 in this passage?

- A. To explain how the Food Pyramid was poorly designed
- B. To cover the government's influence on the dietary recommendations for Americans
- C. To show that there is no perfect system for coming up with dietary recommendations
- D. To share information on generally accepted nutrition guidelines

**Answer: D**

Explanation:

The overall passage is information for someone who is interested in the food industry. So, choice A is not correct. The reason that there is not much of a comparison or contrast between the Food Pyramid and My Plate. Choice B is incorrect because the focus of the passage is not on government involvement. Choice C is incorrect because the text says some groups disagree with certain dietary recommendations but does not list them.

## Question: 4

What is the purpose of including Harvard's Healthy Eating Plate in Section 2?

- A. To support the assertion My Plate has received criticism
- B. To suggest Healthy Eating Plate may replace current USDA dietary guidelines
- C. It shows another option as a dietary guideline
- D. To highlight the influence of an Ivy League school

**Answer: A**

Explanation:

Choice E is wrong because there is no mention of Harvard's guidelines replacing MyPlate. Choice C is also incorrect. It another approach to dietary guidelines, but it was included to support a claim not provide diet options. Choice D is wrong because Harvard is included for their maternal, not their Ivy League status.

**Question: 5**

According to the text, when preparing food for customers, all of the following are important EXCEPT which?

- A. Foodborne illness
- B. Calories in a meal
- C. Layering the flavors in a dish
- D. Preparation time

**Answer: C**

Explanation:

This passage was written for people who have an interest in the food industry. So, choice A is wrong because the passage is not meant for those who are new to setting, Choice B is wrong because experienced professionals don't need introductory-level material on prepping food. Choice D is incorrect because there is no mention of parents or children in the passage.

**Question: 6**

What is the tone of the three sections?

- A. Condemning
- B. Informative
- C. Serious
- D. Pretentious

**Answer: B**

Explanation:

Each section of the passage has the tone of educating readers. So, choice A is wrong the tone is not blaring readers. Choice C is close, but it is not the best answer choice. Choice D is wrong because the tone of the material is not snobbish or cocky.

**Question: 7**

Sentence (1): "Anyone who live in a climate which brings snow during the winter knows how important it is to have a working vehicle. "

What correction should be made to sentence (1)?

- A. make Live singular
- B. place commas around which brings snow
- C. set during the winter off in dashes
- D. change which to that

**Answer: A**

Explanation:

The problem in this sentence is subject-verb agreement. Remember that the indefinite pronouns are always singular. Choice B is incorrect because the clause is essential to the sentence. So, commas are not needed. Choice C is wrong because the phrase does not need punctuation. Choice D is incorrect because there is no need to change which to that.

### Question: 8

Sentence (4): "Few things are worst than being unable to see in snow or sleet. "  
What correction should be made to this sentence?

- A. change are to is
- B. change Few to fewer
- C. change worst to worse
- D. no correction is necessary

**Answer: C**

Explanation:

The question tests you on the correct word for comparative and superlative adjectives. The correct adjective is the comparative form of the adjective bad which is worse not the superlative form worst. Choice A creates a problem with subject-verb agreement. So, it is incorrect. Choice B is wrong as well. The reason it creates an adjective comparison problem. and this is the problem you want to correct. Choice D is incorrect because there is a problem that needs to be corrected.

### Question: 9

Sentence (5): "Most wiper blades do not last no longer than a year."  
Which of the following is the best way to write the underlined portion of the sentence? If you think the original is the best way to write the sentence, choose answer A.

- A. do not last no longer
- B. do not last longer
- C. do not lasted no longer
- D. have not last no longer

**Answer: B**

Explanation:

The sentence is written as a double negative. Choice B is the only choice that corrects the problem. So, choice A is incorrect because the sentence needs to be changed. Choice C is incorrect because it does not solve the problem of the double negative and makes another problem with verb tense. Also, choice D does not solve the problem of the double negative. So, it can be eliminated.

### Question: 10

Sentence (6): "Be sure that while you are at it the windshield washer reservoir has fluid."  
What correction should be made to this sentence?

- A. move while you are at it to the front of the sentence and place a comma after it
- B. move Be sure to the end of the sentence
- C. place a question mark at the end of the sentence
- D. no correction is necessary

**Answer: A**

Explanation:

The sentence has a clarity problem. The dependent clause should come at the beginning of the sentence rather than interrupting the independent clause. Choice B does not make a correction to the sentence. Choice C makes the sentence into a question which is not necessary. Choice D is incorrect because the sentence needs to be reworded to have clarity.

### Question: 11

A taxi service charges \$5.50 for the first  $\frac{1}{5}$  of a mile, \$1.50 for each additional  $\frac{1}{5}$  of a mile, and 20¢ per minute of waiting time. Joan took a cab from her place to a flower shop 8 miles away, where she bought a bouquet, then another 3.6 miles to her mother's place. The driver had to wait 9 minutes while she bought the bouquet. What was the fare?

- a. \$20
- b. \$91
- c. \$92.80
- d. \$120.20

**Answer: C**

Explanation:

The total distance traveled was 8 miles + 3.6 miles = 11.6 miles. The first  $\frac{1}{5}$  of a mile is charged at the higher rate. Since  $\frac{1}{5} = 0.2$ , the remainder of the trip is 11.4 miles. Thus, the fare for the distance traveled is computed as  $\$5.50 + 5 \times 11.4 \times \$1.50 = \$91$ . The charge for waiting time is added next, which is simply  $9 \times 20¢ = 180¢ = \$1.80$ . Finally, add the two charges,  $\$91 + \$1.80 = \$92.80$ .

### Question: 12

A satellite in a circular orbit rotates around Earth every 120 minutes. If Earth's radius is 4,000 miles at sea level, and the satellite's orbit is 400 miles above sea level, approximately what distance does the satellite travel in 40 minutes? Use 3.14 for  $\pi$ .

- a. 4,121 miles
- b. 4,400 miles
- c. 8,000 miles
- d. 9,211 miles

**Answer: D**

Explanation:

The radius,  $R$ , of the satellite's orbit is the sum of Earth's radius plus the satellite's orbital altitude, or  $R = 4,400$  mi. The circumference of the circular orbit is therefore  $C = 2\pi r = 2\pi(4,400) = 8,800\pi$  mi. Since 40 minutes is one-third of the satellite's 120-minute orbital time, it traverses one-third of this distance in that time.

$$D = \frac{1}{3} \times 8,800(3.14) \approx 9,210.67$$

Therefore, the distance the satellite travels is approximately 9,211 miles.

### Question: 13

A rectangular lot is three yards wide and four yards long. What is the area of the lot in square feet?

- a.  $4 \text{ ft}^2$
- b.  $12 \text{ ft}^2$
- c.  $36 \text{ ft}^2$
- d.  $108 \text{ ft}^2$

**Answer: D**

Explanation:

There are three feet in a yard. In feet, the lot is  $3 \times 3 = 9$  feet wide, and  $4 \times 3 = 12$  feet long. So, its area is  $9 \text{ ft} \times 12 \text{ ft} = 108 \text{ ft}^2$ .

As an alternate way of solving the problem, first find the lot's area in square yards:  $3 \text{ yd} \times 4 \text{ yd} = 12 \text{ yd}^2$ . Then, convert square yards to square feet: since there are 3 feet in a yard, there are  $3^2 = 9$  square feet in a square yard. So, the lot's area in square feet is  $12 \times 9 = 108$  square feet.

### Question: 14

If  $x$  and  $y$  are positive integers, which of the following expressions is equivalent to  $(xy)^{7y} - (xy)^y$ ?

- a.  $(xy)^{6y}$
- b.  $(xy)^{7y-1}$
- c.  $(xy)^y[(xy)^7 - 1]$
- d.  $(xy)^y[(xy)^{6y} - 1]$

**Answer: D**

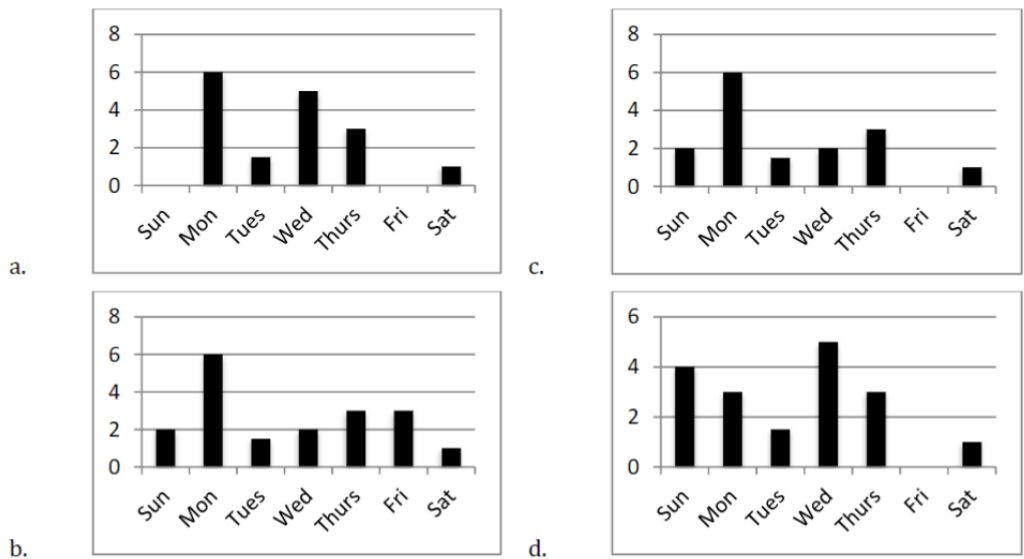
Explanation:

Remember that when you multiply like bases, you add the exponents, and when you divide like bases, you subtract the exponents.

$$(xy)^{7y} - (xy)^y = (xy)^y[(xy)^{7y-y} - 1] = (xy)^y[(xy)^{6y} - 1]$$

**Question: 15**

It rained every day last week except Friday. If it rained twice as much on Monday as it did on Thursday, which of the following graphs could model the week's rainfall in inches?



**Answer: C**

Explanation:

We are looking for a graph with two key pieces of information: rainfall every day except Friday, and an amount of rain on Monday double the rain on Thursday. Answer choice A is incorrect because it shows no rain on Sunday. Answer choice B is incorrect because it shows rain on Friday. Answer choice D is incorrect because the amount of rain on Monday is equal to the amount of rain on Thursday. Only answer choice C is correct because it shows no rain on Friday, 6 inches on Monday, and 3 inches on Thursday.

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