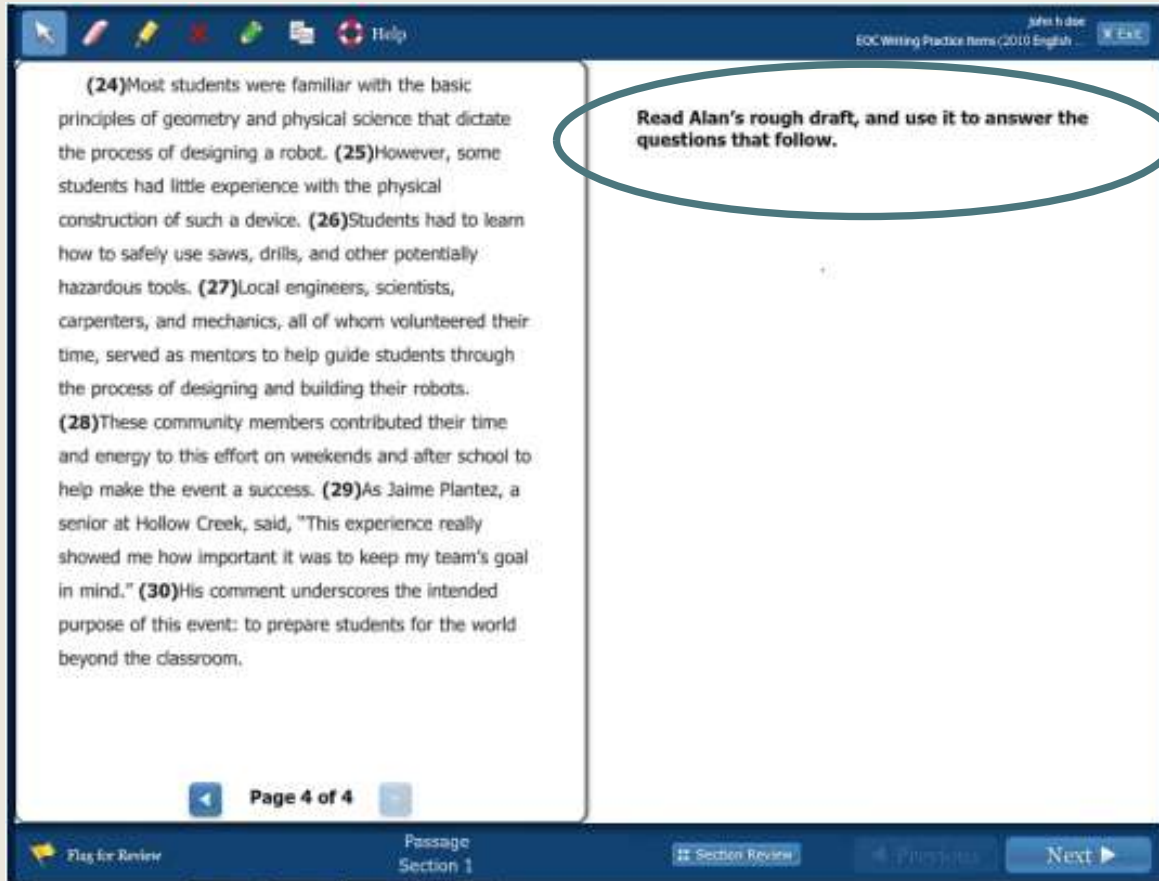




Overview

MC Writing SOL

Two Types of Questions



(24) Most students were familiar with the basic principles of geometry and physical science that dictate the process of designing a robot. (25) However, some students had little experience with the physical construction of such a device. (26) Students had to learn how to safely use saws, drills, and other potentially hazardous tools. (27) Local engineers, scientists, carpenters, and mechanics, all of whom volunteered their time, served as mentors to help guide students through the process of designing and building their robots. (28) These community members contributed their time and energy to this effort on weekends and after school to help make the event a success. (29) As Jaime Plantez, a senior at Hollow Creek, said, "This experience really showed me how important it was to keep my team's goal in mind." (30) His comment underscores the intended purpose of this event: to prepare students for the world beyond the classroom.

Read Alan's rough draft, and use it to answer the questions that follow.

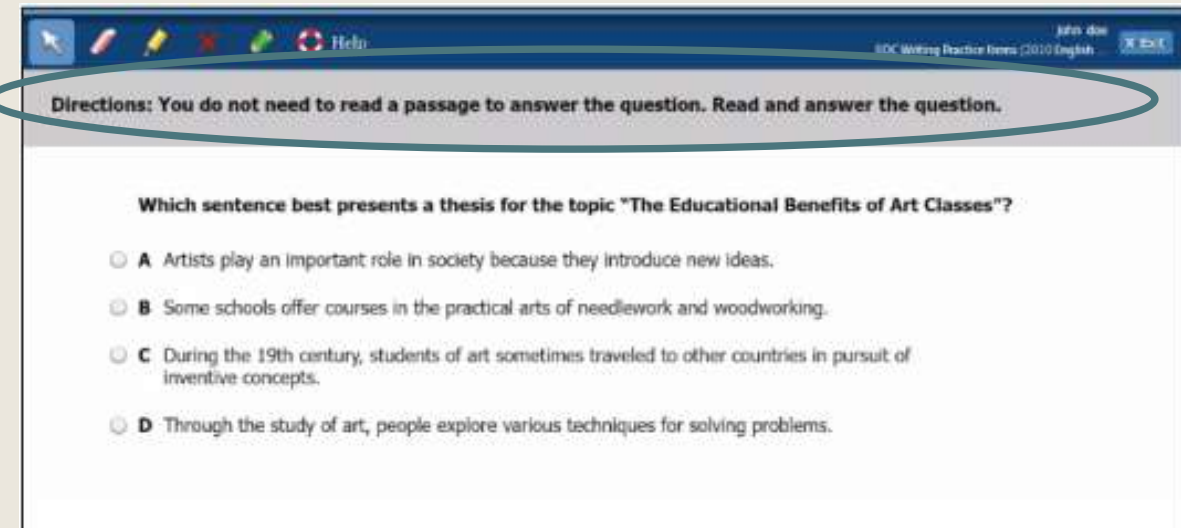
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Stand Alone Questions



Directions: You do not need to read a passage to answer the question. Read and answer the question.

Which sentence best presents a thesis for the topic "The Educational Benefits of Art Classes"?

- A Artists play an important role in society because they introduce new ideas.
- B Some schools offer courses in the practical arts of needlework and woodworking.
- C During the 19th century, students of art sometimes traveled to other countries in pursuit of inventive concepts.
- D Through the study of art, people explore various techniques for solving problems.

Not Your Average Multiple Choice

In traditional multiple choice you are asked to select the best answer.

Read sentence 5.

Designing a robot that can function in reality and performing tasks is a challenging assignment for these students, who worked hard to prepare for the fiercely competitive event.

Which correction should be made to this sentence?

- A Insert a comma after reality.
- B Change performing to perform.
- C Delete the comma after students.
- D Change fiercely to fierce.

Directions: Click and drag the punctuation marks into the correct locations within the sentence.

Correctly punctuate sentence 9.

The following five teams, each consisting of five members, were represented Lakeview MacArthur Greenwood

Directions: Click and drag the correct answers to the boxes.

Which corrections should be made to sentence 5?

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Directions: Click on the two correct answers.

Joe wants to find information about how sites are designated as National Historic Landmarks. Which questions are directly related to this topic?

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Directions: You do not need to read a passage to answer the question. Read and answer the question. Click on the notes that should be removed. Each selected note will be marked with a strikethrough line.

Before writing her article about how teenagers can save money, Tanisha makes these notes. Which notes do NOT belong?

- Don't forget to save up your money and set it aside before spending anything else.
- Find a job or be challenging to be the best newspaper or website.

Don't rush through.
Read the directions carefully.

Question #1

In this sentence, how is every hike; jacket correctly written?

The brochure recommends bringing the following items on every hike; a jacket, water, extra socks, a map, and a signaling device.

- A. every hike. A jacket
- B. every hike, a jacket
- ✓ C. every hike: a jacket
- D. as it is

The Colon (:)

Use a colon after a complete sentence to introduce a list. What appears to the left of the colon must be a complete sentence. What appears to the right of the colon is simply a list of items.

You may be required to bring many items: sleeping bags, pans, and warm clothing.

Question #2

Which sentence is complete?

Wondered about those massive statues surrounding the mountain.

With several hours to spare before dinner time.

 Today's topic of discussion deserves further attention.

Still waiting on the others to return from their adventures.

Sheltering tourists from the sun, which seemed to grow larger.

Question #3

Read sentence 3.

They made this beverage from the sassafras's trees roots, which have a strong, sweet smell.

How is sassafras's trees roots correctly written?

- A. sassafras tree's roots
- B. sassafras's tree's roots
- C. sassafras trees roots
- D. as it is

Question #4

Read sentence 5.

**Of course, this drink, which lacked
processed sugar tasted far less sweet
than the root beer people drink today.**

Which correction should be made to this sentence?

- A. Delete the comma after drink
- B. Change lacked to lacking
- C. Insert a comma after sugar
- D. Change than to then

Question #5

Which of these would best be added after sentence 8?

- A. Even though sarsaparilla soda can be hard to find today, it is often available in specialty markets.
- B. Many younger people have never heard of sarsaparilla soda.
- C. Molasses is no longer needed to make sarsaparilla soda.
- D. American Indians taught the colonists how to make sarsaparilla soda.



“Virginia Outback”
MC Writing SOL

Question #1

"Virginia Outback" Goes Underground

Eleanor Hawkins writes "Virginia Outback," a weekly column for her high school newspaper. One of her columns is about a cave located on a farm in Virginia.

Eleanor wants to find information about laws protecting caves and the water supply. Which question is directly related to the topic?

A. How many communities access their water supply from underground caves?


 B. What penalties are charged to landowners who fail to protect water in caves?

C. What are the primary dangers posed to the water supply by the presence of caves?

D. How long have people recognized the connection between caves and water supplies?

Question #2

Which of these best states the thesis for this article?

- A. Because water that forms caves runs through them into an underground reservoir, polluting in caves can endanger Virginia's water supply.
- B. Caves are home to many unique creatures, among them the Virginia big-eared bats that hang upside down from the roof of the cave during the day and the albino fish that live in the underground streams.
- C. Cave formation in Virginia and elsewhere, which involves the slow process of water eroding limestone, takes many years to accomplish.
-  D. Although life above ground seems to take place in a different world, it affects Virginia's caves, and in turn, caves affect the land above.

Question #3

Read sentence 5.

The owner of the farm restricts access to keep it as undisturbed and as pure as possible, so I cannot name the cave, but I can say that it appears to be no more than a large hole in the ground.

How is this sentence best revised for conciseness?

- A. Although I cannot name the cave because the owner of the farm restricts access to keep it pure, it appears to be no more than a large hole in the ground.
- B. To keep the cave undisturbed, the owner of the farm restricts access and I cannot name the cave, but I can say that it appears to be no more than a large hole in the ground.
- C. Although I cannot name the cave because the owner of the farm restricts access to keep it as undisturbed as possible, it appears no larger than a hole in the ground is what I can say.
- D. I can say that the cave, although I cannot name the cave because the owner of the farm restricts access to keep it pure, appears to be no more than a large hole in the ground.

Question #4

Read sentence 12.

As our tour continued, Dr. Newman reminded us not to disturb or be damaging to the cave environment.

How is to disturb or be damaging to correctly written?

A. to be disturbing or to damage

B. to disturb or damaging

C. to disturb or damage

D. as it is


Question #5

Correctly punctuate sentence 14 using comma(s).

Without this¹ protection², trash³ or other
pollutants⁴ could enter the local⁵ water supply.

Question #6

Which quotation from an expert provides the best support for the article?

-  A. “Everything in the environment is connected, so harming one part of it harms all who call it home.”
- B. “Caves on private property should be capped so that no one is hurt while trying to explore them.”
- C. “Because they are insulated from the effects of the sun, caves have a year-round temperature in the 50s.”
- D. “While caves are interesting places to explore, the most important scientific research focuses on land or sea.”

Question #7

Which sentence is the best conclusion for the article?

A. Dr. Newman has devoted his career to saving Virginia's caves.

B. Virginia has many natural resources above ground and underground.

C. It is no wonder that Dr. Newman enjoys exploring Virginia's caves.

 D. That protection extends to Virginia above ground and underground.

Reflection

How confident did you feel
with the multiple choice questions today?

What type of questions
would you like additional review with?



“Retirement Letter”
MC Writing SOL

Question #1

Retirement Letter

Tricia is writing a letter to graduates of her high school asking them to recognize the service of Mrs. Galsworthy, a longtime teacher who is retiring at the end of the year.

Which note is in the wrong place in Tricia's outline?

I. Who and What

- A. Mrs. Galsworthy's retirement reception
- B. Gift presentation

II. Mrs. Galsworthy's History

- A. Came to Sarabande High in 1965
- B. Has taught more than 5,000 students

III. Mrs. Galsworthy's Influence

- A. Challenges her students in class
- B. Supports students during extracurricular activities

IV. Mrs. Galsworthy's Accomplishments

- A. Sponsored Mathematics Team for ten years
- B. Started and participated in tutoring program
- C. Led the fundraiser to expand the library

V. What Students Can Do

- A. Send in personal letters about Mrs. Galsworthy
- B. Remember all her students' names
- C. Attend the ceremony


Question #2

Read sentence 2.

Most graduates, when they pause to considering Mrs. Galsworthy's contributions, will remember her as a phenomenal teacher and a superb sponsor.

Which correction should be made to this sentence?

A. Remove the comma after graduates.

 B. Change considering to consider.

C. Change Galsworthy's to Galsworthy.

D. Remove the comma after contributions.

Question #3

Read sentence 16.

Scores of Sarabande students have felt her totally awesome school spirit and personal support as she cheered us on to do our best at all the sporting events and stuff.

How can Tricia best revise this sentence for appropriate tone?

- A. Lots of Sarabande students have felt her super school spirit and personal support when she would check out sporting events to cheer us on.
- B. Each year more and more students have felt her fabulous school spirit and support as they sweated it out at sporting events or games.
- C. Tons of Sarabande students from past years have felt her school spirit and personal support as she heaped on the encouragement during a sporting competition or game.
- D. Generations of Sarabande students have felt her school spirit and personal support as she inspired us to do our best during a sporting event or game. “Retirement Letter”

Question #4

Read sentence 25.

If each of Mrs. Galsworthy's former students respond to this request, the volume of letters presented to her will be large, but she deserves nothing less.

If sentence 25, how is respond correctly written.

A. do respond

 B. responds

C. have responded

D. as it is

Question #5

Read sentence 27.


**Write a letter that shares stories
memories, and appreciation.**

How is this sentence correctly written?

- A. Write a letter that shares, stories memories, and appreciation.
- B. Write a letter that shares stories, memories, and appreciation.
- C. Write a letter, that shares stories, memories, and appreciation.
- D. As it is


Question #6

Tricia wants to add these statements to her draft. Which statement does NOT persuade the reader to help recognize Mrs. Galsworthy's service?

-  A. It is likely that many graduates from Sarabande High School will attend the reception to honor Mrs. Galsworthy.
- B. Mrs. Galsworthy gained both respect and affection during her long career at Sarabande High School.
- C. Mrs. Galsworthy's sponsorship of many extracurricular activities demonstrates her spirit and generosity.
- D. A letter is a tangible symbol of gratitude for Mrs. Galsworthy's dedication to her students over the years.

Question #7

Which sentence would provide the best conclusion for Tricia's letter?

- A. For this special occasion Mrs. Galsworthy will not give grades for the assignment.
- B. Mrs. Galsworthy may receive so many letters that she will not know where to store all of them.
-  C. Seize this unique opportunity to tell a beloved teacher about the significant role she has played in her students' lives.
- D. Make sure to include the date and your signature on your letter so she knows who wrote the message and when it was written.