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Here are answers to all the exercises that have specific answers. Exercises for which answers will greatly vary are not covered here.

EXERCISE 11.1: Suggested Answers

1. Arguable
2. Arguable
3. Arguable
4. Not arguable
5. Not arguable
6. Not arguable, unless students want to discuss boiling temperatures at different air pressures
7. Arguable
8. Not arguable
9. Arguable
10. Arguable

EXERCISE 11.3: Suggested Answers

1. The Palestinian-Israeli conflict can be managed but not solved. *Thesis:* The U.S. government should not attempt to solve the Palestinian-Israeli conflict because (1) it is essentially religious, not political; (2) neither side has a tradition of compromise; and (3) both sides will accept nothing less than possession of the same territories.
2. Teenagers benefit from sex education in public schools. *Thesis:* Funding for sex education in public schools should not be cut because sex education has been shown to lower the rates of both teen pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases.
3. College tuition is too expensive. *Thesis:* Lowering college tuition rates would benefit our entire society by allowing more people to become educated contributors to the country's economy.
4. The reinstatement of the U.S. military draft would force every citizen to consider whether a war would be worth his or her life, or the life of a family member. *Thesis:* Reinstating

the draft would help bring the reality of war home to the United States as it would force everyone, before they agreed to let the country go to war, to consider whether they themselves would be willing to fight.

5. Music downloading is a convenient, seemingly victimless kind of petty crime. *Thesis:* Because theft should not be tolerated, even on a small scale, colleges should uniformly forbid music downloading.

EXERCISE 11.7: Suggested Answers

1. Any medical treatments that improve a patient's condition and do not harm anyone should be legal.
2. Women should not be exposed to a higher risk of death.
3. Only those who can talk can feel pain.

EXERCISE 11.9: Suggested Answers

1. Concern over basic human rights if banned; concern about the impact on social life; relief that pressure to drink would be lessened; concern that drinking would merely go underground and possibly become more dangerous; anger that a "right" has been restricted; resentment at being forbidden from doing something pleasurable.
2. Fear of terrorist hijackings; concern over possible invasion of privacy; anger over failure of past security measures.
3. Relief that unwanted pregnancies can be prevented; fear that easy access will lead to promiscuity; anger that the burden lies primarily with women.
4. Anger that taxes will be raised; relief that everyone will have health insurance regardless of class; concern for the efficiency of a new system.
5. Concern for the health of athletes; anger that coaches and players want to win at any cost.

EXERCISE 15.2: Answers

1. Unacceptable; misstates the writer's intent
2. Acceptable
3. Unacceptable; wording is too similar to original
4. Unacceptable; wording is too similar to original
5. Acceptable

EXERCISE 27.1: Suggested Answer

When you suggest something that doesn't appeal to them, they feel they *must* assert themselves. Their nature tells them to. They just say "no" in words or actions, even about things that they like to do. The psychologists call it "negativism"; many parents call it "that terrible *no* stage." But stop and think what would happen to children who never felt like saying "no." They'd become robots. You wouldn't be able to resist the temptation to boss them all the time, and they'd stop learning and developing. When they were old enough to go out into the world, to school and later to work, everybody else would take advantage of them, too. They'd never be good for anything.

**EXERCISE 27.2: THINKING CRITICALLY:
Suggested Answer**

Ruth Ozeki appeals to a sense of community and thoughtfulness. By using the word *we* multiple times, she incorporates a feeling of togetherness. Ozeki pleads for understanding and patience among individuals and also acknowledges the rapidly changing world. Her precise word choice and delicate yet passionate tone indicate her sobriety when discussing such urgent environmental matters. All of this, along with her description of human survival and compassion in the modern world, work to appeal to readers on an emotional level.

EXERCISE 29.2: Suggested Answers

1. In Shakespeare's *Othello*, Desdemona simply lies down like a sub-

missive victim and accepts her death as inevitable.

2. The budget office does not want to pay to replace the drafty windows, but the cost of heating the building should also be considered.
3. The discovery of the artifacts in King Tut's tomb was one of the most important archeological events of the twentieth century.
4. In unfamiliar settings or with people he did not know well, Duncan often appeared cold and distant, but in reality he was terrified.
5. My family lived in Trinidad for the first ten years of my life, and we experienced many hardships, but when we came to the United States, we thought our prospects were good.

EXERCISE 29.3: Answers

1. disinterested
2. emphasize
3. conscientious
4. industrious
5. proceeds

EXERCISE 29.4: Suggested Answers

1. *tragic*: distressing, alarming, disturbing; *drama*: excitement, tension, vitality
2. *girl*: young lady, miss
3. *abide*: tolerate; *turns*: changes; *vital*: alive; *hold still*: contain their energy

EXERCISE 29.5: Suggested Answers

1. The entryway of the building looked like a garbage dump: paper was littered about, bottles lay shattered, and rotting cantaloupe and chicken parts gave off an unbearable odor.
2. The cheerful early morning sounds of birds outside my window make it easier to get up.
3. The feast at Mom's on Sunday was delicious as usual: roast chicken, garlic and sage stuffing, sweet garden peas, gravy, and half a fresh-baked apple pie each.
4. The valet stepped toward my Porsche with excitement in her eyes.

5. My alarm clock clamored insistently until I mustered up the strength to get out of bed and turn it off.

EXERCISE 29.7: Answer

I see that you have *sent* me a warning about a computer virus that can destroy my hard drive, mangle my *software*, and generally *wreak* havoc on my computer. *However*, you may not be aware of the fact that warnings like this one are almost never real. When a message *asks* you to *forward* it to *everyone* in *your* address book, you should know immediately that *it's* a hoax. *Users* who send false warnings about viruses to hundreds of *their* friends are not doing *anyone* a favor; instead, they are *simply* slowing down traffic *online* and creating problems that *may be worse than* any technical difficulties caused by the virus—if the virus even *exists*. Please *ensure* that warnings contain a grain of *truth* before you *pass* them on. If *you're* worried that my computer might be in danger, set *your* mind at *ease*. I will *accept* responsibility if the machine goes *haywire*.

EXERCISE 29.8: Answer

If *you're* looking for summer fun, *accept* the friendly *advice* of thousands of happy adventurers: spend three *weeks* kayaking *through* the inside passage to Alaska. For ten years, Outings, Inc., has *led* groups of novice kayakers *past* some of the most breathtaking scenery in North America. The group's goal is simple: to give participants the time of *their* lives and show them things they don't see *every day*. As one of last year's adventurers said, "*It's* a trip that is *already* one of my favorite memories. It *affected* me powerfully."

EXERCISE 30.1: Suggested Answer

The auditorium was filled with people, but the sea of faces did not intimidate me. I had decided to appear in a musical with my local community theater group, and there was no going back now. I reminded myself that I had

gotten here through hard work, and I refused to doubt my abilities. Besides, the director and her staff had held auditions, and after I had read the heroine's part and sung a song, they had chosen me for the role even though I was untrained. My skills as an actor would now be judged publicly, but I felt ready to rise to the challenge.

EXERCISE 30.2: Suggested Answers

1. The original *Star Trek* television show, which ran from 1966 to 1969, had low ratings and was canceled by the network even though it was critically acclaimed.
2. Ancient Greeks relied on Athena, the goddess of wisdom, to protect the city of Athens, which was named in her honor.
3. When Harry Potter, a fictional wizard, turns eleven years old, he is taken to Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry.
4. Flappers, who broke with 1920s social conventions by cutting their hair short and smoking in public, seemed rebellious to their parents' generation.
5. In the mid-seventies, skateboarding originated in Venice, California, where, because of a drought, the swimming pools were empty.

EXERCISE 30.3: Suggested Answers

1. His video went viral, bringing in congratulations from everyone he knew on Facebook, increased advertising revenue, and an offer to edit a feature film.
2. I did not realize that living in the city would mean selling my car, losing half my closet space, and eating canned soup every night.
3. If meteorologists are correct in their predictions, we can expect a decade of record-breaking tropical storms and hurricanes.
4. From the sightseeing boat, we saw a whale dive toward us, lift itself out of the water, and crash its tail on the waves.

5. Jake experienced several side effects from the medication, including dizziness, dry mouth, and severe abdominal pain.

EXERCISE 31.1: Suggested Answers

1. To enroll in film school being my primary goal, I am always saving my money and watching for scholarship opportunities.
To enroll in film school is my primary goal, so I am always saving my money and watching for scholarship opportunities.
2. Many people would suffer if air-pollution standards were relaxed. The reason air-pollution standards should not be relaxed is that many people might suffer if they were.
3. By turning off the water when you brush your teeth, you can save up to eight gallons of water per day. Turning off the water when you brush your teeth can save up to eight gallons of water per day.
4. Irony occurs when you expect one thing and get something else. The experience of expecting one thing and getting another is irony.
5. I ate the best meal of my life, bread and cheese from a farmers' market, while sitting by a river. By the side of a river, I ate the best meal of my life, which consisted of bread and cheese from a farmers' market.

EXERCISE 31.2: Suggested Answers

1. Convection ovens cook more quickly and with less power than traditional ovens.
2. Argentina and Peru were colonized by Spain, while Brazil was colonized by Portugal.
3. She argued that children are even more important for men than they are for women.
4. Do you think the barbecue sauce in Memphis is better than it is in North Carolina?
5. The equipment in our new warehouse is guaranteed to last longer

than the machines in our current facility.

EXERCISE 32.1: Suggested Answers

1. Before buying a used car, you should note the mileage, take it for a test drive, and get it checked by a mechanic.
2. Three activities I'd like to try are mountain biking, cross-country skiing, and kayaking.
3. Working in a restaurant taught me not only the importance of service but also the art of small talk.
4. We must either walk quickly or drive slowly.
5. To pass the time in the waiting room, I read four magazines, texted all my friends, and stared at the clock.

EXERCISE 32.2: Suggested Answers

1. I remember watching it the first time, realizing I'd never seen anything like it, and immediately vowing never to miss an episode of *The Daily Show*.
2. A crowd stood outside the school and watched as the graduates paraded by.
3. An effective website is well designed, provides useful information, and gives links to other relevant sites.
4. It is impossible to watch *The Office* and not see a little of yourself in one of the characters.
5. Lila was the winner not only of the pie-eating contest but also of the yodeling competition. Lila won not only the pie-eating contest but also the yodeling competition.

EXERCISE 32.3: THINKING CRITICALLY: Suggested Answer

The richness of the scene was in *its plainness, its natural condition*—of horse, of ring, of girl, even to the girl's bare feet that gripped the bare back of her proud and ridiculous mount. The enchantment grew not *out of anything that happened or*

was performed but out of something that seemed to go round and around and around with the girl, attending her, a steady gleam in the shape of a circle—a ring of ambition, of happiness, of youth. (And the positive pleasures of equilibrium under difficulties.) In a week or two, *all would be changed, all (or almost all) lost; the girl would wear makeup, the horse would wear gold, the ring would be painted, the bark would be clean for the feet of the horse, the girl's feet would be clean for the slippers that she'd wear.* All, all would be lost.

EXERCISE 33.1: Suggested Answers

1. The greed of the 1980s gave way to the occupational insecurity of the 1990s, which in turn gave way to reinforced family ties in the early 2000s.
2. The building inspector suggested that we apply for a construction permit and that we check with his office again when the plans are complete.
3. The instructor grabbed her coat, wondered why the substitute was late, and ran out of the room.
4. Suddenly, we heard an explosion of wings off to our right, and we could see a hundred or more ducks lifting off from the water.
5. In my previous job, I sold the most advertising spots and earned a sales excellence award.
6. A cloud of snow powder rose as skis and poles flew in every direction.
7. The flight attendant told us to turn off all electronic devices but mentioned that we could use them again after takeoff.
8. The real estate market was softer than it had been for a decade, and buyers could practically name their price.
9. When in Florence, be sure to see the city's famed cathedral as well as Michelangelo's statue *David*.
10. The freezing weather is threatening crops such as citrus fruits, which are sensitive to cold.

EXERCISE 33.2: THINKING CRITICALLY:

Suggested Answers

third-person singular (*It has been . . .*)
 → first-person plural (*our time . . .*)
 → third-person singular (*There is no delusion . . .*) → second-person singular (*your head . . .*) → third-person singular (*The human mind . . .*) → first-person plural (*and we are obliged . . .*) → third-person singular (*It is all very well . . .*) → second-person singular (*your awareness . . .*)

(Note the shift in mood from the indicative to the imperative in the next-to-last sentence.)

EXERCISE 34.1: Suggested Answers

1. We made mistakes. (The active voice implies that the speaker is taking responsibility in a mature way.)
2. Hecklers interrupted the chair's address. (The active voice makes the hecklers the focus of the sentence.)
3. The city's new noise complaint hotline took numerous reports about loud music from bars and shouting neighbors. (The active voice puts the focus on the new hotline.)
4. An eight-year-old performed the violin solo. (The active voice is more taut and dramatic.)
5. In a patient with celiac disease, the body's immunological response to gluten damages the intestine. (Perhaps because both versions are long and technical, neither seems significantly better.)

EXERCISE 34.2: Suggested Answer

As humans domesticated dogs over many thousands of years, the canine species evolved into hundreds of breeds designed to perform specific tasks, such as pulling sleds and guarding sheep. Over time, the need for many breeds decreased. For example, as humans evolved from hunter-gatherers into farmers, they no longer needed hunting dogs. Later, as farming societies

became industrialized, herd animals disappeared, and fewer shepherds meant fewer sheepdogs. But by this time humans had grown accustomed to dogs' companionship, and breeding continued. Today, most owners keep dogs simply as companions, but some dogs still do the work they were intentionally bred for, such as following a scent, guarding a home, or leading the blind.

EXERCISE 35.1: Suggested Answer

Before planting a tree, a gardener needs to choose a good location—one with the right kind of soil, sufficient drainage, and enough light for the type of tree chosen. Then he or she must be sure to dig a deep enough hole. It should be deeper than the root-ball and about twice as wide. The gardener must unwrap the root-ball since the burlap, which is biodegradable, may be treated with chemicals that will eventually damage the roots if it is not removed. The roots may have grown into a compact ball if the tree has been in a pot for some time; they should be separated or cut apart. The gardener should set the root-ball into the hole and then begin to fill the hole with loose dirt. After filling the hole completely, he or she should make sure to water the tree thoroughly, since new plantings require extra water and extra care. After about three years they become well rooted.

EXERCISE 36.1: Answers

1. was released
2. will be arriving
3. have fallen
4. spoke; were taking
5. has been fingerprinted; is waiting

EXERCISE 36.2: Answers

Nouns are set in italics; articles are set in boldface.

1. *Halloween*; **the**; *children*; *candy*
2. *June*; **the**; *month*; *flooding*; **the**; *spring*
3. *Baking*; **a**; *activity*; *households*; **the**; *country*

4. **A**; *frost*; **the**; *ground*; **a**; *field*; *ice*
5. **The**; *cyclist*; **an**; *car*; **a**; *light*

EXERCISE 36.3: Answers

Pronouns are set in italics; antecedents are set in boldface.

1. *He*; **volunteers**; *themselves*
2. **kinds**; *those*; *who*; *those*; *who*
3. *Who*; **jeans**; *them*; **designer**; *himself*; *them*
4. **employees**; *themselves*; *their*
5. *everyone*; *your*

EXERCISE 36.4: Answers

Adjectives are set in italics; adverbs are set in boldface.

1. *The small*; *frightened*; **firmly**; *my*; *another*; **forward**
2. **Meanwhile**; *the financial*; **completely**; *false*
3. **generally**; *quiet*; *loud*; *grunting*; *mating*
4. *The huge red*; *lovely*; **disappointingly**
5. *The youngest*; *the*; *a brilliant*

EXERCISE 36.5: Answers

1. of; from; through
2. from; across; into
3. Instead of; among
4. After; on; for
5. about; from; of; in

EXERCISE 36.6: Answers

1. after; and; both . . . and; so
2. not only . . . but also
3. however; so
4. Although; so
5. because; but; still

EXERCISE 37.1: Answers

Complete subjects are set in italics; simple subjects are set in boldface.

1. *That* **container** *of fried rice*
2. *the new tour* **guide**
3. *One* **student**
4. *Japanese* **animation**, *with its cutting-edge graphics and futuristic plots*
5. *Sniffer* **dogs** *trained to detect drugs, blood, and explosives*

EXERCISE 37.2: Answers

Predicates are set in italics.

1. *is proud of his heritage*: LV—is; SC—proud

2. *made me angry*: TV—made; DO—me; OC—angry
3. *looks deserted*: LV—looks; SC—deserted
4. *will never die*: IV—will . . . die
5. *offered her a promotion*: TV—offered; IO—her; DO—promotion
3. Because some parents had complained about the lack of security on campus, new school safety rules were instituted this fall.
4. Rob, who frequently left his wallet at home, always borrowed money from friends.

EXERCISE 37.3: Answers

1. APP—the motel clerk; VERBAL (INF)—to be certified as a river guide; PREP—as a river guide
2. VERBAL (PART)—made by hand; PREP—by hand
3. ABSO—My stomach doing flips; VERBAL (PART)—doing flips
4. VERBAL (PART)—Floating on my back; PREP—on my back
5. VERBAL (GER)—Driving across town during rush hour; PREP—across town; PREP—during rush hour

EXERCISE 37.4: Answers

1. IND—The hockey game was postponed; DEP—because one of the players collapsed on the bench; SUB—because
2. IND—She discovered the secret admirer; DEP—who had been leaving notes in her locker; REL—who
3. DEP—After completing three advanced drawing classes; SUB CONJ—after; IND—Jason was admitted into the fine arts program; IND—and he immediately rented a small studio space
4. IND—The test was easier; DEP—than I had expected; SUB—than
5. IND—I could tell that it was going to rain; DEP—that it was going to rain; REL—that; IND—so I tried to get home quickly

EXERCISE 37.5: Suggested Answers

1. The economy, which had been in a serious downturn, gradually began to recover.
2. After hearing of an insurgent attack near her husband's base station, Simone waited nervously by the phone.

EXERCISE 37.6: Answers

1. complex
2. compound (interrogative)
3. complex (exclamatory)
4. complex (imperative)
5. compound-complex

EXERCISE 38.1: Answers

1. let, came, torn
2. reviewed, found
3. works
4. planted, gone
5. knew, ignored
6. painted, taken
7. sprang, swam
8. assumed, found
9. passed, fallen
10. decided, been

EXERCISE 38.2: Answers

1. lies
2. laid
3. set
4. sitting
5. sitting, rise

EXERCISE 38.3: Answers

1. *shows/has shown*—present action; may be seen as having started in the past and still ongoing
2. *have feared/have been fearing*—action begun in the past continues
3. *emigrated*—completed action
4. *has been*—started in the past and still ongoing
5. *will direct/will be directing*—future (continuing) action
6. *ate/were eating*—past action, completed
7. *will have received*—future action completed by a certain time
8. *will have watched*—future action completed by a certain time
9. *expresses*—literary work

10. *lasts*—general truth

EXERCISE 38.4: Answers

1. When she saw *Chicago*, it *made* her want to become an actress even more.
2. *Having left* England in December, the settlers *arrived* in Virginia in May.
3. I *had hoped* to make the college football team, but injuries prevented me from trying out.
4. *Having worked* with great dedication as a summer intern at the magazine, Mohan called his former supervisor in the fall to ask about a permanent position.
5. As we waited for the bus, we *watched* the taxis pass by.

EXERCISE 38.5: Answers

1. The lifeguard *informed* the surfers of a shark sighting.
2. A picture of Sam with huge ears and a pointy chin *was sketched* by the cartoonist.
3. The mother kangaroo *protects* her baby, *feeds* it, and *teaches* it how to survive.
4. Volunteers dressed as elves *gave* the gifts out to the children.
5. The board members *chose* a new advertising company.

EXERCISE 38.6: Answers

1. was → were
2. was → were
3. (correct)
4. was → were
5. remains → remain

EXERCISE 39.1: Answers

1. Before the middle of the nineteenth century, surgery was usually a terrifying, painful ordeal.
2. Because anesthesia did not exist yet, the only painkiller available for surgical patients was whiskey.
3. The pain of surgical procedures could be so severe that many people were willing to die rather than have surgery.

4. In 1846, one of the hospitals in Boston gave ether to a patient before he had surgery.
5. The patient, who had a large tumor on his neck, slept peacefully as doctors removed it.

EXERCISE 39.2: Answer

Hollywood is famous for hiring various experts to teach people technically what most of us learn informally. A case in point is *the* story about *the* children of one movie couple who noticed *a* new child in *the* neighborhood climbing *a* tree. *The* children immediately wanted to be given *the* name of his instructor in tree climbing.

EXERCISE 40.1: Answers

1. deserve
2. races
3. appears
4. needs
5. hides
6. was
7. comes
8. contributes
9. cause
10. leaves

EXERCISE 40.2: Answers

1. are → is; *Room and board* is considered a singular unit
2. tell → tells; *Goodfellas* is singular, a title
3. is → are; the subject, *paintings*, is plural
4. (correct; *Most* refers to *students*)
5. are → is; the subject, *Each*, is singular
6. were → was; “neither/nor”
7. were → was; the subject, *committee*, is treated as singular
8. (correct; *who* refers to *one*)
9. was (second verb) → were; *that* refers to *countries*
10. involve → involves; the subject, *Economics*, is treated as singular

EXERCISE 41.1: Answers

1. Who (subjective)
2. Whomever (direct object of *chooses*)
3. whoever (subject of the clause)
4. whom (object of preposition *with*)

- Who (subjective)

EXERCISE 41.2: Answers

- she
- them
- me
- their
- we

EXERCISE 41.3: Suggested Answers

- While shopping for a new computer for school, I noticed that laptops cost much less than they used to.
- Congress usually resists presidential attempts to encroach on what it considers congressional authority.
- Marco and Ellen were each given a chance to voice an opinion.
- Emergency room doctors need to be swift and decisive; they also need to be calm and careful.
- Every dog and cat has its own personality.

EXERCISE 41.4: Suggested Answers

- All scholarship applicants must fill out a financial aid form, meet with the dean, and write a letter to the committee members. The deadline is October 24, so applicants should start the process as soon as possible.
- Patients on medication may relate better to their therapists and be more responsive to them; these patients may also be less vulnerable to what disturbs them.
- Ms. Dunbar wanted to speak to my mother before speaking to me.
Ms. Dunbar wanted to speak to my mother before my mother spoke to me.
- Texans often hear about the influence of big oil corporations.
- Many residents were outraged by a small band of protestors picketing the new shopping center.
The new shopping center, which outraged many residents, was picketed by a small band of protestors.

EXERCISE 41.5: Suggested Answer

In the summer of 2005, the NCAA banned the use of mascots that could be considered offensive to Native Americans at any NCAA-sponsored championship games. In order to understand why Native Americans feel this issue is important, consider that, for years, movies and television programs portrayed Native Americans as savage warriors who were feared and misunderstood. That stereotypical image of Native Americans is what some schools have chosen to use as their mascot, a role typically played by wild animals or fictional beasts. Derogatory terms for other ethnic groups are never used for school mascots. In its new ruling, however, the NCAA asks schools to eliminate mascots that may be hurtful or offensive to America's Indian population.

EXERCISE 42.1: Answers

- nearly → impossible
- immaturely → behaving
- bad → Nora
- really → dangerous
- confidently → spoke
- badly → bleeding
- well → ran
- terrific → Arjun
- good → stew
- accurately → measured

EXERCISE 42.2: Answers

- Alicia speaks both Russian and German, but she speaks Russian better.
- The summers are rainier in New York than they are in Seattle.
- He glanced at the menu and ordered the most expensive wine on the list.
- Women tend to live longer than men; hence, more of the elderly are women.
- Minneapolis is the larger of the Twin Cities.
- She came up with a very silly plan for revenge.

She came up with the silliest plan for revenge that I had ever heard.

7. Our theater company has produced several of the most famous classical Greek plays.
8. The student cafeteria is operated by a college food service, which is part of a chain.
9. It is safer to jog in daylight than in the dark.
10. Evan argued that subtitled films are more boring to watch than films dubbed in English.

EXERCISE 42.3: THINKING CRITICALLY:**Answers**

Adjectives are set in italics; adverbs are set in boldface.

graceful; **softly**; *glowing*; **correctly**; *quiet*

EXERCISE 43.1: Suggested Answers

1. Relating her stories in a deadpan voice, the comedian had the audience doubled over with laughter.
2. News reports that emphasize random crime or rare diseases can increase a listener's irrational fears.
3. Studying legal documents and court records from hundreds of years ago teaches us about everyday life for ordinary people in the Middle Ages.
4. Civilians learn about the conflict from the firsthand accounts of journalists who risk their lives in war zones abroad.
5. On a safari in Africa last spring, Melena saw lions in the wild.
6. Doctors recommend a new, painless test for cancer.
7. Every afternoon I find my windshield covered with flyers for free pizza.
8. After the opening credits, screeching strings told the audience that the killer was coming.
9. The coach awarded a medal made of solid brass to the most valuable player.
10. The five-year-old finally lost her tooth, which was hanging on by a thread.

EXERCISE 43.2: Suggested Answers

1. The division that most profited deserves the prize.
The division that profited deserves the prize most.
2. Apparently, the soldier was injured by friendly fire.
The soldier was injured, apparently by friendly fire.
3. The art collector who originally owned the painting planned to leave it to a museum.
Originally, the art collector who owned the painting planned to leave it to a museum.
4. Alcoholics who frequently try to quit drinking on their own tend to relapse.
Alcoholics who try to quit drinking on their own tend to relapse frequently.
5. Ever since I was a child, I have liked only green peas with ham.
Ever since I was a child, I have liked green peas only with ham.

EXERCISE 43.3: Suggested Answers

1. Statistics tell us that strong economic times have led to increases in the college dropout rate.
2. Facing high levels of stress during finals, an otherwise honest student may consider cheating to achieve a higher grade.
3. The director encouraged us to applaud loudly and enthusiastically after each scene.
4. At the pinnacle of his career, Michael Jordan earned roughly \$40 million a year in endorsements.
5. Because of the sudden trading, the stock exchange became a chaotic circus.

EXERCISE 43.4: Suggested Answers

1. No longer obsessed with being the first to report a story, news shows now focus on presenting information as entertainment.
2. Evening talk shows blend news with comedy to attract younger viewers.

3. When news programs highlight local events, important international news stories often get overlooked.
4. Chosen for their looks, newscasters may have weak journalistic credentials.
5. As an interactive medium, the web offers online information that reinforces the views people already hold.
4. The number of vaccine manufacturers has plummeted because the industry has been hit with a flood of lawsuits.
5. Although most crustaceans live in the ocean, some also live on land or in freshwater habitats.
6. She inherited some tribal customs from her grandmother, and she knows the sewing technique called Seminole patchwork.

EXERCISE 44.1: Answers

The children's soccer game happened at 10:00 **on** Saturday morning. The families sat **on** blankets to watch the game. Everyone was **in** a good mood. When the game ended, both teams stood **in** a circle to cheer.

EXERCISE 44.2: Answers

1. *lay off*: phrasal verb
Soon after I was hired for my last job, I learned that the company might lay me off.
2. (correct) *count on*: prepositional verb
3. (correct) *pick up*: phrasal verb
4. *look at*: prepositional verb
As I looked at the newspaper, I was surprised to see that I was qualified for a job that paid much better than mine.
5. *gave up*: phrasal verb
I gave up my old job and took the new one, which made attending school much easier.

EXERCISE 45.1: Suggested Answers

1. Many motorists are unaware of the dangers of texting while driving, so lawmakers have taken the matter into their own hands.
2. The tallest human on record was Robert Wadlow—he reached an amazing height of eight feet, eleven inches.
3. Some employers provide on-site care for the children of their employees; others reimburse workers for day-care costs.

7. Don't throw your soda cans in the trash—recycle them.
8. My West Indian neighbor has lived in New England for years; nevertheless, she always feels betrayed by winter.
9. The impressive Hope diamond in the Smithsonian Institution looks even larger in person than online.
10. You signed up for the course—now you'll have to do the work.

EXERCISE 45.2: Suggested Answer

We may disagree on the causes of global warming; however, we cannot ignore that it is happening. Of course we still experience cold winters. On the other hand, average global temperatures have risen drastically for the last three decades. Polar ice caps are melting; as a result, sea levels are rising. Scientists predict more extreme weather in the coming decades. Droughts will probably be more common; in addition, flooding and tropical storm activity may increase. Some experts fear that rising temperatures may cause large amounts of methane gases to be released; this could be disastrous for our atmosphere. Climate change may have human causes; it might be a natural occurrence. Nevertheless, we must find ways to save our planet.

EXERCISE 46.1: Suggested Answers

1. Long stretches of white beaches and shady palm trees give tourists the impression of an island paradise.
2. Many college students are afraid of forgetting to study for an exam.

3. Much of New Orleans is below sea level, which makes it susceptible to flooding.
4. Fortunately for us, Uncle Ron forgot to bring his clarinet to the party.
5. Oscar night is an occasion for celebrating the film industry and criticizing the fashion industry.
6. Diners in Creole restaurants might try shrimp gumbo or turtle soup.
7. In the late 1940s, women began hosting Tupperware parties, casual gatherings in which the hosts act as salespersons.
8. I attempted to lose ten pounds in less than a week by eating only cottage cheese and grapefruit.
9. Our parents did not realize that we were hoarding our candy under our beds.
10. Thomas Edison was famous for such inventions as the phonograph and the first practical lightbulb.

EXERCISE 46.2: Suggested Answers

1. *Dependent-clause fragment:* As soon as the seventy-five-year-old cellist walked onstage, the audience burst into applause.
The audience burst into applause as soon as the seventy-five-year-old cellist walked onstage.
2. *Phrase fragment:* The patient has only one intention—to smoke behind the doctor's back.
The patient has only one intention: to smoke behind the doctor's back.
3. *Phrase fragment:* Some reality shows feature people working in dangerous situations, such as fishing for Alaskan king crab or logging in swamps.
Some reality shows feature people working in dangerous situations; for example, they show people fishing for Alaskan king crab or logging in swamps.
4. *Dependent-clause fragment:* After writing and rewriting for almost three years, she finally felt that her novel was complete.
She finally felt that her novel was complete after almost three years of writing and rewriting.
5. *Phrase fragment:* In the wake of the earthquake, relief workers tried to provide food and shelter to victims. Relief workers tried to provide victims with food and shelter in the wake of the earthquake.
6. *Phrase fragment:* Forster stopped writing novels after *A Passage to India*, one of the greatest works of the twentieth century.
After writing *A Passage to India*, one of the greatest works of the twentieth century, Forster stopped writing novels.
7. *Dependent-clause fragment:* Because only two students signed up, the class was canceled this semester. The class was canceled this semester because only two students signed up.
8. *Compound-predicate fragment:* I started running in April and ran my first marathon in September.
I started running in April; I ran my first marathon in September.
9. *Phrase fragment:* We sat stunned as she delivered her monologue, a ten-minute speech about everything we had done to annoy her. As she delivered her monologue, a ten-minute speech about everything we had done to annoy her, we sat stunned.
10. *Dependent-clause fragment:* All primates have opposable thumbs, which sets them apart from other mammals.
Having opposable thumbs is what sets all primates apart from other mammals.

EXERCISE 46.3: THINKING CRITICALLY:**Answer**

The sentence fragments are italicized.

On Sundays, for religion, we went up on the hill. *Skipping along the hexagon-shaped tile in Colonial Park. Darting up the steps to Edgecomb Avenue. Stopping*

in the candy store on St. Nicholas to load up. Leaning forward for leverage to finish the climb up to the church. I was always impressed by this particular house of the Lord.

EXERCISE 47.1: Answers

1. After the concession speech, the senator's supporters drifted out of the room.
2. To our surprise, the charity auction raised enough money to build a new technology center.
3. Unaware that the microphone was on, the candidate made an offensive comment.
4. Whenever someone rings the doorbell, her dog goes berserk.
5. Therefore, Sasha must take a summer course to receive her diploma.
6. (no comma needed)
7. A tray of shrimp in one hand and a pile of napkins in the other, the waiter avoided me.
8. (no comma needed)
9. When they woke up, the exhausted campers no longer wanted to hike.
10. Tears in his eyes, Keflezighi won the marathon.

EXERCISE 47.2: Suggested Answers

1. The chef did not want to serve a heavy dessert, *for* she was planning to have a rich stew for the main course.
2. My mother rarely allowed us to eat sweets, *but* Halloween was a special exception.
3. Scientists have mapped the human genome, *and* they learn more every day about how genes affect an individual's health.
4. Perhaps I will change my name when I get married, *or* maybe I will keep my maiden name.
5. Penguins cannot fly, *nor* can they walk the way other birds do.

EXERCISE 47.3: Answers

1. (no commas needed)
2. (no commas needed)

3. The enormous new house, which was the largest in the neighborhood, had replaced a much smaller old home.
4. The rescue workers, exhausted and discouraged, stared down at the ground without speaking.
5. (no commas needed)
6. Viruses, unlike bacteria, can reproduce only by infecting live cells.
7. (no commas needed)
8. Hammurabi, an ancient Babylonian king, created laws that were carved on a stone for public display.
9. Birds' hearts have four chambers, whereas reptiles' have three.
10. (no commas needed)

EXERCISE 47.4: Answers

1. The students donated clothing, school supplies, and nonperishable food.
2. The hot, humid weather did not stop the fans from flocking to the free outdoor concert.
3. The ball sailed over the fence, across the yard, and through the Wilsons' window.
4. (no commas needed)
5. The young athletes' parents insist on calling every play, judging every move, and telling everyone within earshot exactly what is wrong with the team.

EXERCISE 47.5: Answers

1. One must consider the society as a whole, not just its parts.
2. Drinking caffeinated beverages can, in fact, be good for your health.
3. You don't expect me to read this speech, do you?
4. Coming in ahead of schedule and under budget, it appears, is the only way to keep this client happy.
5. Believe me, Jenna, I had no idea things would turn out this way.

EXERCISE 47.6: Answers

1. The city of Dublin, Ireland, has a population of over 500,000.

2. (no commas needed, but a comma is optional in *1,200*)
3. New Delhi, India, and Islamabad, Pakistan, became the capitals of two independent nations at midnight on August 15, 1947.
4. MLA headquarters are at 26 Broadway, New York, New York 10004.
5. I was convinced that the nameplate I. M. Well, MD, was one of my sister's pranks.

EXERCISE 47.7: Answers

1. (no comma needed)
2. My mother was fond of telling me, "You'd make coffee nervous!"
3. (no comma needed)
4. "Learning without thought is labor lost; thought without learning is perilous," Confucius argued.
5. (no comma needed)

EXERCISE 48.1: Answers

1. Abalone fishing in California is strictly regulated; a person is allowed to harvest only twenty-four of these large mollusks per year.
2. City life offers many advantages; in many ways, however, life in a small town is much more pleasant.
3. The door contains an inflatable slide to be used in an emergency; in addition, each seat can become a flotation device.
4. Most car accidents occur within twenty-five miles of the home; therefore, you should wear your seat belt on every trip.
5. Involvement in team sports provides more than just health benefits for young girls; it also increases their self-confidence.

EXERCISE 48.2: Suggested Answer

Hosting your first dinner party can be very stressful, but careful planning and preparation can make it a success. The guest list must contain the right mix of people; everyone should feel comfortable. Good talkers and good listeners are both important, and while they don't need to agree on everything,

you don't want them to have fistfights, either. Then you need to plan the menu, which should steer clear of problem areas: for vegans, no pork chops; for guests with shellfish allergies, no lobster; for teetotalers, no tequila. In addition, make sure your home is clean and neat, and check that you have enough chairs, dishes, glasses, napkins, and silverware. Leave enough time to socialize with your guests—and save a little energy to clean up when it's over!

EXERCISE 49.1: Suggested Answers

1. Social scientists face difficult questions: should they use their knowledge to shape society, merely describe human behavior, or try to do both?
2. The court denied a New Jersey woman's petition to continue raising tigers in her backyard.
3. I screamed at Jamie, "You rat! You tricked me!"
4. The reporter wondered whether anything more could have been done to save lives.
5. (no change needed)
6. "Have you seen the new George Clooney film?" Mia asked.

EXERCISE 50.1: Answers

1. Grammar is not *everybody's* favorite subject.
2. An *ibis's* wingspan is about half as long as a *flamingo's*.
3. *Charles and Camilla's* first visit to the United States as a married couple included a stop at the White House.
4. The long debate over *states'* rights culminated in the Civil War.
5. *Kobe Bryant's* and *Tiger Woods's* personal crises have threatened to overshadow their athletic careers.
6. She insists that her personal life is *nobody's* business.
7. Parents often question their *children's* choice of friends.
8. This dog has a *beagle's* ears and a *St. Bernard's* face.
9. The sidewalk smokers disregarded the *surgeon general's* warnings.

10. *Anna and Tobias's* income dropped dramatically after Anna lost her job.

EXERCISE 50.2: Answers

1. There was a big revival at my Auntie *Reed's* church.
2. I heard the songs and the minister saying: "Why *don't* you come?"
3. Finally Westley said to me in a whisper: . . . "I'm tired o' sitting here. *Let's* get up and be saved."
4. So I decided that maybe to save further trouble, I'd better lie. . . .
5. That night . . . I cried, in bed alone, and *couldn't* stop.

EXERCISE 51.1: Answers

1. Stephen Colbert introduced Americans to the concept of "truthiness" on *The Colbert Report*.
2. Margaret Talbot's article "A Risky Proposal" examines the constitutionality of state laws that banned gay marriage.
3. "The little that is known about gorillas certainly makes you want to know more," writes Alan Moorehead in his essay "A Most Forgiving Ape."
4. My father's way of "helping" usually meant doing the whole project for me.
5. Should "America the Beautiful" replace "The Star-Spangled Banner" as the national anthem?
6. In the chapter called "The Last to See Them Alive," Truman Capote shows the utterly ordinary life of the Kansas family.
7. The *30 Rock* episode "Reunion" won an Emmy for outstanding comedy writing.
8. Several popular films, including *Mamma Mia!* and *Muriel's Wedding*, have used Abba hits such as "Dancing Queen" and "Take a Chance on Me."
9. My dictionary defines *isolation* as "the quality or state of being alone."
10. In his poem "The Shield of Achilles," W. H. Auden depicts the horror of modern warfare.

EXERCISE 52.1: Answers

1. The committee was presented with three options to pay for the new park: (1) increase vehicle registration fees, (2) install parking meters downtown, or (3) borrow money from the reserve fund.
2. The FISA statute authorizes government wiretapping only under certain circumstances (for instance, the government has to obtain a warrant).
3. The health care expert informed readers that "as we progress through middle age, we experience intimations of our own morality [*sic*]."
4. Some hospitals train nurses in a pseudoscientific technique called therapeutic touch (TT) that has been discredited by many rigorous studies.
5. Because I was carrying an umbrella (which, as it turned out, wasn't even necessary), I was required to enter the stadium through the high-security gate.

EXERCISE 52.2: Answers

1. Most people say that Labradors are easy to train—but they never met our Millie.
2. Even if marijuana is dangerous—an assertion disputed by many studies—it is certainly no more harmful to human health than alcohol and cigarettes, which remain legal.
3. If too much exposure to negative news stories makes you feel depressed or anxious—and why wouldn't it?—try going on a media fast.
4. Union Carbide's plant in Bhopal, India, sprang a leak—a leak that killed more than 2,000 people and injured an additional 200,000.
5. Refrigerators—especially side-by-side models—use up a lot of energy.

EXERCISE 52.3: Answers

1. After discussing the case study, the class reached one main conclusion: in any business, the most important asset is the customer.
2. Another example is taken from Psalm 139:16.
3. Roberto tried to make healthier choices, such as eating organic food, walking to work, and getting plenty of rest.
4. (correct)
5. Sofi rushed to catch the 5:45 express but had to wait for the 6:19.

EXERCISE 53.1: Answers

1. The town in the South where I was raised had a statue of a Civil War soldier in the center of Main Street.
2. Sarah Palin, the former governor, frequently complained that the press had treated her harshly before she accepted a position as an analyst for Fox News.
3. The Corporation for Public Broadcasting relies on donations as well as on grants from the National Endowment for the Arts.
4. During the economic recession, companies such as Starbucks had to close some of their stores; others, such as Circuit City, went completely out of business.
5. Most Americans remember where they were when they heard about the 9/11 disaster.
6. Accepting an award for his score for the John Wayne film *The High and the Mighty*, Dmitri Tiomkin thanked Beethoven, Brahms, Wagner, and Strauss.

EXERCISE 53.2: Answers

1. The Sandy Hook elementary school shootings in 2012 prompted a debate about gun control laws in the United States.
2. Every professor in the Department of English has a degree in literature.
3. The cast included several children, but only two of them had speaking roles.

4. (correct)
5. The price of oil has fluctuated this winter.

EXERCISE 54.1: Answers

1. The blue whale can grow to be 180 feet long and can weigh up to 380,000 pounds.
2. Every Friday, my grandmother would walk a mile to the post office and send a care package to her brother in Tennessee.
3. Many a Michigan-based auto company, including General Motors, requested financial aid from the government.
4. A large corporation like AT&T may help finance an employee's MBA.
5. Rosie began by saying, "If you want my two cents," but she did not wait to see if listeners wanted it or not.

EXERCISE 54.2: Answers

1. Al Gore won the popular vote with 50,996,116 votes, but he was still short by five electoral votes.
2. Two hundred thousand people may have perished in the 2010 Haitian earthquake.
As many as 200,000 people may have perished in the 2010 Haitian earthquake.
3. The senator who voted against the measure received 6,817 angry emails and only twelve in support of her decision.
4. (correct)
5. In that age group, the risk is estimated to be about 1 in 2,500.

**EXERCISE 54.3: THINKING CRITICALLY:
Answer**

All semi-pro leagues, it should be understood, are self-sustaining, and have no farm affiliation or other connection with the 26 major-league clubs, or with the 17 leagues and 152 teams . . . that make up the National Association—the minors, that is. There is no central body of semi-pro teams, and semi-pro players are not included among the

650 major-leaguers, the 2,500-odd minor-leaguers, plus all the managers, coaches, presidents, commissioners, front-office people, and scouts, who, taken together, constitute the great tent called organized ball. (A much diminished tent, at that; back in 1949, the minors included 59 leagues, about 448 teams, and perhaps 10,000 players.) Also outside the tent, but perhaps within its shade, are 5 college leagues, ranging across the country from Cape Cod to Alaska, where the most promising freshman, sophomore, and junior-college ballplayers . . . compete against each other. . . .

—ROGER ANGELL, “In the Country”

EXERCISE 55.1: Answers

1. (correct)
2. Homemade sushi can be dangerous, but so can deviled eggs kept too long in a picnic basket.
3. The tobacco plant (*Nicotiana tobacum*) is one of the most popular poisons in the world.
4. The monster in the Old English epic *Beowulf* got to tell his own side of the story in John Gardner’s novel *Grendel*.
5. The 2009 film *Star Trek* imagines the youthful life of James T. Kirk

and his early years as a starship captain.

EXERCISE 56.1: Answers

1. The group seeks volunteers to set up chairs in the meeting room before the event.
2. Despite concerns about reliability, police lineups are still frequently used to identify suspects.
3. I was ill prepared for my first calculus exam, but I managed to pass anyway.
4. Some passengers were bumped from the oversold flight.
5. Having an ignore-the-customer attitude may actually make a service-industry job less pleasant.
6. Both pro- and anti-State Department groups registered complaints.
7. At a yard sale, I found a 1964 pre-CBS Fender Stratocaster in mint condition.
8. Applicants who are over fifty years old may face age discrimination.
9. Neil Armstrong, a self-proclaimed “nerdy engineer,” was the first person to set foot on the moon.
10. Carefully marketed children’s safety products suggest to new parents that the more they spend, the safer their kids will be.