

Select the sentence from each group that is a sentence fragment or a run-on sentence.

1. A. Probably two to three hours, depending on how hard the task is.
B. The test seemed impossible, but I managed to make an A.
C. We went shopping this past weekend.
D. He wanted the blue one.
2. A. When you use the conjunctions and, for, nor, but, or, for, or, yet, so.
B. They promise to be there in time for the reception, but I expect they will be late.
C. There were four in our group.
D. Let's meet at Lucy's house, and remember to bring the soft drinks and popcorn.
3. A. Mr. Smith, along with all of his students, took his place in the auditorium.
B. The girls arrived late and left early; they only intended to make a brief appearance.
C. It is important to spend time studying, however, rest and recreation are also important.
D. The prosecution presented its case so well that it would be a surprise for the jury to return a verdict of not guilty.
4. A. This position requires speaking, writing, and supervising skills.
B. The conversation took place in her office, which was cluttered with papers and books.
C. The activity is brisk in the living room and in the kitchen while people are searching for a place to sit.
D. This is not what I requested the color is too dark, and it's the wrong size.
5. A. After searching through a loose-leaf binder of old homework assignments, he finally found the notes he was searching for, and he began his intense study marathon.
B. The student entered the professor's office cautiously, and he wondered if the professor-- especially someone so distinguished as to be the department head--could have any understanding of the stress students face.
C. Then she would be calm.
D. She looked at the cat again, who had been watching her, and the bird, which was chirping outside the window.
6. A. He took the elevator up to the ninth floor; he was just in time for his appointment.
B. She waited a minute before dialing the phone, still wondering if she was making the right decision.
C. The child's mother looked at him disapprovingly; he was wet, and his new clothes were covered in mud.
D. Because there was a policy that only students of the school could check out books from the library.
7. A. Jane watched for a moment, and then went back to work.
B. The teacher, having prepared the class for their exam.
C. She stood up and put on her jacket and hat.
D. Mary, sitting on the edge of her chair, watched to see the champion baton twirler's fire and knife performance.
8. A. He looked old; his hair and beard were gray.
B. Because the only one in the room besides her was an old gentleman with a fragile hand placed on each knee, whose eyes were closed as if he were asleep or dead or meditating.
C. Next to the young girl was the boy, still sleeping in the chair, and next to him was an older man, constantly watching the clock.
D. I like the way Judge Smith runs the courtroom; she has no trouble keeping order.
9. A. His teaching position paid well; nevertheless, his graduate school tuition was a great financial strain.
B. Please don't ask me to read I didn't bring my glasses.
C. We sang until midnight.
D. She had the correct answer.
10. A. Not wanting to appear overly ambitious.
B. Learning to play a musical instrument takes a great deal of time and patience.
C. All of the books on the list appealed to him, but he knew he would only have time to read two during the trip.
D. This is an important presentation for anyone interested in the field.

Select the sentence that has an error in subject verb agreement.

1. A. Both Christine and Heather have published their stories in major journals.
B. Neither student has the assignment completed.
C. The problems take them all evening to complete.
D. He is one of the students who has taken the exam.

2. A. He and his girlfriend talk on the phone constantly.
B. Neither she nor her mother wants to go to the dinner.
C. The professor or one of her research assistants is at every meeting.
D. The longest of the meetings are the first one of the semester.

3. A. The young couple has a new home in a beautiful neighborhood.
B. Either the professor or his students have prepared the grant submission.
C. Has an instructor or one of the lab assistants come to help you?
D. Neither the students nor their professor are going to the meeting.

4. A. The jury are taking their seats in the courtroom now.
B. The number of students are increasing.
C. Each of her daughters has developed a unique style.
D. Neither Suzi nor her sister has been able to find the missing earring.

5. A. There seem to be a growing interest in that class.
B. Either the students or their parents have spoken to the board.
C. When all of the tests are finished, the scientists will have more information.
D. Everyone except the lead suspect has given a statement to the police.

6. A. Two books, a pen, a steno tablet, and some candy was found in the briefcase.
B. Someone in the class or Sara critiques each presentation.
C. The child's demands irritate the parents.
D. Each of the students wears a white shirt with blue pants.

7. A. Each of the applicants completes an entrance exam, which requires an essay.
B. Every member of the chorus was complemented on the production.
C. The children, the mother, and the father were there supporting the team.
D. There has been problems with the outdated policy.

8. A. The time the classes are offered have made it difficult for many students.
B. The worker's tasks have not been neglected.
C. Dr. Jones, as well as Ms. Griffin, attends the conference every year.
D. One of the members has not returned from the recess.

9. A. The new system of taking messages have helped our response time tremendously.
B. Neither one of the children has agreed to come to the meeting.
C. The student, as well as her parents, was pleased with the grade report.
D. Either the student or his parents have collected his books.

10. A. Neither John nor his sisters has completed an information form.
B. A book, a pen, and paper were on the desk.
C. Either the student or one of the panel members respond to each question.
D. The committee debate the issues among themselves after each open session.