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**Fill in the circle for the answer you choose.**

1. Read the sentences.

Juneau is the capital of Alaska.

It is located in the southeast of the state.

Choose the **best** way to combine the sentences.

- (A) Juneau is the capital of Alaska it is located in the southeast of the state.
  - (B) Juneau is the capital of Alaska, but it is located in the southeast of the state.
  - (C) Juneau is the capital of Alaska, or it is located in the southeast of the state.
  - (D) Juneau is the capital of Alaska, and it is located in the southeast of the state.
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2. Read the sentences.

There are a lot of fun places to visit in Alaska.

My favorite is Kenai Fjords National Park.

Choose the **best** way to combine the sentences.

- (A) There are a lot of fun places to visit in Alaska, and my favorite is Kenai Fjords National Park.
- (B) There are a lot of fun places to visit in Alaska my favorite is Kenai Fjords National Park.
- (C) There are a lot of fun places to visit in Alaska, but my favorite is Kenai Fjords National Park.
- (D) There are a lot of fun places to visit in Alaska, or my favorite is Kenai Fjords National Park.

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3. Read the sentences.

I am in the 4th grade.

I have lived in Alaska my whole life.

Choose the **best** way to combine the sentences.

- (A) I am in the 4th grade I have lived in Alaska my whole life.
  - (B) I am in the 4th grade, but I have lived in Alaska my whole life.
  - (C) I am in the 4th grade, because I have lived in Alaska my whole life.
  - (D) I am in the 4th grade, and I have lived in Alaska my whole life.
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4. Read the sentences.

Our school lunchroom is crowded.

Our school lunchroom is noisy.

Our school lunchroom is smelly.

Choose the **best** way to combine the sentences.

- (A) Our school lunchroom is crowded, our school lunchroom is noisy, and our school lunchroom is smelly.
- (B) Our school lunchroom is crowded, noisy, and smelly.
- (C) Our school lunchroom is crowded, noisy, but smelly.
- (D) Our school lunchroom is crowded, noisy, smelly.

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5. Read the sentences.

For lunch I ate a sandwich.

For lunch I ate potato chips.

For lunch I ate a cookie.

Choose the **best** way to combine the sentences.

- (A) For lunch I ate a sandwich, I ate potato chips, I ate a cookie.
  - (B) For lunch I ate a sandwich, for lunch I ate potato chips, for lunch I ate a cookie.
  - (C) For lunch I ate a sandwich, potato chips, and a cookie.
  - (D) For lunch I ate a sandwich, potato chips, a cookie.
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6. Read the sentences.

Mary presented her science fair project in class today.

Jim presented his science fair project in class today.

Choose the **best** way to combine the sentences.

- (A) Mary and Jim presented their science fair projects in class today.
- (B) Mary presented her science fair project in class today, Jim presented his science fair project in class today.
- (C) Mary presented her science fair project in class today and Jim presented his science fair project in class today.
- (D) Mary presented her science fair project in class today because Jim presented his science project in class today.

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7. Read the sentences.

Mark failed his spelling test.

He did not study.

Choose the **best** way to combine the sentences.

- Ⓐ Mark failed his spelling test, but he did not study.
  - Ⓑ Mark failed his spelling test, he did not study.
  - Ⓒ Mark failed his spelling test, and he did not study.
  - Ⓓ Mark failed his spelling test because he did not study.
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8. Read the sentences.

The rug was very expensive.

It had been woven by hand.

Choose the **best** way to combine the sentences.

- Ⓐ The rug was very expensive because it had been woven by hand.
- Ⓑ The rug was very expensive, it had been woven by hand.
- Ⓒ The rug was very expensive, and it had been woven by hand.
- Ⓓ The rug was very expensive, but it had been woven by hand.

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9. Read the sentences.

Jenny went snowboarding with her family.  
She crashed several times.

Choose the **best** way to combine the sentences.

- (A) Jenny went snowboarding with her family, but she crashed several times.
  - (B) Jenny went snowboarding with her family, she crashed several times.
  - (C) Jenny went snowboarding with her family and crashed several times.
  - (D) Jenny went snowboarding with her family because she crashed several times.
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10. The following sentence should be divided into two sentences.

Mount McKinley is the tallest mountain in North America many people come from all over the world to see it.

Choose the **best** way to divide the sentence.

- (A) Mount McKinley is the tallest mountain. In North America many people come from all over the world to see it.
- (B) Mount McKinley is the tallest mountain in North America. Many people come from all over the world to see it.
- (C) Mount McKinley is the tallest mountain in North America many people. Come from all over the world to see it.
- (D) Mount McKinley is the tallest mountain in North America many people come from. All over the world to see it.

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11. The following sentence should be divided into two sentences.

On the way to school, Cindy dropped her backpack into a big puddle all of her books and papers got soaked.

Choose the **best** way to divide the sentence.

- Ⓐ On the way to school, Cindy dropped her backpack. Into a big puddle all of her books and papers got soaked.
  - Ⓑ On the way to school. Cindy dropped her backpack into a big puddle all of her books and papers got soaked.
  - Ⓒ On the way to school, Cindy dropped her backpack into a big puddle. All of her books and papers got soaked.
  - Ⓓ On the way to school, Cindy dropped her backpack into a big puddle all of her books. And papers got soaked.
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12. The following sentence should be divided into two sentences.

Jake and his family went fishing for salmon on the Kenai River his mom caught a 50-pound King Salmon.

Choose the **best** way to divide the sentence.

- Ⓐ Jake and his family went fishing for salmon. On the Kenai River his mom caught a 50-pound King Salmon.
- Ⓑ Jake and his family went fishing for salmon on the Kenai River. His mom caught a 50-pound King Salmon.
- Ⓒ Jake and his family went fishing for salmon on the Kenai River his mom caught. A 50-pound King Salmon.
- Ⓓ Jake and his family went fishing. For salmon on the Kenai River his mom caught a 50-pound King Salmon.

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13. The following sentence should be divided into two sentences.

Our favorite part of school is recess we like to play tag, swing across the monkey bars, and slide down the slide.

Choose the **best** way to divide the sentence.

- (A) Our favorite part of school is recess. We like to play tag, swing across the monkey bars, and slide down the slide.
  - (B) Our favorite part of school is recess we like to play tag, swing across the monkey bars. And slide down the slide.
  - (C) Our favorite part of school. Is recess we like to play tag, swing across the monkey bars, and slide down the slide.
  - (D) Our favorite part of school is recess we like to play tag. Swing across the monkey bars, and slide down the slide.
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14. Which sentence has all words spelled correctly?

- (A) In Ancient Egypt, most people where farmers.
  - (B) In Ancient Egypt, most people were farmers.
  - (C) In Ancient Egypt, most people wear farmers.
  - (D) They are all correct as is.
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15. Which sentence has all words spelled correctly?

- (A) The Nile River flooded evry year between July and September.
- (B) The Nile River flooded everey year between July and September.
- (C) The Nile River flooded every year between July and September.
- (D) They are all correct as is.

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16. Which sentence has all words spelled correctly?

- (A) The floodwaters spread silt over the land around the river.
  - (B) The floodwaters spread silt over the land around the river.
  - (C) The floodwaters sprede silt over the land around the river.
  - (D) They are all correct as is.
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17. Which sentence has all words spelled correctly?

- (A) Water and silt turned the desert land into good farmland.
  - (B) Water and silt turned the dessert land into good farmland.
  - (C) Water and silt turned the desertt land into good farmland.
  - (D) They are all correct as is.
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18. Which sentence has all words spelled correctly?

- (A) Without this yearly flooding, the Egyptians couldn't have grown plentiful crops in the desert.
  - (B) Without this yearly flooding, the Egyptians couldnt have grown plentyful crops in the desert
  - (C) Without this yearly flooding, the Egyptians couldn't have grown plentyful crops in the desert.
  - (D) They are all correct as is.
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19. Select the word that is spelled correctly.

- (A) feild
- (B) piece
- (C) breif
- (D) recieve

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20. Select the word that is spelled correctly.

- (A) voting
  - (B) slideing
  - (C) lovly
  - (D) sincerly
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21. Select the word that is spelled correctly.

- (A) dreem
  - (B) cream
  - (C) meent
  - (D) speke
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22. Select the word that is spelled correctly.

- (A) I'wd
  - (B) have'nt
  - (C) theyre'
  - (D) haven't
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23. Select the word that is spelled correctly.

- (A) storyes
- (B) families
- (C) journeies
- (D) countries

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24. Select the word that is spelled correctly.

- (A) tryed
  - (B) studied
  - (C) worried
  - (D) repling
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25. Select the word that is spelled correctly.

- (A) throgh
  - (B) enouf
  - (C) rouf
  - (D) dough
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26. Select the word that is spelled correctly.

- (A) snapes
- (B) claped
- (C) trimmed
- (D) shiped

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Read the letter. It has mistakes that need to be corrected. Use the letter to answer questions 27 through 30.

<sup>1</sup> 1234 South Dimond Street  
<sup>2</sup> Anchorage, Alaska 99529  
<sup>3</sup> March 5, 2008

<sup>4</sup> Dear Alice,

<sup>5</sup> I'm so glad you were able to visit us last month. <sup>6</sup> I had so much fun going to the Fur Rendezvous with you.

<sup>7</sup> Wasn't it great to watch the World Championship Sled Dog Races. <sup>8</sup> I was very happy that we had enough snow this year to hold the races. <sup>9</sup> In fact, we had a record amount of snow this winter! <sup>10</sup> I also enjoyed seeing the snow sculptures, and going on the rides at the carnival.

<sup>11</sup> I hope you can come and visit us next winter, even though I know you thought it was too cold.

<sup>12</sup> your friend,  
<sup>13</sup> Marsha

27. Which sentence has a mistake in capitalization?

- (A) Sentence 2
- (B) Sentence 4
- (C) Sentence 6
- (D) Sentence 12

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28. Which **best** describes Sentence 10?
- Ⓐ It has a punctuation mistake.
  - Ⓑ It does not belong in the letter.
  - Ⓒ It belongs after Sentence 11.
  - Ⓓ It is not a complete sentence.
29. Choose the correct way to write Line 12.
- Ⓐ Your friend
  - Ⓑ Your Friend
  - Ⓒ Your friend,
  - Ⓓ It is correct as is.
30. Which sentence has a punctuation mistake?
- Ⓐ Sentence 1
  - Ⓑ Sentence 2
  - Ⓒ Sentence 5
  - Ⓓ Sentence 7

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31. Choose the sentence that has correct capitalization.

- (A) On the first Monday in March, I have an appointment with Dr. Anderson.
- (B) On the first monday in march, I have an appointment with dr. Anderson.
- (C) On the first Monday in March, I have an appointment with dr. anderson.
- (D) On the first Monday in March, I have an Appointment with Dr. Anderson.

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32. Choose the sentence that is written correctly.

- (A) Tales of a 4th Grade Nothing is one of my favorite books.
- (B) "Tales of a 4th Grade Nothing" is one of my favorite books.
- (C) Tales of a 4th Grade Nothing is one of my favorite books.
- (D) Tales of a 4th grade nothing is one of my favorite books.

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**Read the book review. It has mistakes that need to be corrected. Use the book review to answer questions 33 through 35.**

<sup>1</sup> I just finished reading because of Winn Dixie by kate dicamillo. <sup>2</sup> It is about a girl named Opal who moves to a new town with her dad. <sup>3</sup> She is very lonely because she doesn't have a mother.

<sup>4</sup> Opal goes to the grocery store and finds a stray dog. <sup>5</sup> When the dog smiles at her, she knows she will have to keep it. <sup>6</sup> She names it winn dixie because that is the name of the grocery store.

<sup>7</sup> Winn Dixie helps Opal make other friends, like Miss Franny Block Gloria Dump and Otis. <sup>8</sup> Because of Winn Dixie, Opal is no longer lonely.

33. Choose the correct way to write Sentence 1.

- (A) I just finished reading because of Winn Dixie by Kate DiCamillo.
- (B) I just finished reading Because of Winn Dixie by Kate DiCamillo.
- (C) I just finished reading Because of Winn Dixie by kate dicamillo.
- (D) None of the above.

34. Choose the correct way to write Sentence 6.

- (A) She names it winn dixie because that is the name of the grocery store.
- (B) She names it Winn Dixie, because that is the name of the Grocery store.
- (C) She names it Winn Dixie because that is the name, of the grocery store.
- (D) She names it Winn Dixie because that is the name of the grocery store.

35. Choose the correct way to write Sentence 7.

- (A) Winn Dixie helps Opal make other friends, like Miss Franny Block Gloria Dump, and Otis.
- (B) Winn Dixie helps Opal make other friends, like Miss Franny Block, Gloria Dump, and Otis.
- (C) Winn Dixie helps Opal make other friends, like Miss Franny Block Gloria Dump and Otis.
- (D) None of the above.

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36. Which sentence has the correct punctuation?

- (A) January 23, 1964, was the coldest day on record.
  - (B) January 23 1964 was the coldest day on record.
  - (C) January 23, 1964 was the coldest day on record.
  - (D) January, 23, 1964, was the coldest day on record.
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37. Which sentence has the correct punctuation?

- (A) Alaska Governor Sarah Palin was born in Sandpoint Idaho.
  - (B) Alaska Governor Sarah palin was born in Sandpoint, Idaho.
  - (C) Alaska governor Sarah Palin was born in Sandpoint Idaho.
  - (D) Alaska Governor Sarah Palin was born in Sandpoint, Idaho.
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38. Which sentence has the correct punctuation?

- (A) Did you study for the math quiz
  - (B) Did you study for the math quiz!
  - (C) Did you study for the math quiz?
  - (D) Did you study for the math quiz.
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39. Which sentence has the correct punctuation?

- (A) My teacher did not believe me when I told her that I have four hamsters two cats three dogs and a fish.
- (B) My teacher did not believe me when I told her that I have four hamsters, two cats, three dogs, and a fish.
- (C) My teacher did not believe me, when I told her that I have four hamsters, two cats, three dogs, and a fish.
- (D) My teacher, did not believe me, when I told her, that I have four hamsters, two cats, three dogs, and a fish.

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40. Choose the sentence that is written correctly.

- (A) Everyone are going to the football game.
  - (B) Everyone is going to the football game.
  - (C) Everyone am going to the football game.
  - (D) Everyone were going to the football game.
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41. Choose the sentence that is written correctly.

- (A) The teachers are meeting in the library.
  - (B) The teachers am meeting in the library.
  - (C) The teachers was meeting in the library.
  - (D) The teachers is meeting in the library.
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42. Choose the sentence that is written correctly.

- (A) Each of the students are worried about the test.
  - (B) Each of the students am worried about the test.
  - (C) Each of the students is worried about the test.
  - (D) Each of the students were worried about the test.
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43. Choose the sentence that is written correctly.

- (A) Sarah and Sam running really fast.
- (B) Sarah and Sam run really fast.
- (C) Sarah and Sam runs really fast.
- (D) Sarah and Sam runned really fast.

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44. Choose the sentence that is written correctly.

- (A) Two students in our class have pet snakes.
  - (B) Two students in our class has pet snakes.
  - (C) Two students in our class having pet snakes.
  - (D) Two students in our class haves pet snakes.
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45. Choose the sentence that is written correctly.

- (A) One of my sisters are going to the movies.
  - (B) One of my sisters am going to the movies.
  - (C) One of my sisters is going to the movies.
  - (D) One of sisters were going to the movies.
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46. Choose the sentence that is written correctly.

- (A) Several of the students were singing in the choir.
  - (B) Several of the students was singing in the choir.
  - (C) Several of the students is singing in the choir.
  - (D) Several of the students am singing in the choir.
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47. Choose the sentence that is written correctly.

- (A) Mary and Jake goes to the grocery store.
- (B) Mary and Jake going to the grocery store.
- (C) Mary and Jake is going to the grocery store.
- (D) Mary and Jake go to the grocery store.

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48. Choose the sentence that is written correctly.

- (A) The students would have welcome a break during the test.
  - (B) The students would have welcomes a break during the test.
  - (C) The students would have welcomed a break during the test.
  - (D) The students would have welcoming a break during the test.
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49. Choose the sentence that is written correctly.

- (A) Everybody in the room seen the movie already.
  - (B) Everybody in the room has seen the movie already.
  - (C) Everybody in the room have seen the movie already.
  - (D) Everybody in the room sees the movie already.
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50. Choose the sentence that is written correctly.

- (A) Bill use the computer to write his report.
- (B) Bill using the computer to write his report.
- (C) Bill am using the computer to write his report.
- (D) Bill used the computer to write his report.

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**Read the story. Use the story to answer questions 51 through 54.**

<sup>1</sup> Last summer my family and I visited Six Flags Amusement Park. <sup>2</sup> I also wanted to go to a waterpark. <sup>3</sup> I could hardly wait to go on the Blue Streak roller coaster. <sup>4</sup> Finally we were able to board the wooden train. <sup>5</sup> We traveled slowly up the roller coaster twisting and turning and plunged down. <sup>6</sup> When the ride ended, I jumped out of the car and ran back to the start.

51. What is the best way to revise Sentence 5?

- (A) We traveled slowly up the roller coaster twisting and turning. And plunged down.
- (B) We traveled slowly up the roller coaster plunged down twisting and turning.
- (C) We traveled slowly up the roller coaster. Plunged down twisting and turning.
- (D) We traveled slowly up the roller coaster, then plunged down twisting and turning.

52. Read the sentence.

We had to wait in line for over an hour.

Where would this sentence **best** fit in the story?

- (A) after Sentence 2
- (B) after Sentence 3
- (C) after Sentence 4
- (D) after Sentence 5

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53. Read the sentence.

I raised my arms and screamed the entire way down.

Where would this sentence **best** fit in the story?

- (A) after Sentence 3
- (B) after Sentence 4
- (C) after Sentence 5
- (D) after Sentence 6

54. Which sentence does **not** belong in this story?

- (A) Sentence 1
- (B) Sentence 2
- (C) Sentence 5
- (D) Sentence 6

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**Read the story. The sentences are out of order. Use the story to answer questions 55 and 56.**

<sup>1</sup> He felt proud of his accomplishment. <sup>2</sup> The trail was steep and rocky.  
<sup>3</sup> As he took in the view from the top, he vowed to climb Flattop every summer.  
<sup>4</sup> It took him over an hour to reach the top. <sup>5</sup> He was tired and thirsty. <sup>6</sup> Last summer Andrew hiked up Flattop Mountain for the first time.

55. If the sentences were placed in the correct order, which sentence would be first?

- (A) Sentence 1
- (B) Sentence 3
- (C) Sentence 5
- (D) Sentence 6

56. If the sentences were placed in the correct order, which sentence would be last?

- (A) Sentence 3
- (B) Sentence 4
- (C) Sentence 5
- (D) Sentence 6

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A student wrote this report on owls. Use this report to answer questions 57 through 60.

<sup>1</sup> Owls are some of the best hunters on earth. <sup>2</sup> They have sharp claws that are perfect for snatching rodents, birds, fish and other prey. <sup>3</sup> Their beak is a great tool curved for tearing prey into pieces. <sup>4</sup> Their vision is sharp helping them hunt. <sup>5</sup> They can turn their heads almost all the way around to spot tasty animals. <sup>6</sup> But hearing is the owl's main tool for hunting. <sup>7</sup> All of these adaptations work together to make owls great hunters.

57. Read the sentence.

Their bodies have been adapted to make them skilled hunters.

Where would this sentence **best** fit in the report?

- (A) as the first sentence
- (B) after Sentence 1
- (C) after Sentence 4
- (D) after Sentence 7

58. Read the sentence.

Some owls can even hear an animal moving under the snow.

Where would this sentence **best** fit in the report?

- (A) after Sentence 2
- (B) after Sentence 3
- (C) after Sentence 6
- (D) after Sentence 7

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59. What is the best way to revise Sentence 3?

- Ⓐ Their curved beak is a great tool for tearing prey into pieces.
- Ⓑ Their beak is a great tool. Curved for tearing prey into pieces.
- Ⓒ Their beak is a great tool curved for tearing. Prey into pieces.
- Ⓓ No revision is needed.

60. What is the best way to revise Sentence 4?

- Ⓐ Their vision is sharp. To help them hunt.
- Ⓑ Their vision is sharp. And helping them hunt.
- Ⓒ Their sharp vision helps them hunt.
- Ⓓ No revision is needed.

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