

Blizzard Bag 1

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Verbs

1.

The entire crowd in the gym was shocked by the final score.

Which is the verb phrase in the sentence above?

- A. by the final score
- B. was
- C. was shocked
- D. entire crowd

2.

Stan _____ his name on his library card application.

What is the correct form of the verb that should go in the blank?

- A. writed
- B. write
- C. written
- D. wrote

3. Which sentence uses the correct verb (**lay** or **lie**)?

- A. He laid down to rest.
- B. Make sure to lie the books on the desk.
- C. I wanted to lay down, but I was too busy.
- D. Please lay the clean laundry on the table.

4. Which sentence uses the correct verb (**sit** or **set**)?

- A. Our house sets on a hill.
- B. Come in, set down, and relax.
- C. Sit your watch to the correct time.
- D. Set your shoes on the stand.

5. Susanne _____ to buy a spiral notebook for her math class. She will also need pencils, an eraser, a ruler, a protractor, and a compass. Her mother _____ all the items at the grocery store on her next shopping trip.

What goes in the blanks?

- A. will need, will buy
- B. need, buy
- C. needed, bought
- D. will needed, will bought

6.

"This elephant is like a high, strong wall," he _____ more than an hour ago.

What goes in the blank?

- A. announced
 - B. announcing
 - C. will announce
 - D. announces
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7.

I _____ around the track four times at the previous football practice.

What goes in the blank?

- A. running
- B. have run
- C. ran
- D. will run

8. Clifford Jones goes to a Christmas party at the club. He _____ that the chairman will choose him to be first to shake hands with Santa Claus. Clifford Jones sits in the chair where he was supposed to sit. He _____ his hands and looks around. No one pays any attention to Clifford Jones.

What goes in the blanks?

- A. hopes, folds
- B. will hoped, has folds
- C. hoping, folding
- D. hope, fold

9.

I will _____ in the marathon this summer.

What goes in the blank?

- A. run
- B. runs
- C. ran
- D. running

10.

You will _____ the test by three o'clock.

What goes in the blank?

- A. had finished
 - B. are finishing
 - C. have finished
 - D. must finish
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Answers

- 1. C
- 2. D
- 3. D

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Summarization

The SuperBall, also known as the bouncy ball, was invented in 1965 by Norman Stingley. At the time, Stingley was a chemist living in California. He would take scraps of rubber and pack them together with up to 3500 lbs of pressure per square inch. This made the ball super bouncy. When dropped from shoulder height, it would bounce right back. And if an adult throws it down, it can bounce as high as a three-story house. The SuperBall went through many changes before it was released to the public. At first, the ball would fall apart if it hit a surface with too much force. The toy company Wham-O made it better, and two years later, it hit the shelves. It was an immediate success. To this day, SuperBalls are popular all over the world.

1. Which is the **best** summary of the article?

- A. The SuperBall was invented by Norman Stingley in 1965. It can bounce as high as a three story building.
- B. The SuperBall was manufactured by Wham-O. It took them two years to get it ready to sell to the public.
- C. The SuperBall is also known as the bouncy ball. Norman Stingley invented it by packing rubber together.
- D. The SuperBall was invented by Norman Stingley in 1965. Its amazing bounce makes it a popular toy to this day.

The Cardinal, or red bird, is one of the most beautiful birds on earth. It is a songbird with a sweet sound that is nice to hear. The male Cardinal is a bright red color and looks like he is wearing a black mask. He is larger than the female bird. The female Cardinal is browner in color and appears to wear a smaller mask. She has some red color on her body. She sings the sweet song, too. Cardinals can be found in the woods, parks or even your yard.

2. Which is the **best** summary of this passage?

- A. Cardinals are beautiful songbirds that can be found in many places. Males are bright red with a black mask. Females are browner and smaller, and have a smaller black mask.
- B. Cardinals are the most beautiful birds on earth and can be found in many forests. Cardinals are red and brown songbirds that sing sweet songs that people enjoy hearing.
- C. The male cardinal is larger and has more red coloring than the female cardinal does. He looks like he has a black mask on. The female's mask is a little smaller than the male's.
- D. Many states have chosen the pretty red cardinal as the official state bird. Cardinals can be found in the woods, parks, or even in your own backyard. Cardinals sing songs.

Bats on Vacation

Have you ever wondered what bats do in the winter? The answer depends on what kind of bat you are talking about. Some bats migrate to a warmer climate when the temperature begins to drop. Other bats hibernate.

Bats that migrate fly to warmer climates in the winter. They fly to places where they can find plenty of insects and fruit to eat. Some of these bats fly up to 800 miles to get from their homes in the U.S. to their homes in Mexico.

Bats that hibernate stay in the same area year-round. Cave bats fly into caves and hibernate in groups of hundreds of bats. Having so many bats gathered together helps them stay warm all winter. When summer comes around, they live in trees and buildings. Tree bats hibernate in hollow trees during the winter. When the weather warms up, they live in roosts in trees.

3. Samuel is writing a summary of "Bats on Vacation." Which word in the passage should he highlight as being important for his summary?

- A. hibernate:migrate:
- B. wondered
- C. roosts
- D. 800 miles

4. Which of the following **best** summarizes the passage?

- A. Bats migrate up to 800 miles away in Mexico. In the warmth of Mexico, they find plenty of insects and fruit to eat. In the summer, they fly back to their homes.
- B. Tree bats roost in hollow trees and buildings. When the weather turns cold in the winter, bats will hibernate in groups or migrate to a warm place like Mexico.
- C. In the winter, some bats migrate to warmer climates where they can find food to eat. Other bats stay in the same place and hibernate in groups in caves or trees.

- D. In the winter, cave bats hibernate in groups of hundreds. Hibernating in groups helps the bats stay warm throughout the long winter season.

Snake Scare!

Corey was playing in the front yard with his friends Jimmy and Paul. They ran all over the yard and threw a baseball back and forth. Then, Jimmy saw something moving in the grass.

"Guys, there's a snake in the yard! Come see," Jimmy called.

Corey and Paul raced over. All three boys thought snakes were really cool. They each wanted a snake for a pet.

"I'm going to get a box and put the snake in it. I can take him home," Jimmy said.

Corey shook his head. "The snake is in my yard. I should get to keep it!"

Just then, Corey's mom came outside. "Hi, boys, you ready for a snack?"

"Mom, look what we found!" Corey said, picking up the snake.

Corey's mom screamed. "Put that down! It's poisonous! Put it down now!"

Corey dropped the snake, and the boys ran inside. They all looked at each other with relief.

5. Which of the following **best** summarizes the story?
- Corey, Jimmy, and Paul were playing outside when they found a snake. As they argued who would take it home, Corey's mom yelled that the snake was poisonous. The boys ran inside.
 - Three boys played outside in Corey's front yard while his mom was inside. Jimmy found a snake and tried to put it in a box and take it home. All of the boys wanted a snake for a pet.
 - Jimmy and Corey argued over who should take a snake home. Jimmy wanted to take the snake home in a box. Corey wanted to keep the snake because it was in his yard. The snake was poisonous.
 - Corey's mom came outside to find a poisonous snake in the yard. She yelled at her son Corey, "Put that down! It's poisonous! Put it down now!" The boys dropped the snake and ran inside.
6. Which line shows an idea that would be good to include in a summary of this story?
- They ran all over the yard and threw a baseball back and forth.
 - Corey and Paul raced over.
 - "Hi, boys, you ready for a snack?"
 - Corey dropped the snake, and the boys ran inside.
7. Karmina is writing a summary of "Snake Scare!" Which word in the passage should she highlight as being important for her summary?
- front
 - something
 - poisonous
 - snack

Soccer is the most widely played sport in the world. It started in the 1800s in England and is also called football. The main action in the game involves kicking the ball. Only the goalie is allowed to pick the ball up with his hands. Soccer became popular worldwide in the early 1900s. Many countries started their own teams. Even women's teams were started. The first women's World Cup was played in 1971.

Everywhere you go, kids are kicking balls. No matter where in the world you may travel, you see kids playing. The game of soccer unites us all.

8. What is the **best** summary of this passage?
- Soccer is popular all over the world. It unites all people.
 - Soccer was started in the 1800s. It is a popular sport.
 - Women play soccer as well. They even have their own World Cup.
 - Everyone can play soccer. In some countries, it is called football.

The Truth About Bats

Bats are nocturnal, which means they are active at night. Because of this, humans rarely get a chance to interact with them. As a result, most people do not know as much about bats as they know about cats, birds, or squirrels. This causes a number of misunderstandings.

For instance, most people do not know what bats eat. They often assume that bats feed on blood and are harmful, but this is only true for 3 of the 1,100 different bat species.

In fact, most bats are helpful. The majority of bats eat insects that annoy humans. One insect-eating bat can eat 600–1000 mosquitoes in an hour. Other bats eat fruit. Like birds, these bats spread fruit seeds that grow into trees. A small group of bats eat nectar and pollen. These bats help flowers and plants reproduce.

Next time you see a bat, thank it for all the good things it does.

9. Which of the following **best** summarizes the passage?

- A. Bats do not feed on blood and are not dangerous. They eat a lot of insects that are annoying to humans. Some bats can eat up to 1000 mosquitoes in an hour.
- B. Bats are helpful, nocturnal animals that are often misunderstood. Most bats eat annoying insects, while others eat fruit, nectar, and pollen, which help plants reproduce.
- C. Humans rarely interact with bats, so they do not know much about them. Most people know a lot about cats, birds, and squirrels, but they do not learn about bats.
- D. Many bats feed on fruit, nectar, and pollen, which help flowers and plants reproduce. Bats are helpful and good, even though most people do not think that they are.

10. Samuel is writing a summary of "The Truth About Bats." Which word in the passage should he highlight as being important for his summary?

- A. group
- B. number
- C. :helpful;nocturnal:
- D. species

Answers

1. D
2. A
3. A
4. C
5. A
6. D
7. C
8. A
9. B
10. C

Explanations

1. A summary gives only the most important ideas and information of a story. It does not give all the details. The best summary for this passage tells the reader who invented the The SuperBall, in what year, and how popular it is today. No other details are needed.

2. When you summarize an article, you retell it in a much shorter form. This article explains the differences between male and female Cardinals. A good summary of this article outlines the differences in as few words as possible, using only the major ideas.

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