

Name _____

Conventions Final / Ramsey

Directions: Fill in the blanks or circle the correct word or punctuation.

1. _____ almost the end of the term, but _____ not _____ late _____
Its / It's its / it's to / two / too to / two / too

improve _____ grade.
 your / you're

2. _____ are _____ _____ class periods left, but
There / Their / They're less / fewer everyday / every day

_____ more important _____ they used to be.
there / their / they're alot / a lot than / then

3. _____ diploma is this? _____ ink isn't dry yet, but will you please give
Whose / Who's Its / It's

it to my friends and _____?
 I / me

4. My test answers are _____, but my friends and _____ don't want to
 alright / all right I / me

_____ bad grades because they might _____ our scholarships.
except / accept effect / affect

5. I worry about my grades _____, but I'm _____ signed up for
 everyday / every day already / all ready

next year's classes with professors _____ are really good teachers.
 that / who

6. My friends aren't worried about _____ grades, but the _____ won't
 there / their / they're effect / affect

be something _____ makes them _____ scholarships.
 that / who loose / lose there / their / they're

7. First, I'll read everything _____ the letters, _____ I'll read the letters.
 accept / except than / then

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8. _____ to do _____ work for the _____?
 Whose / Who's already / all ready less / fewer principle / principal
9. _____ with your money, so save it.
 Your / You're already / all ready to / two / too lose / loose
10. "Nowadays" in academic writing = Good Bad (circle one)
 "All in all" in academic writing = Good Bad (circle one)
 "You" in academic writing = Good Bad (circle one)

Complete sentence, fragment, or run-on?

11. _____ Yesterday, I turned in my last essay of the year.
12. _____ I turned it in, then I.
13. _____ I turned it in, I think it was really good.
14. _____ I wasn't always proud of my writing.
15. _____ Last year, when I wrote book reports.
16. _____ Next year, I'll write lots of essays I'll do well.

Spell the following words correctly.

17. _____
 a. peralel / b. parrallel / c. paralell / d. parallel / e. parellel / f. perallel
18. _____
 a. gramar / b. gramer / c. grammer / d. grammar / e. gramur/ f. grammur
19. _____
 a. address / b. adress / c. addres / d. adres / e. addrus / f. uhdress
20. _____
 a. leyesens / b. liesence / c. license / d. lisense / e. lisence / f. licence
21. _____
 a. committment / b. commitment / c. comitment / d. commitment / e. cummitment
22. _____
 a. embarased / b. embarrassed / c. embarassed / d. embarrassed / e. embearussd
23. _____
 a. absense / b. abcence / c. abcense / d. absence / e. absunse / f. absence

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24. _____
a. innocence / b. innosence / c. inosence / d. inocence / e. innosense / f. inasince
25. _____
a. seperate / b. separate / c. separut / d. seprate / e. seprut / f. seprate
26. _____
a. neseccery / b. nesessary / c. necessary / d. neccessary / e. neccessary
27. _____
a. acidentally / b. accidentally / c. accidentaly / d. accidentely / e. axadently
28. _____
a. forrun / b. forein / c. foriegn / d. foreign / e. forrein / f. forreign
29. _____
a. priviledge / b. priveledg / c. privlige / d. priveledge / e. privilege
30. _____
a. maintanence / b. maintenance / c. maintenence / d. maintinance / e. mantenence
31. _____
a. beginning / b. begining / c. begginning / d. beginnning / e. bahginnin
32. _____
a. ocashun / b. occasion / c. occassion / d. ocasion / e. occation / f. uhkayshun

Circle the correct verb in each sentence.

33. The students, even when unaccompanied by their teacher, ARRIVE / ARRIVES on time.
34. The students and their teacher ARRIVE / ARRIVES on time.
35. Either the students or their teacher ARRIVE / ARRIVES on time.
36. My parents and I WANT / WANTS me to graduate this year.
37. Either my parents or I WANT / WANTS me to graduate this year.
38. My parents, even when they're with my sister, WANT / WANTS to eat pizza every Friday.

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Circle the correctly punctuated sentences.

39. a. I have two friends'. 41. a. My last essays introduction was good.
b. I have two friend's. b. My last essay's introduction was good.
c. I have two friends. c. My last essays' introduction was good.
40. a. My moms car is new. 42. a. Are your three dogs tails long?
b. My mom's car is new. b. Are your three dog's tails long?
c. My moms' car is new. c. Are your three dogs' tails long?

43. Circle the correct choice.

- A. I bought three books: *Timequake, Aftershock, and Waiting*.
B. I bought three books: "Timequake," "Aftershock," and "Waiting."
C. I bought three books, including: *Timequake, Aftershock, and Waiting*.
D. I bought three books, including: "Timequake", "Aftershock", and "Waiting".

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44. In the space below, write a sentence with a comma and a SEMICOLON.

45. In the space below, write a sentence with a COLON and an apostrophe.

Insert punctuation where it belongs. Make your punctuation and its placement obvious.

46. "I wont go to school on Friday instead I might get there no matter how late on Monday "

47. "Im planning on windsurfing kiteboarding and skating to school Mom but not walking on those busy roads "

48. "The suns glaring brightness doesnt distract me from driving but will it affect my ability to ride my bike "

49. "Well why didnt you ask me if Id go with you "

50. Write a paragraph describing a triumphant moment or an embarrassing moment from your high-school years. Your paragraph should be at least SIX sentences long. Try to make your writing *interesting* as well as grammatically correct. Please?

33. Write a paragraph describing one thing we did this year that I should be sure to do again next year AND one thing we did this year that I should NOT do again next year.
