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1.

Today was the day to pick up their new puppy. Andy and Devon were so excited they couldn't sit still. Just think! A new, cute, little puppy would be their very own. They were going swimming. The boys had promised that they would take care of their little dog: feeding her, walking her, and training her to be a good pet. They knew this would be a lot of work. They couldn't wait to get started!

Which sentence does NOT belong in this paragraph?

- A. Today was the day to pick up their new puppy.
 - B. They were going swimming.
 - C. They knew this would be a lot of work.
 - D. They couldn't wait to get started.
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2. Use the paragraph below to answer this question.

¹School was finally over and Monte needed something to do this summer. ²His mom enrolled Monte in a summer camp program. ³Monte's brother went on a camping trip. ⁴While in camp, Monte would enjoy team sports, relay races, arts and crafts, and a field trip every week.

Which sentence should be removed from the paragraph above?

- A. sentence 1
 - B. sentence 2
 - C. sentence 3
 - D. sentence 4
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3.

Joe was in a bad mood. He would not do anything that anyone asked him to do. He stomped his feet and slammed his bedroom door. He just crossed his arms and would not tell anyone what was wrong. He slammed the bedroom door. There was nothing anyone could do when he was in a bad mood.

Which sentence is NOT needed in this paragraph?

- A. Joe was in a bad mood.
 - B. He would not do anything that anyone asked him to do.
 - C. He slammed the bedroom door.
 - D. There was nothing anyone could do when he was in a bad mood.
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4. In which part of a book would you look to find the page numbers where a specific word is located?

- A. index
 - B. glossary
 - C. title page
 - D. bibliography
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5. Which sentence below is a detail sentence that might BEST be added to the paragraph below?

Some snakes and lizards have forked tongues. The tongues are harmless and are used to taste the air. Flicking the tongue is a way of smelling the air and ground.

- A. Snakes' eyes are always open.
 - B. Some snakes have pits in their head that sense heat.
 - C. A chameleon's tongue can be as long as its body.
 - D. Many snakes use their tongues to find food.
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6. Which words below are used in writing to show order or the sequence of events?

- A. both, in addition, also
 - B. furthermore, in fact, besides
 - C. before, therefore, however
 - D. first, next, finally
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7.

Scott likes horses. He has a horse that he rides every day. The name of his horse is Beauty. He wants to buy a motorcycle.

Which sentence does NOT belong in the paragraph?

- A. Scott likes horses.
 - B. He has a horse that he rides every day.
 - C. The name of his horse is Beauty.
 - D. He wants to buy a motorcycle.
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8.

I like to water the garden. First, I water the tomatoes. Next, the grapes are watered, and it takes about 20 minutes for them. Finally, I water the beans. The plants will be much healthier if I water them. I like to think I am helping the plants to grow.

Which sentence is the closing sentence of this paragraph?

- A. I like to water the garden.
 - B. Next, the grapes are watered, and it takes about 20 minutes for them.
 - C. The plants will be much healthier if I water them.
 - D. I like to think I'm helping the plants to grow.
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9.

Jack decided to make a card for his mother's birthday. First, he cut out the shape of a heart with scissors. He used scissors to cut out the heart. Next, he colored the heart with crayons and wrote "Happy Birthday" on it. When the card was finished, he gave it to his mother.

Which sentence is NOT needed in the paragraph because it repeats something that has already been said?

- A. Jack decided to make a card for his mother's birthday.
 - B. He used scissors to cut out the heart.
 - C. Next he colored the heart with crayons and wrote "Happy Birthday" on it.
 - D. When the card was finished, he gave it to his mother.
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10. Hector wants to write a research paper on the history of the automobile. Where should he look?

- A. a dictionary
- B. an atlas
- C. an almanac
- D. an encyclopedia

Answer Key

1. B) They were going swimming.
2. C) sentence 3
3. C) He slammed the bedroom door.
4. A) index
5. D) Many snakes use their tongues to find food.
6. D) first, next, finally
7. D) He wants to buy a motorcycle.
8. D) I like to think I'm helping the plants to grow.
9. B) He used scissors to cut out the heart.
10. D) an encyclopedia