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Everyday Commas

Medium | B1 | Intermediate | Clause | Comma | Complex sentence | Compound sentence | Conjunction | Coordination | Interjection | Phrase | Punctuation

1. Select the best sentence to introduce the neighborhood's most famous pet in the local newsletter.

Select one.

A) Barnaby a fluffy orange cat, thinks he owns the local bakery.
B) Barnaby, a fluffy orange cat, thinks he owns the local bakery.
C) Barnaby, a fluffy orange cat thinks he owns the local bakery.
D) Barnaby a fluffy orange cat thinks, he owns the local bakery.

2. Review the student's highly unusual excuse note for being late. Select ALL the sentences that use commas correctly.

Choose all options that apply.

Select all that apply.

A) A squirrel stole my homework, and it ran up a giant oak tree.
B) I chased the furry thief for ten minutes but couldn't catch it.
C) I tried to bribe it with a peanut, but failed miserably.
D) The squirrel looked at me and, it just laughed.

3. Choose the correctly punctuated sentence for a travel blogger's latest disaster post.

Select one.

A) Before we even reached the hotel my suitcase fell into a canal.
B) Before, we even reached the hotel my suitcase fell into a canal.
C) Before we even reached the hotel, my suitcase fell into a canal.
D) Before we even reached the hotel my suitcase, fell into a canal.

4. Complete the time traveler's frantic journal entry by choosing the correct punctuation for each gap.

When I arrived in _____ immediately bought a top hat.
However, I quickly _____ my time machine was out of battery.
Without my _____ had to actually ask people for directions!

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

A) 1892, I
B) 1892 I
C) 1892; I

Blank 2

A) panicked because
B) panicked, because
C) panicked; because

Blank 3

A) smartphone, I
B) smartphone I
C) smartphone; I

5. Help the slightly messy roommate leave a grammatically correct sticky note. Select the correctly punctuated sentence.

Select one.

- **A)** I washed the dishes, but I forgot to take out the trash.
- **B)** I washed the dishes but, I forgot to take out the trash.
- **C)** I washed the dishes but I forgot, to take out the trash.
- **D)** I washed the dishes, but, I forgot to take out the trash.

6. Help the travel blogger proofread her latest post about a chaotic morning. Select ALL the sentences that have perfect everyday comma usage.

Select all options that apply.

Select all that apply.

- **A)** Before I left for the airport, I packed my swimsuit, sunscreen, and sunglasses.
- **B)** I grabbed my passport, locked the door, and ran to the taxi.
- **C)** When I finally arrived at the gate I realized I forgot my ticket.
- **D)** My suitcase was full of shirts, pants and, shoes.

7. Help the frustrated roommate complete this text message by dragging the correctly punctuated words into the blanks.

I am begging you, _____ to finally clean up the living room. I just found three plates, two cups, and a dirty _____ hidden under the sofa cushions!

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- **A)** Dave
- **B)** Dave,
- **C)** Dave;

Blank 2

- **A)** fork,
- **B)** fork
- **C)** fork;

8. Help the desperate roommate select ALL the grammatically correct text messages to send.

Select all options that apply.

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- **A)** Yes, I fed the cat this morning.
- **B)** I fed the cat, Sarah, so please don't worry.
- **C)** Sarah I fed the cat already.
- **D)** Well I think he wants more food.

9. Help Sir Fluffington, the dramatic cat, complete his evening diary entry by dragging the correctly punctuated words into the blanks.

When the sun finally goes _____ I begin my nightly routine. I will first sprint down the _____ and then I will loudly demand a second dinner.

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- **A)** down
- **B)** down,
- **C)** down;

Blank 2

- **A)** hallway
- **B)** hallway,
- **C)** hallway;

10. Help the dramatic roommate complete their passive-aggressive note by selecting the correctly punctuated option for each gap.

I washed the _____ I expect you to dry them.
I also swept the _____ took out the trash while you were napping.

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- **A)** dishes, and
- **B)** dishes and
- **C)** dishes; and

Blank 2

- **A)** floor and
- **B)** floor, and
- **C)** floor; and