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# MODULE 1

## RW question 1

*The following text is adapted from Abraham Lincoln's last public address, given April 11, 1865.*

If this course of rejection, discouraging and paralyzing both white and black, has any tendency to bring Louisiana into proper practical relations with the Union, I have, so far, been unable to perceive it. If, on the contrary, we ***recognize***, and sustain the new government of Louisiana the converse of all this is made true. We encourage the hearts, and nerve the arms of the twelve thousand to adhere to their work, and argue for it, and proselyte for it, and fight for it, and feed it, and grow it, and ripen it to a complete success.

***As used in the text, what does the word "recognize" most nearly mean?***

A) identify
B) accept
C) realize
D) appreciate

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## RW question 2

An easy way to reduce energy consumption is to scale back the use of energy for nonessential activities. No energy source capable of _____ the needs of a large population will be entirely safe and free of destructive consequences. As citizens of the world, people need to be mindful of the effects of their actions and strive to reduce their energy footprint.

***Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?***

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A) obtaining B) supplying C) exhausting D) donating

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# RW question 3

In explaining the title of his historical account of multiculturalism and immigration, A Different Mirror, Ronald Takaki acknowledges that metaphorical “mirrors” have been _____ by earlier historians such as Carlos Fuentes (author of The Buried Mirror) and Barbara W. Tuchman (author of A Distant Mirror). Takaki’s analysis, however, is distinct in its expanded scope and intensified self-consciousness.

***Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?***

A) gathered
B) celebrated
C) utilized
D) eschewed

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# RW question 4

Explaining the coexistence of various plant and butterfly species is _____ to truly understanding the region’s biodiversity and the forces that sustain or reduce it. Such an understanding will help ecologists devise an appropriate plan that maximizes the limited funding available for conservation and that still allows for future development of the area.

***Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?***

A) critical
B) perilous
C) condemning
D) analytical

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# RW question 5

***The following text is from Charles Dickens's Hard Times, published in 1854.***

Thomas Gradgrind, sir. A man of realities. A man of facts and calculations. A man who proceeds upon the principle that two and two are four, and nothing over, and who is not to be talked into allowing for anything over. Thomas Gradgrind, sir—peremptorily Thomas—Thomas Gradgrind. With a rule and a pair of scales, and the multiplication table always in his pocket, sir, ready to weigh and measure any parcel of human nature, and tell you exactly what it comes to. It is a mere question of figures, a case of simple arithmetic.

**Which choice best states the main purpose of the text?**

A) To describe Gradgrind's favorite pastimes, personal interests, and passionately held beliefs
B) To characterize Gradgrind's serious and literal approach to life
C) To introduce the objects that Gradgrind constantly has on his person
D) To emphasize Gradgrind's feelings regarding arithmetic

# RW question 6

*The following text opens the "Preface" of Henry James's book of travel writing, A Little Tour in France, originally published in 1884.*

WE GOOD AMERICANS — I say it without presumption — are too apt to think that France is Paris, just as we are accused of being too apt to think that Paris is the celestial city. This is by no means the case . . . It had already been intimated to the author of these light pages that there are many good things in the doux pays de France* of which you get no hint in a walk between those ornaments of the capital; but the truth had been revealed only in quick-flashing glimpses, and he was conscious of a desire to look it well in

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the face.  To this end he started, one rainy morning in mid-September, for the charming little city of Tours, from which point it seemed possible to make a variety of fruitful excursions

**Which choice best describes the primary purpose of the text?**

A) To explain why the author intends to visit parts of France that are not as appreciated as Paris
B)  To detail the subtle differences between Paris and the countryside of France
C)  To express the author's opinion that Paris is highly overrated by Americans
D)  To tell the story of a writer's disappointing travels in Paris and his preference for his time spent in the countryside

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# RW question 7

*This text is adapted from Robert Louis Stevenson's 1877 short story "A Lodging for the Night," which is set in Paris in November of 1456.*

Villon and Guy Tabary were huddled together over a scrap of parchment; Villon making a ballad which he was to call the Ballad of Roast Fish, and Tabary spluttering admiration at his shoulder. The poet was a rag of a man, dark, little, and lean, with hollow cheeks and thin black locks. He carried his four-and-twenty years with feverish animation. Greed had made folds about his eyes, evil smiles had puckered his mouth.

**Which choice best states the main idea of the text?**

A) Villon has won Tabary's approval despite Villon's own sinister qualities.
B) Tabary and Villon's friendship is challenged by Tabary's higher moral standards.
C) Villon is in the process of implicating Tabary in a devious scheme.
D) Tabary is eager to compose poetry even though he is nervous about Villon's reaction.

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# RW question 8

*The following text is from Bret Harte's 1869 short story "The Indiscretion of Elsbeth." In this passage, an American tourist has lost his way while walking through a city in Germany and is trying to return to his hotel.*

This [area] had something of a public look, which suggested that his intrusion might be at least a pardonable trespass, and he relied, like most strangers, on the exonerating quality of a stranger's ignorance. The park lay in the direction he wished to go, and yet it struck him as singular that a park of such extent should be still allowed to occupy such valuable urban space. Indeed, its length seemed to be illimitable as he wandered on, until he became conscious that he must have again lost his way, and he diverged toward the only boundary, a high, thickset hedge to the right, whose line he had been following.

**Which choice best states the main idea of the text?**

A) The tourist discovers a vast yet empty portion of the city.
B) The city that the tourist visits is modern yet badly maintained.
C) The tourist's strategies for retracing his steps are purposeful yet illogical.
D) The tourist finds a specific urban area beautiful yet menacing.

# RW question 9

Because theater was often under fire from religious and political leaders, Shakespeare took the opportunity to show its value in his metatheatrical tragedy Hamlet. The couplet that sets up the climax of the play is actually an argument about the moral usefulness of drama: _____

Which choice most effectively uses a quotation from *Hamlet*to illustrate this claim?

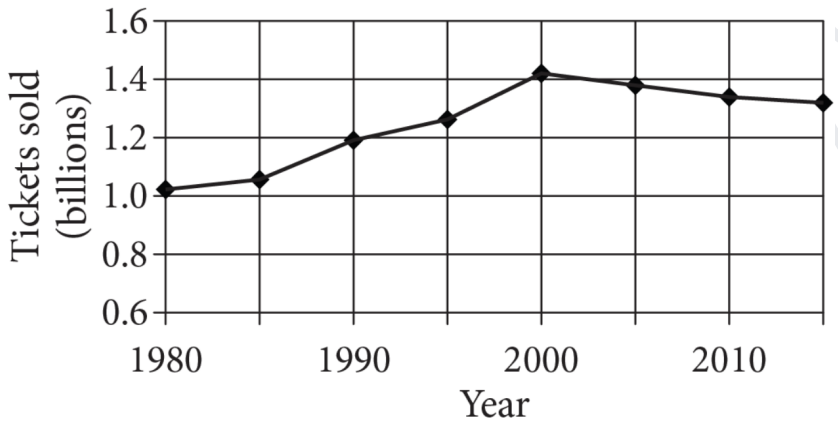
A) To be or not to be, that is the question."
B) "The play's the thing / Wherein I'll catch the conscience of the king."

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C) “An hour of quiet shortly shall we see, / Till then in patience our proceeding be.”
D) “The time is out of joint—O cursed spite, / That ever I was born to set it right!”

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# RW question 10




Although it is true that franchise movies make money for studios, which enables them to produce small-budget films, the age of the blockbuster has not been entirely positive for the movie industry. In fact, the overall attendance at the movies _____

**Which choice best describes data from the graph to complete the statement?**

A) decreased significantly each year from 1980 to 2015.
B) declined steadily from 2000 to 2015.
C) went up nearly 300 million from 1980 to 2015.
D) fluctuated wildly over the years from 1980 to 2015.

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# RW question 11

Tendons are tough tissues that connect muscle to bone. Strong tendons are valuable for many functions including jumping and running. Until recently, the proteins that control the creation of tendon tissue, called transcription factors, were unknown. Dr. Hiroshi Asahara identified a protein called MKX that is a central transcription factor for the health of tendons. Another protein, Piezo1, found on the surface of tendons, can stimulate the MKX transcription factor. Once this relationship was identified, Dr. Asahara used genetically engineered mice to investigate the role of Piezo1 in athletic performance. He found the mice with added Piezo1 proteins were able to jump 1.6 times farther and run 1.2 times faster than those without. Based on these results, Dr. Asahara claims that additional Piezo1 improves the functionality of tendons.

***Which statement, if true, would most directly support the scientist's claim?***

A) Piezo1 proteins functioned in both the muscles and tendons of the genetically engineered mice.
B) In the lab, MKX transcription factors have caused genes to create tendon tissue in the absence of Piezo1.
C) The muscle mass in the genetically engineered mice exhibited no changes.
D) MKX transcription factors have also been found to control genes that instruct the body to create neurons.

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# RW question 12

Making a new game requires many expenses and decisions that creators may not initially consider during development and playtesting. To publish a game, developers can contract with an established publisher, but then the publisher may get the rights to the game and retain most of the profits from its sale. Conversely, self-publishing a game is far riskier and costs more up front, but doing so has the potential for greater long-term profit in most cases. Thus, if developers have enough start-up money, _____

*Which one of the following most logically completes the argument?*

A) they should use it to pay an established publisher to maximize profits.

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B) they must also create a game that will attract an established publisher to give themselves more creative freedom.
C) they should consider publishing the game themselves to maximize their profits over the long term.
D) they will always make more money by publishing the game themselves

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# RW question 13

According to Stephen Hawking, Einstein's general theory of relativity suggests that the Big Bang singularity began space-time and that it will come to an end in a big crunch singularity. This theory gives the universe a beginning and ending as a space-time phenomenon, but this does not take quantum effects into account, which are negligible for most calculations. However, quantum effects cannot be ignored in understanding these singularities, so one cannot assume that Einstein's theoretical model holds. Thus, _____

***Which one of the following most logically completes the argument?***

A) the universe's beginning and ending can be understood by application of Einstein's theory.
B) we cannot safely conclude that these singularities are actually the boundaries of space-time in our universe.
C) quantum effects disprove Einstein's general theory of relativity.
D) quantum effects are not significant in understanding the origin of space-time in our universe.

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# RW question 14

Political stability in the Middle East has waxed and waned over the centuries, but reactions to political change have not always been constant. During the late 19th century and early 20th century, both the Iranian

Qajars and the Ottomans experienced constitutional _____ the ulema, or experts in sacred law, responded differently in each empire.

**Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?**

A) revolutions, however,
B) revolutions however
C) revolutions; however,
D) revolutions, however

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# RW question 15

Prior to the invention of the printing press, books were handwritten, a painstaking process that could take weeks and leave numerous errors. The invention of the modern printing press in Europe is attributed to Johannes Gutenberg, a fifteenth-century _____ the technology of moveable type in his workshop. Following this invention, book printing became increasingly standardized, thus significantly decreasing the time necessary to copy a book.

**Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?**

A) publisher. Developing
B) publisher, he developed
C) publisher developed
D) publisher who developed

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# RW question 16

In traditional high school policy debate, a judge's decision will likely be based on the competitors' mastery of the stock issues, including topicality, inherency, solvency, and others. In more modern policy _____ evaluation is more commonly based on the competing interpretations

framework.

**Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?**

A) debate including in college and elite high school tournaments,
B) debate, including in college and elite high school tournaments
C) debate—including in college and elite high school tournaments,
D) debate, including in college and elite high school tournaments,

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# RW question 17

The Newport Apples, widely considered the first bluegrass players to come to the United States from Australia, _____ incorporation of a uniquely Australian aboriginal instrument called the didgeridoo.

**Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?**

A) was unique for its
B) were unique for their
C) was unique for their
D) were unique for its

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# RW question 18

Ever since Mr. Smith became principal, his goal has been to improve school unity by _____ between students, encouraging collaboration among teachers, and hosting school-wide barbecues.

**Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?**

A) stronger bonds

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B) strong bonds
C) strengthening bonds
D) build strong bonds

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# RW question 19

Apparently irritated by people's criticism of the Paul Butterfield Band's decision to play electric blues, Bob Dylan shocked audiences at the 1965 Newport Folk Festival by performing with _____. While most of Dylan's fans preferred his earlier acoustic work, some viewed his newly displayed versatility as yet another positive aspect of his strong portfolio of musical performances.

**Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?**

A) an entirely electric rock band, playing mostly new songs
B) an entirely electric rock band was playing mostly new songs
C) an entirely, electric rock band and played mostly new songs
D) an entirely electric rock band, they played mostly new songs

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# RW question 20

The possibility for an artist to produce anti-establishment art under a totalitarian regime is severely limited: the impulse to create in conformity with the governmental authority _____ in the basic desire to survive.

**Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?**

A) lied
B) lies
C) lay
D) laying

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# RW question 21

Maintaining health record systems electronically can actually reduce errors through, among other things, cross-referencing drug information, which automatically warns doctors about potential adverse drug interactions. _____ at St. Louis General Hospital in Missouri, the frequency of the most serious medical errors declined by over 40 percent after the hospital began using electronic records.

**Which choice completes the text with the most logical transition?**

A) Additionally,
B) For example,
C) However,
D) Therefore,

# RW question 22

It may seem that all mosquitoes hate the human race, but in reality, only the females require blood to obtain a specific protein needed to produce eggs. Males do not drink blood. _____ even if they wanted to, they do not have the mouthparts to pierce skin. It turns out that mosquitoes get most of their energy from plant nectar and fruit.

**Which choice completes the text with the most logical transition?**

A) Therefore,
B) Finally,
C) In fact,
D) Namely,

# RW question 23

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Higher education has long been a respected field as professors have traditionally been seen as essential contributors to the vast store of thought and knowledge; they are also considered to be indispensable mentors and educators to young people entering their specific fields. _____ the reality of higher education in the 21st century has dramatically changed the position of "professor," and both students and professors are among those who suffer from the changing economics of higher education.

***Which choice completes the text with the most logical transition?***

A) Therefore,
B) However,
C) Thus,
D) Because,

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# RW question 24

Even though the sport originated from traditional martial arts in Japan, judo has spread around the world. _____ there are about 800,000 people who practice judo in France, which is four times greater than in Japan.

***Which choice completes the text with the most logical transition?***

A) Likewise,
B) In fact,
C) Nevertheless,
D) Accordingly,

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# RW question 25

While researching a topic, a student has taken the following notes:

> *The Red Sea tonguesole is a species of tonguefish that lives in the Red Sea.*

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*It migrated through the Suez Canal to the Mediterranean Sea in the 20th century.*

*It usually grows to about half a foot in length.*

*The phylum Chordata, of which Red Sea tonguesole is a member, includes all vertebrate species.*

*It has a rounded snout, separated eyes, and numerous scales.*

*The student wants to describe a link between the Red Sea tonguesole and some other animals unrelated to geographic location. Which choice most effectively uses relevant information from the notes to accomplish this goal?*

A) The Red Sea tonguesole has lived within the Mediterranean Sea for decades.
B) Although native to the Red Sea, the Red Sea tonguesole is dwarfed by many larger fish that share its habitat.
C) All organisms with a vertebra are members of the phylum Chordata, which includes the Red Sea tonguesole.
D) The Red Sea tonguesole has been successfully observed in both Egypt and Turkey.

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# RW question 26

While researching a topic, a student has taken the following notes:

KMTR is a television station based in Eugene, Oregon, owned by Roberts Media, LLC.

It maintains facilities in Springfield, Oregon, and has agreements to share capacity with KTCW and KMBC.

It was initially formed to replace a former NBC affiliate that had begun replacing NBC prime time broadcasts with those of rival CBS.

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It has broadcasted from October 4, 1982, through the present.

KMTR changed ownership in 1995 when it was purchased by New York City-based Wicks Broadcast Group, and again in 2012 when it was acquired by Roberts Media.

The student wants to provide a brief description of the age of the KMTR station. Which choice most effectively uses relevant information from the notes to accomplish this goal?

A) KMTR has operated continuously for over 40 years despite multiple changes in ownership.

B) KMTR is a primetime network affiliate of NBC, a media corporation.

C) KMTR was founded on October 4th in Springfield, Oregon.

D) KMTR is a Roberts Media company that specializes in NBC affiliate programming after being purchased in 2012.

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# RW question 27

A student has taken the following notes on the history and effectiveness of the polio vaccine in the United States:

*Paralytic poliomyelitis is commonly called polio.*

*More than 20,000 cases per year of polio were reported in the 1950s.*

*Vaccines were developed in 1950 but were not approved in the US.*

*Jonas Salk introduced an inactive (non-living) vaccine in 1955, approved for use in the US.*

*Case numbers dropped dramatically with widespread use of the vaccine.*

*Within 10 years, there were almost no cases in the US; the last case was reported in 1979.*

The student wants to convey the effectiveness of the polio vaccine in the US

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by using supporting details. Which choice most effectively uses relevant information from the notes to accomplish this goal?

A) Paralytic poliomyelitis (popularly called polio) used to be a serious disease in the US, but now it is not much of a problem.
B) After reaching a peak of over 20,000 cases per year during the 1950s, the introduction of a polio vaccine in the US in 1955 reduced cases dramatically, almost eliminating the disease in just ten years.
C) Though a vaccine was available in 1950, the US did not approve a polio vaccine until 1955, and the disease thus continued in the US until 1979.
D) The polio vaccine—the inactive version introduced by Jonas Salk in 1955—has proven effective against the disease in the US.

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# Answers

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| 1. B | 10. B | 19. A |
| 2. B | 11. C | 20. B |
| 3. C | 12. C | 21. B |
| 4. A | 13. B | 22. C |
| 5. B | 14. C | 23. B |
| 6. A | 15. D | 24. B |
| 7. A | 16. D | 25. C |
| 8. A | 17.B | 26. A |
| 9. B | 18.C | 27. B |

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