WRITING CENTER PRACTICE TEST ANSWER KEY - SPRING CONVENTIONS 1-4

Spring Conventions Test Answer Key

Conventions One

Questions 1 - 10

(Incorrect element + type of error)

- 1. affected (tense shift)
- 2. Hardly no (double negative)
- 3. slightly (needs adjective/not adverb)
- 4. who (creates fragment)
- 5. encounters (subj./verb agr.)
- 6. you (shift/noun-pronoun agr.)
- 7. decreased (tense error)
- 8. him (pronoun case)
- 9. most cheapest (double superlative)
- 10. rang (verb form error)

Questions 11 - 20

(Correct answer + error)

- 11. B (pronoun error with "it")
- 12. D (parallel structure)
- 13. C (parallel structure)
- 14. B (comparative/superlative confusion)
- 15. C (reduce wordiness)
- 16. D (double negative)
- 17. B (parallel structure)
- 18. A (correct subord. to reduce wordiness)
- 19. C (faulty coordination)
- 20. B (tense error)

Conventions Two

Questions 1 - 10

(Incorrect element + error)

- 1. popularest (double superlative)
- 2. rapid (needs adverb)
- 3. causes (subj./verb agr.)
- 4. couldn't (double negative)
- 5. falls (tense shift)
- 6. they (noun/pro. agr.)
- 7. him (pronoun case)
- 8. you (noun/pronoun agr.)

- 9. hanged (verb form)
- 10. had (tense error)

Questions 11 - 20

(Correct answer + error)

- 11. A (correct superlative)
- 12. B (parallel structure)
- 13. C (faulty coordination)
- 14. C (noun/pronoun agr.)
- 15. D (fragment)
- 16. B (parallel structure)
- 17. D (noun/pronoun agr.)
- 18. A (parallel structure)
- 19. C (faulty coordination)
- 20. B (double negative)

Conventions Three

Part I.

(Incorrect element)

- 1. the largest
- 2. most loveliest
- 3. their
- 4. he or she
- 5. would be
- 6. as
- 7. you
- 8. did
- 9. went
- 10. sang

Part II

(Correct answer)

- 11. C
- 12. B
- 13. D
- 14. C
- 15. A
- 16. D
- 17. B
- 18. A
- 19. C
- 20. D

Conventions Four

Part I.

(Incorrect element)

- 1. me
- 2. plans
- 3. has
- 4. had ran
- 5. who
- 6. full
- 7. unfavorable
- 8. her
- 9. evolved (should be "revolved")
- 10. with (should be "and")

Part II.

(Correct answer + error)

- 11. C (double negative)
- 12. B (weak coordination)
- 13. B (needs parallel structure)
- 14. C (wordy to effective sub.)
- 15. D (weak coord.)
- 16. B (wordy, weak coord)
- 17. D (weak coord.)
- 18. A (has correct parallel structure)
- 19. B (needs superlative)
- 20. C (weak coord. to effective sub.)