

WRITING CENTER PRACTICE TEST ANSWER KEY - FALL CONVENTIONS

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Fall Conventions Test Answer Key

Conventions One

Part I.

(Error + explanation)

1. was built (tense)
2. no (double negative)
3. who (fragment)
4. previous (needs adverb)
5. me (case)
6. received (tense)
7. were (subject-verb agreement)
8. they (pronoun number agreement)
9. affected (tense)
10. most (double superlative)

Part II

1. D (parallel structure)
2. B (fragment from weak coordination)
3. C (tense)
4. C (weak coordination)
5. C (wordy)
6. B (parallel structure)
7. C (no antecedent for "it")
8. D (tense)
9. B (double negative)
10. B (tense)

Conventions Two

Part I.

(Error + explanation)

1. most hardest (double superlative)
2. flow (tense)
3. would (tense)
4. no (double negative)
5. me (case)
6. accurate (need adverb)
7. shows (subject verb agreement)
8. require (tense)

9. their (pronoun number agreement)
10. rebutting (fragment)

Part II

1. A (parallel structure)
2. D (wordy)
3. A (parallel structure)
4. D (tense)
5. B (double negative)
6. C (wordy and parallel structure)
7. B (fragment)
8. C (fragment to effective subordination)
9. C (tense)
10. D (weak coordination to effective subordination)

Conventions Three

Part I.

(Incorrect element + error)

1. you (pronoun # agreement)
2. has (subject/verb agreement)
3. it (pronoun # agreement)
4. shortest (need comparative)
5. will (tense)
6. sprang (tense)
7. were (subject/verb agreement)
8. him or her (pronoun # agreement)
9. seeking (fragment)
10. no (double negative)

Part II

(Correct answer + error)

1. D (weak coordination creates fragment)
2. A
3. B (parallel structure)
4. C (tense)
5. D (weak coord. to subordination)
6. B (fragment)
7. D (weak coord. to effective sub)
8. C (double negative)
9. C (wordy, need parallel structure)
10. A Conventions Four

Conventions Four

Part I.

(Incorrect element + error)

1. is (subj/verb agr.)
2. regular (needs adverb)
3. sung (tense)
4. healthiest (needs comparative)
5. ignores (subj./verb agr.)
6. not (double negative)
7. her (pronoun case)
8. it (pronoun # agr.)
9. stop (tense shift)
10. you (pronoun shift)

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.)