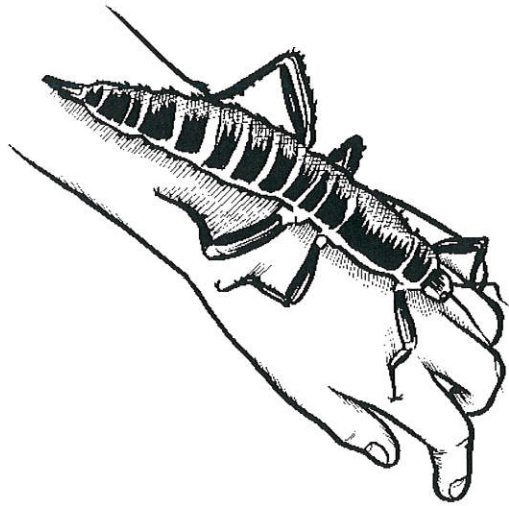


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Read the selection, and choose the best answer to each question.

Wanda wrote about a special insect. Read Wanda's paper, and think about how it should be revised. Then answer the questions that follow.



The Return of the Mighty Tree Lobster

(1) From time to time, an animal species goes extinct. (2) That means that the last living member of the species dies. (3) Sometimes, though, nature surprises us. (4) Rarely, people find an animal that was thought to be extinct. (5) Also called the Lord Howe Island stick insect, this happened with Australia's tree lobster. (6) With hard work, this creepy, crawly bug has been brought back from the dead.

(7) This stick insect makes quite an impression. (8) It is huge, about six inches long. (9) It looks like a long black stick. (10) Some people thought it looked like a lobster. (11) They called it a tree lobster. (12) This stick insect was thought to be found only on Lord Howe Island.

(13) In 1918, a ship wrecked on the island. (14) Rats on the ship came ashore (15) They made new homes on the island. (16) The rats found the tree lobsters to be quite tasty. (17) By 1920, they had eaten every stick insect on Lord Howe Island. (18) Scientists feared the giant bug was gone forever.

(19) Then, in 2001 an amazing thing happened. (20) Scientists scaled a steep mountain called Ball's Pyramid. (21) They found traces of a large insect under a bush on the side of the mountain. (22) They thought it might be the home of a tree lobster, but they could not be sure. (23) They knew tree lobsters came out only at night. (24) That meant the scientists would have to climb the dangerous mountain at night to see if they had found a stick insect home. (25) They risked their lives to climb the mountain in the dark, but they found what they hoped to see: twenty-four tree lobsters living under the bush. (26) The bugs were not extinct after all!

(27) In 2003, scientists took four of the stick insects. (28) They wanted to see if they could be protected. (29) Two of them died, but two lived. (30) These two living bugs made many eggs. (31) The stick insects have been bred since then. (32) Today, there are over seven hundred of them. (33) The pair of insects, named Adam and Eve, were taken to a zoo.

(34) People once thought the Lord Howe Island stick insect was gone for good. (35) Now, they hope to move some of them back to Lord Howe Island after being gone for almost one hundred years.

- 1 What is the **best** way to rewrite the ideas in sentence 5?
- A This, also called the Lord Howe Island stick insect, happened with Australia's tree lobster.
 - B Australia's tree lobster, also called the Lord Howe Island stick insect, happened with it.
 - C It is also called the Lord Howe Island stick insect, but this happened with Australia's tree lobster.
 - D This happened with Australia's tree lobster, which is also called the Lord Howe Island stick insect.
- 2 What is the **best** way to combine sentences 10 and 11?
- F Some people thought it looked like a lobster, so they called it a tree lobster.
 - G Although some people thought it looked like a lobster, they called it a tree lobster.
 - H Some people thought it looked like and called it a lobster and a tree lobster.
 - J Some people thought it looked like a lobster, or they called it a tree lobster.
- 3 Wanda wants to add a topic sentence to the third paragraph (sentences 13-18). Which of these sentences would be the **best** topic sentence for this paragraph?
- A Though the tree lobster is big, it is not the biggest insect in the world.
 - B Lord Howe Island is in between Australia and New Zealand, surrounded by the Tasman Sea.
 - C Australia is known for being home to many unusual animals, like kangaroos, koalas, and emus.
 - D Though tree lobsters had lived on the island for centuries, things changed quickly for the worse in the early 1900s.

4 Wanda wants to move sentence 33 to improve the organization of her paper. Where is the **best** place to move sentence 33?

F before sentence 27

G before sentence 29

H before sentence 30

J before sentence 32

5 Wanda wants to insert the following sentence into her paper.

The mountain, which is near Lord Howe Island, rises straight out of the sea.

What is the **best** place to insert this sentence?

A after sentence 19

B after sentence 20

C after sentence 23

D after sentence 25

6 Wanda wants to add a final sentence to this paper to make her conclusion stronger. What is the **best** final sentence to add to the end of this paper?

F Ball's Pyramid is a type of mountain called a sea stack, and it was formed over seven million years ago.

G Thanks to some brave people, these fascinating insects may be around for a long time to come.

H That is the end of my paper on the Lord Howe Island stick insect, and I hope you enjoyed reading it.

J Another animal that scientists wrongly thought was extinct is the painted frog, which lives in Colombia.

Read the selection, and choose the best answer to each question.

Margeaux wrote this letter about her goals in the future. She would like you to read her letter and look for any edits she needs to make. When you finish reading, answer the questions that follow.

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2 Dear Shawna

3 Thank you very much for the sweet card you sent me. I have been
4 thinking about you lately. Do you remember when we used to talk about
5 what we wanted to be when we grew up. I just found out about a job
6 that sounds very neat. I think that when I grow up, I would like to be a
7 sports therapist. Sports therapists help athletes stay healthy. They treat
8 their injuries. They also help athletes while they recover.

9 One of the main jobs of a sports therapist is to keep athletes from getting
10 hurt. A sports therapist shows athletes how to do stretches to keep from
11 pulling a muscle. He or she shows athletes how to do exercises to stay in
12 shape. He or she can also help the athletes get the pads and braces they
13 need to protect themselves.

14 Of course, from time to time, a sports player gets hurt in spite all of all
15 this. The sports therapist can help with the injury. The therapist can
16 run tests to see how badly the player is hurt. Then the sports therapist can
17 help the player heal. He or she can treat the injury. The therapist can show
18 the player how to care for the injury, too.

19 If a player is badly hurt or if he or she has to have surgery, a sports
20 therapist can help the player recover. This process is called rehabilitation, or
21 rehab. During rehab, a player might need to exercise a certain way. He or
22 she might need to eat special foods. He or she might need to do other things
23 to get well fast. The sports therapist can help the player do all these
24 things.

25 Every pro team have a sports therapist to help its players stay healthy
26 and recover fast. Shawna, you know how much I love sports. Being a sports
27 therapist would let me be part of the world of pro sports. I'd also get to help
28 people at the same time. I think it would be a great job

29 Please let me know what you think about my new plan. I'd like to know
30 what you think. Write me back soon.

31 your friend,

32 Margeaux

7 What change, if any, should be made in line 1?

- A change ***March*** to **march**
- B change ***March*** to **Martch**
- C add a comma after **18**
- D make no change

- 8 What change, if any, should be made in line 2?
- F change *Dear* to *Dere*
 - G add a comma after *Dear*
 - H add a comma after *Shawna*
 - J make no change
- 9 What change should be made in the underlined sentence in lines 4 and 5?
- A change *Do* to *Does*
 - B change *remember* to *remembr*
 - C change *what* to *What*
 - D change the period after *up* to a question mark
- 10 What change should be made in the underlined sentence in lines 9 and 10?
- F change *One* to *Won*
 - G change *jobs* to *job's*
 - H change *is* to *are*
 - J change *geting* to *getting*
- 11 What change, if any, should be made in the underlined sentence in lines 25 and 26?
- A change *have* to *has*
 - B change *its* to *it's*
 - C change *healthy* to *health*
 - D make no change

12 What change should be made in line 31?

- F change *your* to **Your**
- G change *your* to **you're**
- H change *friend* to **frend**
- J delete the comma after *friend*

Look at the picture below.



Watching movies can make us feel good.

Write about a time when you saw a funny movie, and tell how it made you feel.

Be sure to —

- write about a personal experience
- organize your writing
- develop your ideas in detail
- choose your words carefully
- use correct spelling, capitalization, punctuation, grammar, and sentences

READ the information in the box below.

A famous thinker from Greece, Epictetus, once said, "Only the educated are free."

THINK about how learning makes us free.

WRITE about how education and learning helps people be free.

Be sure to —

- clearly state your central idea
- organize your writing
- develop your writing in detail
- choose your words carefully
- use correct spelling, capitalization, punctuation, grammar, and sentences