



Grade 7 Revising and Editing

2020 Sample Selections and Test Questions

Set 1

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(7) ÍHck UVci h [c]b[hc Hcbm~~U~~g D]nnYf]U hcb][\h?í gi [[YghYX M]_UmU~~U~~g dad k]h\ U [f]b. (8) ÍGi fY`mgca YcbY Uh h\Y

1 What change should be made in sentence 3?

- A Insert a comma after *fist*
- B Change *then* to than
- C Change *spins* to spun
- D Change *it* to them

2 What is the correct way to write sentence 6?

- F M]_UmUd dUfYbhg gi fj YmYX h\Y a Yggm_]hWYb k \Yb h\YmUff]j YX home, although they were surprised. They were not upset, about her attempt to make pizza for dinner.
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4 What change, if any, should be made in sentence 3?

F Change *could learn* to could have learned

G Insert a comma after *travel*

H Change *Solar System* to solar system

J No change is needed.

5 What is the correct way to write sentence 7?

A Space Center Houston has activities that our whole family enjoyed.

B Space Center Houston has activities that our whole family will enjoy.

C Space Center Houston has activities that our whole family have been enjoying.

D Space Center Houston has activities that our whole family had enjoyed.

6 What change should be made in sentence 9?

F Change *If* to Unless

G Change *us* to them

H Change *are* to is

J Change *fascinating* to fasinating

REVISING

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Rose wrote a letter to her school newspaper expressing her opinion about the benefits of taking a martial-arts class. Read Rose's letter and look for any revisions she needs to make. When you finish reading, answer the questions that follow.

The Benefits of Martial Arts

Dear Students,

(1) I have a cell phone. (2) Health experts tell us that we need to exercise for at least an hour a day, but tearing ourselves away from our electronic devices can be hard. (3) Playing a team sport is one way to get this exercise. (4) Not every kid wants to join a team. (5) For anyone who wants a fun, healthy way to exercise at his or her own pace, I have a suggestion: take a martial-arts class! (6) Learning and practicing self-defense can help improve your physical fitness, mental focus, self-discipline, and social skills.

(7) I know from experience that studying martial arts can help you improve your physical fitness. (8) When my parents, at age seven, insisted I get off the computer. (9) After practicing the kicking, punching, and blocking drills in karate. (10) I practiced every week to get my heart

(19) The longer people train in martial arts, the better they become at self-discipline. (20) They learn that self-discipline and determination are needed to advance in martial arts. (21) By really pushing themselves to improve, people learn to conquer self-doubt. (22) This determination can even lead to better grades and VY\Uj]cf Uh gWcc`. (23) C bY ghi Xm fYj YU`YX h\Uh ghi XYbhgDVY\avior in school improved after they attended just 10 weeks of martial-arts training thanks to its emphasis on self-discipline.

(24) Studying martial arts has social benefits too. (25) Instructors stress the importance of respecting others, and respect is the basis for any successful relationship. (26) Also, martial-arts classes are often filled with students of all ages and backgrounds. (27) I think martial arts is the best sport because many people can practice it together. (28) Participants will have a chance to develop new friendships while learning new skills in a supportive environment.

(29) Learning to master martial arts takes effort and dedication, but the benefits are countless. (30) Improved physical fitness, mental focus, self-discipline, and social skills are just a few of the many benefits the martial arts have to offer. (31) And, you can practice on your own time, at your own pace, in the comfort of your home.

Sincerely,

Rose

7 What is the MOST effective way for Rose to combine sentences 3 and 4?

- A Playing a team sport is one way to get this exercise, so not every kid wants to join a team.
- B Playing a team sport is one way to get this exercise, and not every kid wants to join a team.

10 Which word would be a more precise word to use than *really* in sentence 21?

F actually

G quickly

H honestly

J constantly

11 Which sentence in paragraph 3 (lines 42-49) is explained by the information in paragraph 2 (lines 18-20)?

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1 What change should be made in sentence 2?

- A Change *Chef Luciano* to chefLuciano
- B Change *toss* to tosses
- C Delete the semicolon after *dough*
- D Insert a comma after *it*

2 What change, if any, should be made in sentence 4?

- F Change *Otherwise* to Unfortunately
- G Change

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(6) I know from experience that studying martial arts can help you improve your physical fitness. (7) I began taking karate at age seven when my parents signed me up. (8) After a few weeks, I was able to start sparring. (9) I spent a week to get my heat pumping and at striking foam pads with my hands to help improve my technique. (10) My instructor paid for, and I eventually worked my way up to taekwondo rank of brown belt. (11) I love feeling stronger and knowing that I can defend myself if necessary.

(18) In martial arts, they become better at self-discipline the longer people train. (19) They learn that self-discipline and determination are needed to advance in martial arts. (20) By constantly pushing themselves to improve, people learn to conquer self-doubt. (21) This determination can even lead to better grades and behavior at school. (22) C bY ghi XmfYj YU`YX h\Uh ghi XYbhgDVY\Uj]cf]b gV\cc` improved after they attended just 10 weeks of martial-arts training thanks to its emphasis on self-discipline.

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7 Which sentence should replace sentence 5 to provide a more effective claim at the end of the introductory paragraph?

- A Learning and practicing self-defense can help improve your physical fitness, mental focus, self-discipline, and social skills.
- B You might find that learning and practicing self-defense is more fun and rewarding than spending time using electronic devices.
- C Health experts would probably agree that learning and practicing self-defense is a great way to get in shape and learn new skills.
- D When you are learning and practicing self-defense, an hour a day does not seem like a lot of time to spend exercising.

8 Rose wants to add another detail to help support the ideas in the second paragraph (sentences 6–11). Which sentence should replace sentence 10 to accomplish this goal?

- F There were very few kids my age who attend karate daily.
- G My parents were happy that I made so many friends in karate class.
- H I did not realize kids my age could earn such high ranks in a martial-arts class.
- J I have become stronger, faster, and better coordinated than I was when I first started.

9 Which transition is the BEST transition to add at the beginning of sentence 16?

- A Additionally
- B As a result
- C Later
- D In other words

10 What is the BEST way to revise sentence 18 to make the meaning more clear?

- F The people that become better at self-discipline, they train in martial arts longer.
- G The people that train in martial arts become better at self-discipline longer.
- H The longer people train, they become better at self-discipline in martial arts.
- J The longer people train in martial arts, the better they become at self-discipline.

11 Rose would like to use a more precise word than *large* in sentence 27. Which word would be a more effective word to use in this sentence?

- A heavy
- B countless
- C limited
- D grand

