

Beginning Paragraph Correction 1

Directions: Read the passage below. Then answer questions about errors in the passage.

My name is 1) Jay Hammond I am a firefighter. 2) I live in 128 Pine Lane, in Jackson, Mississippi. 3) I have two childs. One is a girl named Clair. 4) The other 5) is boy named Thatcher. 6) His name after my father. I also have a wife named Jenna. She is 7) beutiful. She has long, dark, soft hair. 8) We also got a dog named Buck. He is very obedient but sometimes he barks at night and it upsets our neighbors!

1)

- A. Jay. Hammond I am
- B. Jay Hammond. I am
- C. Jay Hammond I'm
- D. Jay Hammond, I am

2)

- A. on 128 Pine Lane, on
- B. in 128 Pine Lane, on
- C. at 128 Pine Lane, in
- D. in 128 Pine, Lane in

3)

- A. two child
- B. two children
- C. two childrens
- D. Correct as is

4)

- A. Other
- B. Another
- C. The another
- D. Correct as is

5)

- A. is boy name
- B. is boy of name
- C. is a boy named
- D. is a boy who name

6)

- A. He is named after
- B. He has name from
- C. His name is same
- D. He is same named

7)

- A. butiful
- B. beautyful
- C. beautiful
- D. beautifull

8)

- A. got dog named Buck.
- B. got a dog name Buck.
- C. got dog name of Buck.
- D. have a dog named Buck.

Beginning Paragraph Correction 2

Directions: Read the passage below. Then answer questions about errors in the passage.

1) This morning, I were making toast for 2) brekfast. Then I went to the basement
3) put some clothes in the washer. I heard the smoke alarm. 4) I think, "Someone is
burning 5) something I put the soap in the washer. When I got 6) up to stairs, everybody
was running outdoors. Two fire trucks and a police car were outside of my house. Smoke
was coming out of my apartment! My kids 7) standing outside. They were 8) weering
their pajamas. My kids! Oh no! My toast!

- 1)
A. are
B. is
C. was
D. Correct as is

- 2)
A. brakfast
B. breckfast
C. breakfast
D. breackfast

- 3)
A. to put
B. for put
C. to puts
D. for putting

- 4)
A. Thinked
B. I thinked
C. I thought
D. I am thought

- 5)
A. something! I
B. something!" I
C. something"! I
D. something"? I

- 6)
A. upstairs
B. to upstairs
C. the upstairs
D. Correct as is

- 7)
A. was standing
B. are standing
C. were stand
D. were standing

- 8)
A. waring
B. wareing
C. wearing
D. Correct as is

Beginning Paragraph Correction 3

Directions: Read the passage below. Then answer questions about errors in the passage.

My name is Thomas Martin. I live 1) in a farm near Cedar Rapids, Iowa.
 2) I raises livestock and grow corn on my farm. My 3) kid help me. 4) In the morning, we
 5) up very early to feed the animals. 6) Everybody help milk the cows. Then I drive the
 kids to school. I work in 7) the fields all the day. When the children come 8) home, we all
 work together.

1)

- A. in farm
- B. on farm
- C. on a farm
- D. Correct as is

2)

- A. raise
- B. raising
- C. raised
- D. Correct as is

3)

- A. children
- B. child
- C. kids
- D. All of the above are correct
- E. Both A and B are correct
- F. Both A and C are correct

4)

- A. In morning,
- B. In a morning,
- C. On the morning,
- D. Correct as is

5)

- A. all up very early
- B. wake up very early
- C. are waking up very early
- D. Correct as is

6)

- A. Everyone helps
- B. Everybody helps
- C. All of the above are correct
- D. None of the above are correct

7)

- A. the fields during day.
- B. the fields all day.
- C. the fields day.
- D. Correct as is

8)

- A. home we all
- B. home, us all
- C. home, we are all
- D. Correct as is

Intermediate Paragraph Correction 1

Directions: Read the passage below. Then answer questions about errors in the passage.

1) Well, its another rainy day. I wonder what 2) I will do? First, I think I'll take a walk around the 3) neyborhood to stretch my legs. 4) Second I'll cook a big breakfast 5) with toast fruit eggs and bacon. After that, I might mow my 6) lawn; it's getting pretty long. I'm not sure what I'll do after that. I guess I should go see my mother. I think she wants me to go grocery shopping with her. I have no idea why she can't just go by 7) her self. Or, better still, she could ask my dad to go with her! I doubt he will want to go with her though. He 8) doesn't like going to the grocery store as much as I do!

- 1)
 A. Well, it was
 B. Well, it isn't
 C. Well, it's
 D. Correct as is

- 2)
 A. I would do?
 B. will I do?
 C. I will do.
 D. Correct as is

- 3)
 A. neighborhood
 B. neighborhood
 C. nayberhood
 D. nayborhood
 E. Correct as is

- 4)
 A. Second will I
 B. Second, I'll
 C. Second I'm gonna
 D. Correct as is

- 5)
 A. with toast and fruit and eggs and bacon.
 B. with toast, fruit, eggs, and bacon.
 C. with toast, fruit, eggs and bacon.
 D. Both B and C are correct.
 E. Correct as is

- 6)
 A. lawn? It's
 B. lawn: it's
 C. lawn! It's
 D. Correct as is

- 7)
 A. themselves
 B. itself
 C. herself
 D. Correct as is

- 8)
 A. dislikes
 B. enjoys
 C. likes
 D. Correct as is

Intermediate Paragraph Correction 2

Directions: Read the passage below. Then answer questions about errors in the passage.

Jaime 1) been applying for full-time jobs for several months. 2) The last week he received a call from the Human Resources director at a computer software 3) company the HR director asked Jaime 4) could he fly to Chicago for a job interview. The company offered to pay for Jaime's plane ticket to Chicago, so that he will not have to pay for it himself. Jamie agreed to come for the interview.

Since then, Jaime has been busy collecting 5) informaton about the company. He also went shopping for a new 6) suite. Jaime and his wife have been rehearsing answers to possible interview questions, so that Jaime will be 7) good and ready his best. Jaime is nervous about the interview, but 8) his looking forward to working at a new place.

1)

- A. have been applying
- B. has been applying
- C. have applying
- D. has applied

2)

- A. Last week
- B. On last week
- C. The week last
- D. Both A and C are correct.

3)

- A. company, The
- B. company - the
- C. company. The
- D. company! The

4)

- A. if he could fly
- B. if could he fly
- C. whether he could fly
- D. Both A and C are correct.

5)

- A. informates
- B. information
- C. imformation
- D. informashun
- E. Correct as is

6)

- A. suit.
- B. siut.
- C. suet.
- D. sewt.

7)

- A. good.
- B. smart and ready.
- C. prepared.
- D. studious.
- E. Correct as is

8)

- A. he's
- B. he is
- C. he will be
- D. Both A and B are correct.

Intermediate Paragraph Correction 3

Directions: Read the passage below. Then answer questions about errors in the passage.

I've had a terrible cold 1) about several days. I've been blowing my nose, sneezing, and coughing. 2) I'm been eating chicken soup and drinking orange juice for a couple days. I've been taking aspirin and 3) coffe sirrup since the weekend. I've been at home watching TV 4) for Monday. I've talked 5) my mother on the phone every day of the 6) week, I've watched every bad movie that came on the TV. I wonder 7) I'll well again. I wonder when I can go back to work. I'm 8) tired of the cough, sneezing, and complaining!

- 1)
A. for several days.
B. for days several.
C. during several days.
D. for a few days.
E. Both A and D are correct
F. Correct as is

- 2)
A. I've eating
B. I'm being eating
C. I've been eating
D. I've being eaten
E. I be eating

- 3)
A. coff sirup
B. cofe syrup
C. cough syrup
D. couhgh syrup
E. Correct as is

- 4)
A. by
B. during
C. since
D. once
E. Correct as is

- 5)
A. to my mother
B. for my mother
C. while my mother
D. about my mother
E. Correct as is
F. Both A and C are correct.

- 6)
A. week. I've
B. week: I've
C. week; I've
D. week - I've
E. Correct as is

- 7)
A. when I'll get well again.
B. when I'll well again.
C. when I would get well.
D. whenever I'll get well again.
E. Correct as is

- 8)
A. tired of a cough
B. tired of coughing
C. tired for coughing
D. tired about coughing
E. Correct as is

Advanced Paragraph Correction 1

Directions: Read the passage below. Then answer questions about errors in the passage.

“To be, or not to be...that is the 1) question” This 2) wellknown utterance has been the source of both mystery and wonderment for students around the world since the turn of the 16th century—arguably the zenith of Shakespeare’s creative output. However, the mere ubiquity of this phrase fails to answer some basic questions about 3) it’s rather context. Where did it come 4) from what does it mean? The 5) first of these questions (where does it come from?) can be answered fairly easily: from Shakespeare’s famous play *Hamlet*. 6) As for the last of the two questions, a complete answer would require a more 7) deep 8) look at Shakespearean culture and nuance.

- 1)
 A. question?”
 B. question”?
 C. question.”
 D. question”.
 E. question,”
 F. Correct as is

- 2)
 A. well known
 B. well-known
 C. widely-known
 D. Correct as is

- 3)
 A. it is
 B. its
 C. a
 D. the
 E. Correct as is

- 4)
 A. from? What
 B. from or what
 C. from, what
 D. from? And what

- 5)
 A. first of these questions
 B. first interrogative
 C. primary
 D. first one
 E. Correct as is

- 6)
 A. As for the former question,
 B. As for the latter question,
 C. As for the second one of the two,
 D. Correct as is

- 7)
 A. in-depth
 B. deeper
 C. extended
 D. serious

- 8)
 A. conversation on
 B. investigation of
 C. thought about
 D. talk about

Advanced Paragraph Correction 2

Directions: Read the passage below. Then answer questions about errors in the passage.

My stepmother is the 1) jenealogist of the family. She maintains records of births, deaths, marriages, and divorces. She takes the job 2) real serious. She sends missives to the family 3) whoever something noteworthy occurs. We recently had a bulletin about 4) the demise of the relative during the Civil War— which transpired a century-and-a-half ago. This ancestor apparently bequeathed his old earthly possessions (some 5) beautiful and antique furniture) to his progeny, who in turn bequeathed their goods to their descendants. My husband's great-grandfather, 6) his mother's father, has recently inherited some of this 7) beautiful antique furniture. My husband wonders if he will one day pass heirlooms on to his progeny. 8) If yes, we may inherit some new furniture, and my stepmother will have even more to keep track of!

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| 1) | 5) |
| A. genealogist | A. beautiful, but antique |
| B. jeneologist | B. beautiful antique |
| C. genealegist | C. beautiful or antique |
| D. Correct as is | D. Correct as is |
| 2) | 6) |
| A. very serious. | A. his mother's father's father, |
| B. real seriously. | B. the father of his father's father, |
| C. really serious. | C. the mother of his father's father, |
| D. very seriously. | D. Both A and B could be correct |
| E. Correct as is | |
| 3) | 7) |
| A. whether | A. pedestrian |
| B. whenever | B. dynamic |
| C. whatever | C. deleterious |
| D. Both A and C are correct | D. antiquated |
| E. Both A and B are correct | E. exquisite |
| 4) | 8) |
| A. a demise of the relative | A. If so, |
| B. the demise of a relative | B. If not, |
| C. a relative's demise | C. This way, |
| D. Both B and C are correct | D. If true, |
| E. Both A and B are correct | E. Correct as is |

Advanced Paragraph Correction 3

Directions: Read the passage below. Then answer questions about errors in the passage.

Edward Murphy was a member of an Air Force team that performed complicated experiments during the 1) 1940s his work required much preparation and perfect execution. Murphy has become renowned for 2) “Murphys’ Law,” which states that “if anything can go 3) wrong it will.” This 4) somewhat funny observation has spawned a plethora of 5) corrollaries, such as Hofstadter’s Law: “It always takes longer than you expect, even when you take Hofstadter's Law into account.” 6) These smart comments on the perceived perversity of daily life have been published in 7) several books. Some of the volumes are general in 8) scope; some pertain to technical careers in aerospace or professional areas such as medicine or law.

- 1)
 A. 1940’s, his
 B. 1940s. His
 C. 1940s! His
 D. 1940’s – his
 E. Correct as is

- 5)
 A. corollaries
 B. corolaries
 C. corollarries
 D. corroleries
 E. Correct as is

- 2)
 A. “Murphy’s Law,”
 B. Murphy’s Law,”
 C. “Murphy’s Law”,
 D. “Murphys Law,”
 E. Correct as is

- 6)
 A. witty musings
 B. complex phrases
 C. detrimental utterances
 D. sophisticated sayings
 E. harmless annotations

- 3)
 A. wrong, it will”.
 B. wrong it, will.”
 C. wrong, it will.”
 D. wrong it will,”
 E. Correct as is

- 7)
 A. several books, but some
 B. several books: some
 C. several books, some
 D. Correct as is

- 4)
 A. hilarious
 B. lofty
 C. comical
 D. laughable
 E. tenuous

- 8)
 A. scope some
 B. scope. Some
 C. scope & some
 D. scope, while others