

Grammar Worksheet 3

For each question, determine the correct answer and also write down the specific grammar/English rule utilized in that particular question.

1. Television's first interracial kiss, which came in an episode of Star Trek, didn't occur until 1968.

A) NO CHANGE
B) *Star Trek*
C) *Star Trek:*

Rule: _____

2. Once, a horse who's jockey died of a heart attack during the middle of a race actually went on to win the race.

A) NO CHANGE
B) whose
C) that's

Rule: _____

3. The tiny country of Lichtenstein has only one prison, so they actually house anyone with a sentence longer than 2 years in an Austrian jail.

A) NO CHANGE
B) it actually houses
C) which actually houses

Rule: _____

4. Neil Armstrong's barber once attempted to sell some of his famous clients hair for several thousand dollars — and succeeded.

A) NO CHANGE
B) clients'
C) client's

Rule: _____

5. Jeff Bezos, one of the greatest entrepreneurs of the past several decades, did build a "thousand year clock" that ticks only once per year and cuckoos only once every thousand.

A) NO CHANGE
B) has built
C) have built

Rule: _____

6. Winston Churchill was struck by a vehicle during a 1931 visit to New York City.

A) NO CHANGE
B) vehicle that hit him
C) moving vehicle

Rule: _____

7. In zero gravity, flames tend to die out quickly—because the cycle that allows oxygen to flow into fires on earth requires gravity to occur—and burn in a spherical shape.

- A) NO CHANGE
- B) quickly because
- C) quickly, because

Rule: _____

8. Lemurs get high from eating a particular type of millipede but it's unclear whether they eat the millipede for this purpose or for its insect-repelling properties.

- A) NO CHANGE
- B) millipede; but
- C) millipede, but

Rule: _____

9. Studies have demonstrated the “reminiscence bump”, people of all ages remember more from their young adulthood than from any other time in their lives.

- A) NO CHANGE
- B) bump”:
- C) bump”—

Rule: _____

10. Ecuador and Peru fought a war against each other in 1941-42, given that this occurred just as World War II was breaking out, it received relatively little attention.

- A) NO CHANGE
- B) 1941-42:
- C) 1941-42;

Rule: _____

Use the links below and other resources from your binder and online to study and practice the rules/concepts behind any questions that you missed.

1. A [Descriptive phrases](#) are offset by commas from the rest of the sentence.
2. B [Possessive pronouns](#). Whose means “belonging to a living thing”.
3. B [Pronoun agreement](#): Lichtenstein is a thing so → its (possessive of it)
4. C [Apostrophes](#). Belongs to client, so client’s (apostrophe after owner)
5. B [Subject-verb agreement](#): Jeff Bezos is singular → has built
6. A [Avoid repetition](#). Vehicle that “struck him” was obviously moving and hit him
7. A [Dashes](#) surround parenthetical elements (just like commas and parentheses)
8. C A comma and conjunction together [join 2 complete sentences](#).
9. B A [colon](#) goes after a complete sentence and acts like an = sign.
10. C [Semicolons](#) join 2 complete sentences.