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A mentor can change everything.



Parallel Structure #2

1. After many years of typing papers, browsing the web, and a few expensive repairs, my computer finally died.
 - A. NO CHANGE
 - B. the expense of a few repairs,
 - C. the dough I forked over for expensive repairs,
 - D. paying for expensive repairs,

2. Distraught and disheartened by my predicament, I called my father to say hello and asking for a small loan.
 - A. NO CHANGE
 - B. and will ask for a small loan.
 - C. and ask for a small loan.
 - D. but asking for a small loan.

3. When I called him, he was eating lunch, listening to the radio, and had been late for work.
 - A. NO CHANGE
 - B. will be late for work.
 - C. running late for work.
 - D. was late for work.

4. Without much time to waste, I told him that I needed a new computer to type my term paper, for watching Family Guy, and researching colleges.
 - A. NO CHANGE
 - B. for typing my term paper, watching Family Guy, and researching colleges.
 - C. to type my term paper, for watching Family Guy, and to research colleges.
 - D. to type my term paper, while I watch Family Guy, and researching colleges.

5. Since I am a hardworking and responsible young man, I told him I would prefer to work for the computer than receiving a handout, and he chuckled a little bit.
 - A. NO CHANGE
 - B. than receive a handout,
 - C. over him giving me a handout,
 - D. than a handout,

6. He then reminded me that a PC was the more affordable option, but I told him I needed a Mac because they are intelligently designed, highly reliable, and inspiration is endlessly found in them.
 - A. NO CHANGE
 - B. because they are intelligently designed, had good reliability, and are endlessly inspirational.
 - C. because they are intelligently designed, highly reliable, and endlessly inspirational.
 - D. because they are intelligently designed, highly reliable, and inspiration abounds from them.

7. I had presented my case persuasively, passionately, and was desperate.
- A. NO CHANGE
 - B. with passion, persuasion, and desperation.
 - C. persuasively, desperately, and passionate.
 - D. arguing persuasively, gesticulating passionately, and desperate.
8. After finally seeing my perspective, we decided on terms, discussed specifics, and made a deal.
- A. NO CHANGE
 - B. we were deciding on terms, discussing specifics, and made a deal.
 - C. we had decided on terms, discussed specifics, and a deal was made.
 - D. terms were decided on, we had discussed specifics, and a deal was made.
9. I needed to burn him the latest Beyoncé album, let him watch Netflix, and should be paying him back in \$50 monthly installments.
- A. NO CHANGE
 - B. and have paid him back in \$50 monthly installments.
 - C. and I will pay him back in \$50 monthly installments.
 - D. and pay him back in \$50 monthly installments.
10. I finally got out of bed and was going into the kitchen to chat with dad in person; he shook his head at my laziness and how dependent I was on technology.
- A. NO CHANGE
 - B. I finally got out of bed and went into the kitchen to chat with dad in person;
 - C. I finally was getting out of bed to go into the kitchen and chatting with dad in person;
 - D. I had finally gotten out of bed and was going into the kitchen to talk with dad in person;
11. He handed me his credit card; I shrugged my shoulders, went back to my room, and proceeded to do the following: order the computer, close the blinds, and nap.
- A. NO CHANGE
 - B. to order the computer, close the blinds, and to nap.
 - C. ordering the computer, closing the blinds, and nap.
 - D. order the computer, close the blinds, and take a nap.
12. My dad may be right: it is harder changing a habit than it is to keep it.
- A. NO CHANGE
 - B. to change a habit is harder than keeping it.
 - C. changing a habit is harder than keeping it.
 - D. changing a habit is harder than to keep it.