ENGLISH 12 · ARIZONA

English 12
Practice Test

Unit 2: Informational Text and Research

25 Questions

Original practice test based on the Arizona curriculum. Work through each question, then check your answers at the end.

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Question 1

A central idea in an informational text is

A) A minor example in one sentence

B) A quotation from a reader

C) The main point the author develops

D) The title of the book

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Question 2

When an author cites evidence the author

A) Repeats an opinion with no support

B) Points to facts or quotations that support a claim

C) Removes all details

D) Changes the topic at once

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Question 3

A primary source is

A) A review of a film

B) A firsthand account from the time studied

C) A guess about the past

D) A textbook summary written much later

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Question 4

A secondary source is

A) An original letter

B) A photograph taken at the scene

C) A diary written during an event

D) An account that analyzes primary sources

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Question 5

The purpose of a Works Cited list is to

A) Replace the essay itself

B) Hide the author sources

C) Let readers find the sources used

D) List books the author dislikes

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Question 6

Plagiarism is

A) Quoting with full credit

B) Listing sources correctly

C) Presenting another person work as your own

D) Summarizing in your own words with credit

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Question 7

A thesis statement in a research essay should

A) Give only a quotation

B) Repeat the title

C) Ask ten unrelated questions

D) State the main arguable claim clearly

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Question 8

To evaluate a source for credibility a reader should check

A) Only the color of the cover

B) Only the length of the article

C) Whether it agrees with the reader

D) The author expertise date and evidence

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Question 9

Bias in a source means

A) A long bibliography

B) A slant that favors one side

C) Perfect neutrality

D) A lack of any opinion

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Question 10

An author purpose to inform differs from a purpose to persuade because

A) Persuading never uses claims

B) They are exactly the same

C) Informing explains while persuading seeks agreement

D) Informing never uses facts

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Question 11

A counterclaim in an argument is

A) An opposing view the author addresses

B) A joke at the end

C) A list of sources

D) A repeat of the thesis

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Question 12

A rebuttal responds to a counterclaim by

A) Moving to a new topic

B) Copying it word for word

C) Ignoring it completely

D) Showing why it is weak or wrong

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Question 13

In a text structure of cause and effect the author

A) Describes a place in detail

B) Shows why something happened and what followed

C) Lists steps in a recipe

D) Compares two things only

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Question 14

In a problem and solution structure the author first

A) Tells a fictional story

B) Presents a difficulty then offers a fix

C) Gives a fix with no problem

D) Lists random facts

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Question 15

A summary differs from a paraphrase because a summary

A) Copies every sentence

B) Quotes the whole text

C) Adds new opinions

D) Shortens the whole text to its main points

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Question 16

When synthesizing sources a writer

A) Ignores sources that disagree

B) Lists sources without connecting them

C) Combines ideas from several sources into a new understanding

D) Copies one source only

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Question 17

A peer reviewed article has been

A) Written by a student alone

B) Published without any review

C) Checked by other experts before publication

D) Approved by readers only

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Question 18

The word connotation refers to

A) The number of syllables

B) The dictionary definition only

C) The spelling of a word

D) The feelings a word suggests beyond its definition

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Question 19

An author tone is

A) The font used in print

B) The attitude shown toward the subject

C) The length of the text

D) The number of chapters

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Question 20

A rhetorical question is asked

A) By mistake

B) To test the reader

C) For effect not for a direct answer

D) Only in a quiz

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Question 21

Loaded language in an informational text is language that

A) Is written in code

B) Carries strong emotion to sway readers

C) Has no meaning

D) Uses only neutral terms

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Question 22

If a chart shows 40 out of 200 people chose an option the percent is

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Question 23

A source published in 2024 about an event in 2024 is most likely

A) Fiction

B) A primary source always

C) Outdated by a century

D) Current for that event

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Question 24

The best research question is one that is

A) Focused arguable and researchable

B) About a personal taste only

C) So broad it cannot be answered

D) Answered by yes or no only

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Question 25

An annotated bibliography entry includes

A) Only the author name

B) A grade for the source

C) A full copy of the source

D) A citation plus a brief summary and evaluation

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ANSWER KEY

1.	C	**10.**	C	**18.**	D
2.	B	**11.**	A	**19.**	B
3.	B	**12.**	D	**20.**	C
4.	D	**13.**	B	**21.**	B
5.	C	**14.**	B	**22.**	20
6.	C	**15.**	D	**23.**	D
7.	D	**16.**	C	**24.**	A
8.	D	**17.**	C	**25.**	D
9.	B				

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