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Expository, Persuasive and Opinion Writing — Practice Test

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Reading III - A Letter About Later Starts

Use this reading for questions 1 to 2.

Dear Council, our school day should start one hour later. Tired students struggle to focus in first period, and a later start would let buses run after the morning rush. I know some parents worry about after-school jobs, but most jobs for students start after four in the afternoon.

1 **According to Reading III, what is the writer's main request**

- **A** a school day that starts one hour later
- **B** buses that run before the morning rush
- **C** after-school jobs for all students
- **D** a longer first period each day

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2 **According to Reading III, how does the writer handle the worry about after-school jobs**

A by ignoring the worry completely

B by changing the request to an earlier start

C by ending the letter without a conclusion

D by answering it with a reason about job start times

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3 **A thesis says: Sports are good. Which revision makes it a stronger, narrower thesis**

A Daily school sports build fitness, teamwork, and focus

B I like sports a lot

C There are many kinds of sports

D Sports are good for everyone in every way

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4 **A writer claims that homework helps learning, then gives a fact about school lunch menus. That fact is weak evidence because it is**

- A a fact rather than an opinion
- B off topic and unrelated to the claim
- C too long to read
- D written in formal language

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5 **An expository paragraph should keep a neutral, informative tone. Which sentence fits that tone**

- A Rain gardens collect runoff and filter it through soil and plants
- B Rain gardens are the most amazing thing ever and everyone must love them
- C Only foolish people would ignore rain gardens
- D Rain gardens should be built everywhere right now

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ANSWER KEY

1. A
2. D
3. A
4. B
5. A

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