CALIFORNIA ENGLISH 11 · FINAL EXAM · 50 QUESTIONS

# Final Exam — Practice Test

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## Early Puritan writing in America most often stressed

Question 1

Early Puritan writing in America most often stressed

A) Industrial progress

B) Nature worship only

C) Humour and satire only

D) Faith, community, and moral duty

A Industrial progress

B Nature worship only

C Humour and satire only

D Faith, community, and moral duty

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## 2 A research thesis should state a clear, focused claim that the research will

Question 2

A research thesis should state a clear, focused claim that the research will

A) Avoid proving

B) Support with evidence

C) Hide from readers

D) Repeat as a question

- **A** Avoid proving
- **B** Support with evidence
- **C** Hide from readers
- **D** Repeat as a question

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## 3 Evidence in an argument is used to

Question 3

Evidence in an argument is used to

A) Replace a claim

B) Fill pages

C) Confuse readers

D) Support a claim

A Replace a claim

B Fill pages

C Confuse readers

D Support a claim

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## 4 The dictionary meaning of a word is its

Question 4

The dictionary meaning of a word is its

A) Syntax

B) Connotation

C) Denotation

D) Tone

A Syntax

B Connotation

C Denotation

D Tone

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5

## Ralph Waldo Emerson is best known for essays urging readers to trust

Question 5

Ralph Waldo Emerson is best known for essays urging readers to trust

A) Their own thought

B) Foreign rulers

C) Fashion

D) Only tradition

A Their own thought

B Foreign rulers

C Fashion

D Only tradition

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6

## A source is most credible when its author is qualified, its evidence is cited, and it is

Question 6

A source is most credible when its author is qualified, its evidence is cited, and it is

A) Undated

B) Full of slogans

C) Anonymous

D) Current and accurate

A Undated

B Full of slogans

C Anonymous

D Current and accurate

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## 7 A strong thesis statement should be

Question 7

A strong thesis statement should be

A) Clear, specific, and debatable

B) A list of facts

C) A question only

D) Vague and very broad

A Clear, specific, and debatable

B A list of facts

C A question only

D Vague and very broad

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8

## A series of very short sentences in a tense scene most often creates a feeling of

Question 8

A series of very short sentences in a tense scene most often creates a feeling of

A) Formal distance

B) Urgency and tension

C) Calm and slowness

D) Confusion about topic

A Formal distance

B Urgency and tension

C Calm and slowness

D Confusion about topic

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9

## The Harlem Renaissance of the 1920s mainly celebrated African American

Question 9

The Harlem Renaissance of the 1920s mainly celebrated African American

A) European travel

B) Silence

C) Culture, art, and writing

D) Factory work only

A European travel

B Silence

C Culture, art, and writing

D Factory work only

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10

## Restating a source idea in your own words and sentence structure is called

Question 10

Restating a source idea in your own words and sentence structure is called

A) Paraphrase

B) Direct quotation

C) Annotation

D) Plagiarism

A Paraphrase

B Direct quotation

C Annotation

D Plagiarism

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## 11 Arguing that everyone does it, so it must be right, is the fallacy called

Question 11

Arguing that everyone does it, so it must be right, is the fallacy called

A) Straw man

B) Bandwagon

C) Ad hominem

D) False dilemma

A Straw man

B Bandwagon

C Ad hominem

D False dilemma

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## 12 The feeling a reader gets from a piece of writing is best called its

Question 12

The feeling a reader gets from a piece of writing is best called its

A) Diction

B) Syntax

C) Tone

D) Mood

A Diction

B Syntax

C Tone

D Mood

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## 13 A theme of individualism in American literature most often values

Question 13

A theme of individualism in American literature most often values

A) Rule by a king

B) Obedience to every custom

C) Wealth for a few families

D) The lone person conscience over the crowd

A Rule by a king

B Obedience to every custom

C Wealth for a few families

D The lone person conscience over the crowd

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## 14 A works cited list mainly gives

Question 14

A works cited list mainly gives

A) A list of topics to avoid

B) Full source details for sources used

C) The writer opinions

D) A summary of the paper

A A list of topics to avoid

B Full source details for sources used

C The writer opinions

D A summary of the paper

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## Claiming one small step will surely lead to disaster is the fallacy called

Question 15

Claiming one small step will surely lead to disaster is the fallacy called

A) Ad hominem

B) False dilemma

C) Slippery slope

D) Hasty generalization

A Ad hominem

B False dilemma

C Slippery slope

D Hasty generalization

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16

## Parallel structure, using the same grammatical form for items in a list, mainly makes writing

Question 16

Parallel structure, using the same grammatical form for items in a list, mainly makes writing

A) Balanced and clear

B) Longer only

C) Informal only

D) Confusing

A Balanced and clear

B Longer only

C Informal only

D Confusing

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17

## Slave narratives written by people who escaped slavery mainly aimed to show the reality of slavery and argue for

Question 17

Slave narratives written by people who escaped slavery mainly aimed to show the reality of slavery and argue for

A) More trade

B) Longer voyages

C) Freedom

D) Silence

A More trade

B Longer voyages

C Freedom

D Silence

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## 18 When two reliable sources disagree, a careful researcher should

Question 18

When two reliable sources disagree, a careful researcher should

A) Pick one and hide the other

B) Drop the topic

C) Copy both word for word

D) Note the disagreement and weigh the evidence

- **A** Pick one and hide the other
- **B** Drop the topic
- **C** Copy both word for word
- **D** Note the disagreement and weigh the evidence

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## 19 An appeal to logic and evidence is called

Question 19

An appeal to logic and evidence is called

A) Ethos

B) Logos

C) Pathos

D) Mythos

A Ethos

B Logos

C Pathos

D Mythos

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20

## Vague language such as stuff and things mainly weakens writing because it is

Question 20

Vague language such as stuff and things mainly weakens writing because it is

A) Imprecise

B) Too formal

C) Too long

D) Too emotional

A Imprecise

B Too formal

C Too long

D Too emotional

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21

## A novel about a family losing a farm during the Great Depression would most likely explore themes of

Question 21

A novel about a family losing a farm during the Great Depression would most likely explore themes of

A) Royal succession

B) Wealth and ease

C) Hardship, endurance, and dignity

D) Space travel

A Royal succession

B Wealth and ease

C Hardship, endurance, and dignity

D Space travel

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22

## An author who sells a product praised in an article may have a conflict of interest, so readers should check for

Question 22

An author who sells a product praised in an article may have a conflict of interest, so readers should check for

A) Length

B) Font

C) Bias

D) Price

A Length

B Font

C Bias

D Price

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## 23 A conclusion of an argument should most often

Question 23

A conclusion of an argument should most often

A) List every source

B) Restate the claim and call for action

C) Apologise for the claim

D) Introduce a new topic

- **A** List every source
- **B** Restate the claim and call for action
- **C** Apologise for the claim
- **D** Introduce a new topic

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## 24 A rhetorical question in a speech mainly aims to

Question 24

A rhetorical question in a speech mainly aims to

A) Make listeners think

B) End the speech

C) Get a spoken answer

D) List facts

A Make listeners think

B End the speech

C Get a spoken answer

D List facts

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25

## Naturalist writing most often shows people shaped by forces larger than themselves, such as heredity and

Question 25

Naturalist writing most often shows people shaped by forces larger than themselves, such as heredity and

A) Environment

B) Magic

C) Fashion

D) Luck only

A Environment

B Magic

C Fashion

D Luck only

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## 26 An annotated bibliography gives, for each source, a citation plus a brief

Question 26

An annotated bibliography gives, for each source, a citation plus a brief

A) Summary and evaluation

B) Price list

C) Advertisement

D) Poem

A Summary and evaluation

B Price list

C Advertisement

D Poem

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## 27 To address an audience fairly, a writer should

Question 27

To address an audience fairly, a writer should

A) Hide all counterclaims

B) Use only emotion

C) Consider opposing views honestly

D) Insult readers

A Hide all counterclaims

B Use only emotion

C Consider opposing views honestly

D Insult readers

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28

## A writer who varies sentence length and structure shows good sentence

Question 28

A writer who varies sentence length and structure shows good sentence

A) Length only

B) Spelling

C) Variety

D) Punctuation only

A Length only

B Spelling

C Variety

D Punctuation only

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29

## American transcendentalists believed truth could be found through nature and

Question 29

American transcendentalists believed truth could be found through nature and

A) Intuition

B) Factory machines

C) Royal decrees

D) Coinage

A Intuition

B Factory machines

C Royal decrees

D Coinage

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30

## A student reads a surprising claim online. Before using it in an essay, the student finds the same claim in a second, independent source. This practice is called

Question 30

A student reads a surprising claim online. Before using it in an essay, the student finds the same claim in a second, independent source. This practice is called

A) Outlining

B) Fact checking

C) Annotating

D) Plagiarism

A Outlining

B Fact checking

C Annotating

D Plagiarism

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## 31 Relevant evidence is evidence that

Question 31

Relevant evidence is evidence that

A) Is funny

B) Directly relates to the claim

C) Comes last

D) Is long

A Is funny

B Directly relates to the claim

C Comes last

D Is long

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32

## A mild word used in place of a harsh one, such as passed away for died, is a

Question 32

A mild word used in place of a harsh one, such as passed away for died, is a

A) Paradox

B) Cliche

C) Oxymoron

D) Euphemism

A Paradox

B Cliche

C Oxymoron

D Euphemism

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## 33 A writer who uses free verse, long lines, and celebrates ordinary American workers is working in the spirit of

Question 33

A writer who uses free verse, long lines, and celebrates ordinary American workers is working in the spirit of

A) Walt Whitman

B) A travel guide

C) A factory manual

D) A legal code

A Walt Whitman

B A travel guide

C A factory manual

D A legal code

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## 34 A biography written by a historian about a past leader is a

Question 34

A biography written by a historian about a past leader is a

A) Primary source

B) Diary

C) Secondary source

D) Letter

A Primary source

B Diary

C Secondary source

D Letter

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35

## An expert opinion is stronger evidence when the expert has knowledge in the

Question 35

An expert opinion is stronger evidence when the expert has knowledge in the

A) Relevant field

B) Same age group

C) Unrelated field

D) Same town only

A Relevant field

B Same age group

C Unrelated field

D Same town only

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36

## A statement that seems contradictory but may hold truth, such as less is more, is a

Question 36

A statement that seems contradictory but may hold truth, such as less is more, is a

A) Cliche

B) Oxymoron only

C) Paradox

D) Euphemism

A Cliche

B Oxymoron only

C Paradox

D Euphemism

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37

## The Harlem Renaissance took its name from a neighbourhood in which city

Question 37

The Harlem Renaissance took its name from a neighbourhood in which city

A) Boston

B) Chicago

C) New Orleans

D) New York City

A Boston

B Chicago

C New Orleans

D New York City

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38

## A source published recently is usually preferred when a topic changes quickly, such as technology or

Question 38

A source published recently is usually preferred when a topic changes quickly, such as technology or

A) Mythology only

B) Poetry

C) Ancient history only

D) Medicine

A Mythology only

B Poetry

C Ancient history only

D Medicine

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39

## Citing a famous person with no expertise on a topic as proof is a weak

Question 39

Citing a famous person with no expertise on a topic as proof is a weak

A) Appeal to logic

B) Appeal to authority

C) Rebuttal

D) Concession

A Appeal to logic

B Appeal to authority

C Rebuttal

D Concession

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40

## Saying the opposite of what is meant, with a tone that signals the reversal, is

Question 40

Saying the opposite of what is meant, with a tone that signals the reversal, is

A) A summary

B) A glossary

C) Verbal irony

D) A citation

A A summary

B A glossary

C Verbal irony

D A citation

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41

## A story about westward settlers facing drought and distance most likely explores

Question 41

A story about westward settlers facing drought and distance most likely explores

A) Court etiquette

B) City fashion

C) Endurance on the frontier

D) Sea law

A Court etiquette

B City fashion

C Endurance on the frontier

D Sea law

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42

## A research paper introduction should present the topic, the question, and the

Question 42

A research paper introduction should present the topic, the question, and the

A) Thesis

B) Index

C) Appendix

D) Bibliography

A Thesis

B Index

C Appendix

D Bibliography

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## 43 A counterclaim paragraph placed before the conclusion mainly shows the writer has

Question 43

A counterclaim paragraph placed before the conclusion mainly shows the writer has

A) Run out of ideas

B) Forgotten the thesis

C) Changed the topic

D) Considered other views

A Run out of ideas

B Forgotten the thesis

C Changed the topic

D Considered other views

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## 44 A writer who switches between formal and casual language for different audiences is adjusting

Question 44

A writer who switches between formal and casual language for different audiences is adjusting

A) Title

B) Register

C) Spelling

D) Margins

A Title

B Register

C Spelling

D Margins

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45

## A Gothic tale set in a decaying house most likely uses the house as a symbol of

Question 45

A Gothic tale set in a decaying house most likely uses the house as a symbol of

A) Safe travel

B) A mind in decline

C) Fair trade

D) Good farming

A Safe travel

B A mind in decline

C Fair trade

D Good farming

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## 46 Which search terms are most specific for a paper on school gardens and science scores

Question 46

Which search terms are most specific for a paper on school gardens and science scores

A) School gardens and science achievement

B) School

C) Learning stuff

D) Things

- **A** School gardens and science achievement
- **B** School
- **C** Learning stuff
- **D** Things

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## 47 An essay has 5 paragraphs with 1 counterclaim paragraph How many paragraphs are not the counterclaim

Question 47

An essay has 5 paragraphs with 1 counterclaim paragraph How many paragraphs are not the counterclaim

ANSWER

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48

## A writer revises 5 vague words and replaces 3 of them How many vague words remain

Question 48

A writer revises 5 vague words and replaces 3 of them How many vague words remain

ANSWER

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## A class reads 3 American poems in week one and 5 in week two How many poems in total

Question 49

A class reads 3 American poems in week one and 5 in week two How many poems in total

ANSWER

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## A paper cites 3 books and 2 articles How many sources cited in total

Question 50

A paper cites 3 books and 2 articles How many sources cited in total

ANSWER

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