SOUTH DAKOTA ENGLISH 11 · UNIT 4

Language — Practice Test

South Dakota English 11 • 25 questions

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1 **Which sentence uses a comma correctly after an introductory phrase?**

A After school Maria, walked to the library.

B After, school Maria walked to the library.

C After school Maria walked, to the library.

D After school, Maria walked to the library.

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2 **Which sentence uses a semicolon correctly?**

- **A** Maria loves; to read her brother prefers to draw.
- **B** Maria; loves to read her brother prefers to draw.
- **C** Maria loves to read; her brother prefers to draw.
- **D** Maria loves to read; and her brother prefers to draw.

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3 **Which sentence uses a colon correctly to introduce a list?**

- **A** Bring: these supplies pencils, paper, and a ruler.
- **B** Bring these supplies: pencils, paper, and a ruler.
- **C** Bring these: supplies pencils, paper, and a ruler.
- **D** Bring these supplies, pencils: paper, and a ruler.

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4 **Choose the verb that agrees with the subject: Neither of the students _____ finished the essay.**

A have

B are

C were

D has

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5 **Choose the pronoun that agrees with its antecedent: Each student must bring ____ own book.**

A their books

B its

C they

D his or her

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6 **Which sentence has parallel structure?**

- A She likes to hike, swimming, and biking.
- B She likes hiking, to swim, and biking.
- C She likes hiking, swimming, and biking.
- D She likes hiking, swimming, and to bike.

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7 **Which revision fixes the misplaced modifier in this sentence: Walking home, the rain soaked Maria?**

- A Maria, walking home, the rain soaked.
- B Walking home, Maria was soaked by the rain.
- C Walking home, the rain was soaked by Maria.
- D The rain, walking home, soaked Maria.

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8 **Which of the following is a sentence fragment?**

A Maria walked to the library.

B Maria walked to the library and read a book.

C After school, Maria walked to the library.

D Because Maria walked to the library.

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9 **Which revision fixes this run on sentence: Maria read a book she enjoyed every page?**

A Maria read a book she enjoyed, every page.

B Maria read, a book she enjoyed every page.

C Maria read a book she, enjoyed every page.

D Maria read a book, and she enjoyed every page.

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10 **Which sentence is written in active voice?**

- A The new plan was being approved.
- B Approval was given to the new plan.
- C The committee approved the new plan.
- D The new plan was approved by the committee.

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11 **Choose the correct word: _____ going to the library after school.**

- A They're
- B They are
- C Their
- D There

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12 **Choose the correct word: The heavy rain will ____ the game.**

A effect

B affected

C effects

D affect

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13 **Choose the correct word: ____ a long road to the next town.**

A Its

B Its'

C It are

D It is

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14 **Use context clues: The arid land received almost no rain. What does arid most likely mean?**

A Crowded

B Frozen

C Dry

D Fertile

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15 **Which word has a negative connotation compared with determined?**

A Careful

B Stubborn

C Focused

D Patient

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16

Denotation refers to what?

A The feeling a word suggests

B The origin of a word only

C The spelling of a word only

D The dictionary definition of a word

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17

The prefix pre in preview most likely means what?

A After

B Against

C Under

D Before

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18 **The suffix less in fearless most likely means what?**

A Without

B Full of

C Again

D Before

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19 **The root dict in dictate most likely means what?**

A Write

B Say or speak

C Carry

D See

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20 **Which sentence uses capitalization correctly?**

- **A** President Lincoln gave a famous speech.
- **B** president lincoln gave a famous speech.
- **C** President lincoln gave a Famous Speech.
- **D** PRESIDENT Lincoln gave a famous speech.

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21 **In American punctuation, where does a period usually go with a quotation?**

- **A** Inside the closing quotation mark
- **B** Outside the closing quotation mark
- **C** Before the opening quotation mark
- **D** After the next sentence

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22 **Which sentence is interrogative?**

A The library is open.

B Where is the library?

C Please close the door.

D What a great book!

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23 **How many independent clauses are in this sentence: Maria read a book, and her brother drew a picture?**

ANSWER _____

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24 **Which word best replaces kids in a formal essay?**

- A Students
- B Guys
- C Folks
- D Kiddos

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25 **Which sentence combines these ideas correctly: Maria was tired. She finished her homework.**

- A Although Maria was tired, she finished her homework.
- B Maria was tired she finished her homework.
- C Maria was tired, she finished, her homework.
- D Although Maria was tired she, finished her homework.

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ANSWER KEY

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

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