Informational Composition - Position and Comparative Writing — Practice Test

Saskatchewan English Language Arts B30 • 10 questions

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1 **According to Reading III, which claim is best supported by the passage?**

- A one town alone can protect a shared river
- B pollution by one town harms no other town
- C joint management always fails
- D shared dependence requires shared rules and shared costs

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2 **According to Reading III, which title fits the passage best?**

A Two Towns, One River

B Uptown and Downton

C Festival Dates

D Rivers Without Rules

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3 **According to Reading III, which text structure does the author mainly use?**

A chronological order, telling events in the order they happened

B compare and contrast, showing how two things are alike and different

C cause and effect, showing how one thing leads to another

D problem and solution, presenting a difficulty and then a way to solve it

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4 **A student wants to share a strong opinion about a school rule in the school newspaper. Which form fits best?**

A a personal diary entry kept private

B a list of school rules with no comment

C an editorial that argues a position with reasons

D a set of lab instructions for a science class

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5 **When editing, a writer should check subject and verb agreement. Which sentence is correct?**

A The books on the shelf belonging to the library

B The books on the shelf belongs to the library

C The book on the shelf belong to the library

D The books on the shelf belong to the library

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6 **A student writes a first draft that is messy and full of crossed out words. This is**

- A normal, because first drafts focus on ideas, not perfection
- B a failure, because first drafts must be perfect
- C proofreading, because errors are being fixed
- D publishing, because the draft is ready to share

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7 **A writer wants readers to follow a position paper clearly from one idea to the next. Which tool helps most?**

- A longer words in every sentence
- B transitions that show how ideas connect
- C extra exclamation marks
- D a larger title on the first page

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8 **Which sentence uses a comma correctly?**

A After the meeting the students stacked the chairs and left quietly

B After, the meeting the students stacked the chairs and left quietly

C After the meeting, the students stacked the chairs and left quietly

D After the meeting, the students, stacked the chairs and left quietly

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9 **A student writing a position paper for younger readers about a complex topic should**

A use only technical terms with no explanation

B skip the introduction to save space

C write longer sentences to sound more formal

D explain key terms in plain words and give simple examples

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10 **Which sentence best states a thesis for a position paper arguing for a later school start?**

A Schools should start later because students learn better when they are rested

B School start times are a topic people discuss

C Many students attend school in the morning

D Schools have clocks in every classroom

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ANSWER KEY

1.	D	**5.**	D	**9.**	D
2.	A	**6.**	A	**10.**	A
3.	B	**7.**	B		
4.	C	**8.**	C		

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