

Directions: Rewrite the following sentences to remove the dangling modifiers.

1. Writing carefully, the essay was finished in time to hand in.
2. My flesh felt creepy after seeing a monster movie.
3. At the age of four, my grandmother taught me to knit.
4. To do well in college, good grades are essential.
5. Crowded in the car, the trip was uncomfortable.
6. While still a student, a job offer was received.
7. After doing calculus problems for hours, John's foot went to sleep.
8. Driving over the hill, the ocean came into view.
9. Confused by complicated wording, the contract made no sense.
10. After clearing his throat, his voice sounded much better to me.

Directions: Rewrite each sentence to fix all parallelism errors.

11. An actor knows how to memorize his lines and getting into character.
12. Tell me where you were, what you were doing, and your reasons for doing it.
13. Clark's daily exercises include running, swimming, and to lift weights.
14. To donate money to the homeless shelter is helping people stay warm in the winter.
15. Jim not only likes working outside but also getting dirty.
16. We followed the path through the forest, over the hill, and we went across the river.
17. The writer was brilliant but a recluse.
18. After the party, we want to either go to a movie or the diner.
19. She told Jake to take out the trash, to mow the lawn, and be listening for the phone call.
20. Marcie studied for the test by reviewing her class notes and she read her textbook.

Directions: Some of the following word groups are fragments while others are simple sentences. Revise any fragment to make a complete sentence. If the word group is a simple sentence, write "correct" in the text box. NOTE: No capital letters or end punctuation marks have been used. Use subject-predicate units and complete thoughts to determine your answers.

21. after the tornado struck the small town
22. please read the chapter on sentence analysis
23. they would like to collect money for the charity
24. because you know that I dislike peanut butter
25. the older man walking down the stairs
26. whether we go to the zoo on Sunday or not
27. the new idea created a buzz of excitement
28. for example, the public's interest in reality television
29. does that tree ever grow pinecones
30. as the actress finished reading her monologue

Directions: Revise each comma splice or fused sentence into a correct compound sentence with a coordinating conjunction and appropriate punctuation.

31. In March, Harry was transferred to a new plant in Detroit, then he was laid off in June.
32. The CEO received a subscription to his favorite magazine, it arrived in the mail within two weeks.
33. The jury members deliberated for over two months, the judge has asked to meet with them today.
34. We will travel to Bermuda this summer, we will stay home.
35. The weather forecaster asked everyone to remain indoors, a storm was heading our way.
36. My sister has over two thousand old record albums, she has very little storage space left.
37. The sun is 93 million miles away it can still burn a person's skin badly.
38. My mother was born in Madrid, I had very little trouble learning Spanish.
39. The new oil painting is very colorful, it will look good with our bright furnishings.
40. Many people believe in the curative powers of this water they have felt relief after bathing in it.

Directions: Change each passive voice sentence into the active voice. Type your new sentences into the boxes below each item.

41. The winning novel was chosen by a panel of famous fiction writers.
42. Four motorists were killed by automobile accidents over the Memorial Day weekend.
43. The book on glaciers was never sent to the bookstore by the publishers.
44. A ball traveling at incredible speed was thrown by the veteran pitcher.
45. The dishes were cleared from the table by the impatient server.
46. English sheepdogs are bred and raised by the kennel on 3rd Avenue.
47. We were amazed by some of the performances.
48. Adequate medical benefits should be insisted on by every employee.
49. A motion was made to table the matter by three committee members.
50. A note was written on the brown paper bag by the grocery clerk.