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Underline the sentence that uses a different style or tone than the rest of the paragraph. Then rewrite it to better match the other sentences. Do not change its overall meaning.

Our cafeteria food isn't the best. Both the flavor and nutritional value are, in all honesty, lacking. I mostly just pack lunches at home. It's for sure the safer bet!

Choose the best transitional phrase from the box to complete the sentence.

Learning Tanzim's school cooks with fresh ingredients blew me out of the water!



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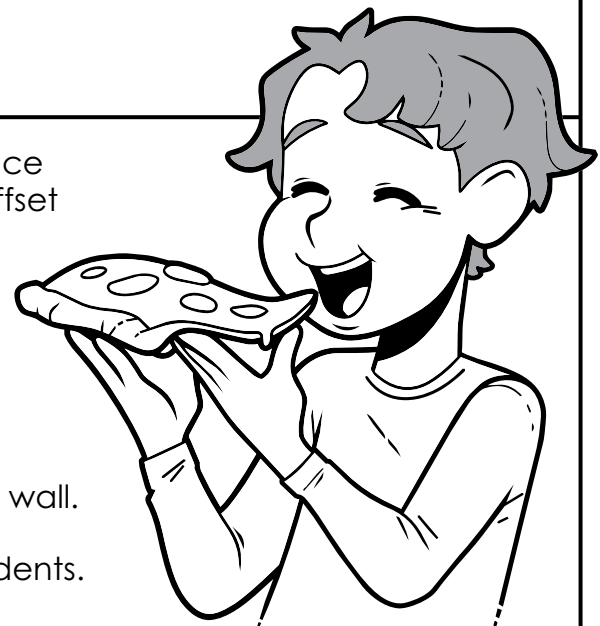
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- ☐ Unless it's pizza, Kyren won't eat the cafeteria food.
- ☐ Kyren won't eat most cafeteria food, but he will eat the pizza.
- ☐ The only cafeteria food Kyren will eat is pizza.

Just like with nonrestrictive appositives, any part of a sentence that offers additional but unessential information must be offset by punctuation.

Check the box next to the sentence with no errors. Add this missing comma(s) in the other sentences.

- ☐ The students who just left made a huge mess.
- ☐ The menu which hasn't changed in years is on the wall.
- ☐ The pizza logs warm and crisp are popular with students.



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Circle the pronoun(s) in each sentence. Check the box next to the sentence with an error.

- ☐ We misplaced a case of microphones and can't find it!
- ☐ Who has experience singing in harmony with a group?
- ☐ Singers can audition as many times as you want.

What should the incorrect pronoun actually be? _____



Rewrite the sentence correctly.

The singer and performer, **Michael Jackson**, was the



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What is the best definition for the bold word in context?

- a. the end of a conflict
- b. a clear end point
- c. a final decision

Some people are more naturally gifted singers than others, but they still require practice to improve.

Add the correct suffix to the indicated words to complete the sentences.

ing ed ly

I would be _____ to sing in front of a crowd, but _____ is no problem!
(terrify) (hum)

Some artists rely _____ on _____ even when they perform live.
(heavy) (autotune)

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Perfect progressive tenses use a combination of the perfect and progressive tense forms.

[form of "have"] + been + [present participle (-ing)]

Fill in the blank with the present perfect progressive form of **save**.

Dennis _____ up to purchase a new gaming console.

Draw lines to match the homophones to the correct pictures.



Rewrite the sentence correctly.

Lilia or Jase is pooling there money,
because they wants a tablet. **5 errors**



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Mr. Acosta anticipated he'd be able to pay off his credit card debt by the end of summer, but a series of unexpected expenses ruined those plans.

It is important to consider the quality of sources. Some are more accurate and reliable than others. Most also contain biases. Biases are people's personal experiences and preferences that prevent them from presenting topics neutrally or providing full and factual information. Biases can be in favor of something (called **positive**) or against something (called **negative**).

Check the box next to the headline with a negative bias against the child.

☐

Kid Wisely Invests Allowance Instead of Wasting It on Tech

☐

Kid Takes Risky Investing Gamble Instead of Upgrading Tech

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Write **R** (reflexive) or **I** (intensive) to tell what kind of pronoun each sentence uses.
Circle the pronoun that has an error.

_____ Jasiel himself drafted the first copy of this peace treaty.

_____ We gave ourselves a one-week deadline to reach an agreement.

_____ Milan and Aadhya managed to resolve their differences themselves.

The Latin root **pax/pac** means **peace**.

Write the adjective and adverb forms derived from the root.



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listening skills make her an
excellent peacekeeper
Braylen said

To lie means **to recline on a surface**.
It only uses a subject.

To lay means **to place or set something down**.
It needs an object.

Fill in the blanks with the appropriate form of
the correct verb.

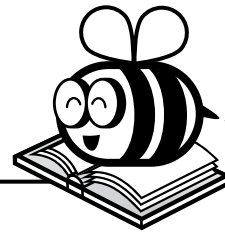
	to lie	to lay
present tense	lie / lies	lay / lays
past tense	lay	laid
present participle	lying	laying
past participle	lain	laid

"Are you going to take that insult _____ down?" Layne taunted.

It's time to _____ down your weapons and come to the negotiating table.

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The house had only been vacant for a few summers, but the shattered windows, layers of grime, and uncontrolled weeds made it seem much longer than that. The thick tree trunk that had crushed part of the second floor and now lay sprawled across the staircase didn't help.

"We're gonna get in so much trouble," Jabril complained.

Elio couldn't disagree. If either of their families found out about this unauthorized field trip, they'd probably be grounded until college. There was no point dwelling on it, though. It was a necessary risk if they wanted to find out what was in the basement once and for all. A sharp SNAP had him whipping around to face Jabril. A rotting floorboard had cracked underfoot.



... Maybe being in trouble was better than being in danger...?



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Why did the boys enter the house?

Use the correct words to fill in the blanks.

they're their there

_____ not supposed to be in _____!

Fill in the blanks with the correctly capitalized letters.

Jabril thought it would look at home in
any ____alloween ____ovie.

Draw lines to divide the word into syllables.
Underline the stressed syllable.

f o r b i d d e n

Complete the sentences with the indicated tenses of **shake**.

The stairs _____ under the boys' weight.
(past)

The falling tree _____ pictures
off the walls. (past perfect)

Our cafeteria food isn't the best. **Both the flavor and nutritional value are, in all honesty, lacking.** I mostly just pack lunches at home. It's for sure the safer bet!

Answers will vary but must be less formal.

Choose the best transitional phrase from the box to complete the sentence.

in particular as a result for instance

The district recently changed its food vendor.
As a result, food

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What does the figurative language mean?

The speaker is greatly surprised.

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☐ The pizza logs, warm and crisp, are popular with students.

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Describe the mood that the setting helps create.

Answers may vary. Examples are: mysterious; creepy; ect.

b. They have been exposed to damaging rain due to a broken roof.

Why did the boys enter the house?
to find out what was in the basement

Use the correct words to fill in the blanks.

they're their there

They're not supposed to be in **there**!

Draw lines to divide the word into syllables. Underline the stressed syllable.

for|bid|den

Complete the sentences with the indicated tenses of **shake**.

The stairs **shook** (past) under the boys' weight.

The falling tree **had shaken** (past perfect) pictures off the walls.

Fill in the blanks with the correctly capitalized letters.

Jabril thought it would look at home in any **H**alloween **m**ovie.