Sentence Completion 15 (high-beginning level)

Directions: Choose the best word(s) to complete each sentence.

1. If you want to eat something in a restaurant, you must ______ it first.
   A. pay
   B. cook
   C. make
   D. order

2. The little frog ______ into the water.
   A. flew
   B. jumped
   C. ran
   D. sat

3. When a traffic light turns ______, all of the cars ______.
   A. red ... stop
   B. yellow ... break
   C. green ... turn
   D. orange ... crash

4. After a long workout, he wanted to ______ his clothes.
   A. sell
   B. burn
   C. make
   D. change

5. Jodi ______ a ______ when she rides her bike.
   A. holds ... hat
   B. wears ... helmet
   C. buys ... bracelet
   D. loses ... backpack

6. Bruno is a ______. He works in a fancy ______.
   A. server ... restaurant
   B. banker ... school
   C. salesman ... hospital
   D. construction worker ... office

7. I will ______ the package to you today. It should ______ sometime next week.
   A. ship ... leave
   B. mail ... melt
   C. send ... arrive
   D. throw ... catch

8. Elizabeth is a ______. She ______ airplanes.
   A. teacher ... teaches
   B. lawyer ... argues
   C. doctor ... heals
   D. pilot ... flies

9. Laura is ______. Some of her paintings are hanging in a ______.
   A. a butcher ... grocery store
   B. a gardener ... garden
   C. an artist ... museum
   D. an architect ... building

10. Ashley and Tom are ______. I can hear them yelling at each other. They sound angry.
    A. fighting
    B. sleeping
    C. reading
    D. eating
Answers and Explanations

1) D
When you go to a restaurant, you have to tell the server what you would like to eat. This is called “ordering.” To get your food, you must order it. Choice (D) is correct.

(A) is incorrect because most restaurants do not make you pay for your food before you eat it. However, even if you do have to pay before you eat your food, you must still tell your server what you want, or else he or she will not be able to tell you how much it costs.

(B) is incorrect because you do not need to cook your food at a restaurant.

(C) is incorrect because you do not need to make your own food at a restaurant.

2) B
“The little frog jumped into the water” is the only answer choice that makes sense. Frogs are well known for their ability to jump, and they spend most of their lives in water. Choice (B) is correct.

(A) is incorrect because frogs cannot fly.

(C) is incorrect because ran does not make sense; frogs jump better than they run.

(D) is incorrect because frogs do not sit into the water.

3) A
A traffic light tells drivers when they have to stop and when they can go. When the light is red, the vehicles must stop. Choice (A) is correct.

(B) is incorrect because a yellow traffic light means that cars must slow down. It does not mean that they have to break.

(C) is incorrect because a green traffic light means that cars can go. It does not mean that they can turn.

(D) is incorrect because traffic lights never turn orange.

4) D
When people work out, they sweat. Sweaty clothes do not feel good, and they are not clean. After working out, most people change their clothes. This means they put on new clothes. Choice (D) is correct.
(A) is incorrect because people would not sell dirty clothes that they just worked out in. That would be gross!

(B) is incorrect because people do not have to burn clothes that they just worked out in. Burning clothes that are just dirty is very wasteful.

(C) is incorrect because it does not make sense to make clothes after you have worked out in them.

5) **B**

When you ride a bike, you should always wear a helmet for safety. A helmet is a type of hard hat that protects your head. If you fall off your bike, the helmet will keep your head from getting hurt. Choice (B) is correct.

(A) is incorrect because, although Jodi might sometimes hold a hat, holding hats has nothing to do with riding bikes. In fact, holding a hat while riding a bike is very difficult, because you should always have both hands on the handlebars.

(C) is incorrect because, while Jodi might sometimes buy a bracelet, buying bracelets has nothing to do with riding bikes.

(D) is incorrect because, while Jodie could lose her backpack, losing backpacks has nothing to do with riding bikes.

6) **A**

A server is a person who brings food to customers in a restaurant. “Server” is another word for “waiter” or “waitress,” but it can be used for both men and women. If Bruno’s job is to bring food to customers at a restaurant, he is a server. Choice (A) is correct.

(B) is incorrect because bankers do not work in schools.

(C) is incorrect because salesmen do not work in hospitals.

(D) is incorrect because construction workers do not work in offices.

7) **C**

When I send a package, it takes a few days to travel to its destination. The person who receives the package must wait for it to arrive. Choice (C) is correct.

(A) is incorrect because, if I ship the package today, it should leave my possession today, not next week.

(B) is incorrect because packages do not melt.

(D) is incorrect because packages do not catch things.
8) **D**

A *pilot* is someone who *flies* an airplane. If it is Elizabeth’s job to fly a plane, then she is a pilot. Choice (D) is correct.

(A) is incorrect because *teachers* cannot *teach* airplanes. Airplanes cannot learn anything.

(B) is incorrect because *lawyers* do not *argue* airplanes. They argue cases.

(C) is incorrect because *doctors* do not *heal* airplanes. They heal patients.

9) **C**

An *artist* is someone who makes art, such as paintings or sculptures. If Laura makes very pretty paintings, a *museum* might want to display them. Choice (C) is correct.

(A) is incorrect because *butchers* do not paint paintings. They cut meat.

(B) is incorrect because *gardeners* do not paint paintings. They plant flowers.

(D) is incorrect because *architects* do not paint paintings. They design buildings.

10) **A**

When people are angry at each other, they might start *fighting*. This means that they will yell at each other, and they might even try to hurt each other. If Ashley and Tom are angry and yelling at one another, they are fighting. Choice (A) is correct.

(B) is incorrect because *sleeping* is an activity that does not involve anger or yelling. It would be pretty hard to sleep if you were angry and yelling.

(C) is incorrect because *reading* is an activity that does not involve anger or yelling. It would be pretty hard to read if you were yelling.

(D) is incorrect because *eating* is an activity that does not involve anger or yelling. It would be pretty hard to eat if you were yelling.