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The Burger Palace Escapade

I. SENTENCES

Find the complete subject and underline it once; that is, underline the subject plus associated modifiers. Find the complete predicate and underline it twice; that is, underline the main verb plus auxiliary verbs plus objects or complements plus associated modifiers. If you are uncertain whether an introductory phrase or clause modifies the remainder of the sentence or just the predicate alone, underline the phrase or clause twice. Every part of the sentence should be underlined one way or another (unless there is an interjection). 1 pt. each

1. Sleeping in his warm bed under a thick comforter, dreaming a dream that involved

cats and calculators, Cue ball was jarred awake by the sound of a buzzing phone.

2. Even before he picked up, he knew it was late, very late.

3. Indeed, when his eyes focused and he looked at the readout, Cue saw that it was 3:42

A.M.

4. “What!” he managed to croak into the phone.

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II. ACTIVE AND PASSIVE VOICE

Identify the voice of the main verb in each sentence below, then rewrite the paragraph reversing the voice used in each sentence. You do not have to use every word in your revised sentences, but the general sense of the original main clause must remain. Just change the voice. 1 pt. each

A disembodied voice repeated Cue’s name over and over, speaking very quickly. As Cue’s head began to clear, he realized that KJ was on the other end of the line. Of course, since this was a cell phone, no line was involved. KJ was saying something about soft drink cups, garbage dumpsters, and free plane rides. He was asking whether Cue could drive to Harrisburg right now!

5) Voice of 1st _____

6) Voice of 2nd _____

7) Voice of 3rd _____

8) Voice of 4th _____

9) Voice of 5th _____

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14) _____

III. PREPOSITIONS AND PREPOSITIONAL PHRASES

Place parentheses around all prepositional phrases in the following sentences. Draw arrow(s) to the word(s) each phrase modifies. 2 pt. each

15) “In case you didn’t note the time,” said Cue, “at this very moment it is near to dawn.”

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16) After listening carefully, Cue ball came to understand that KJ had been raiding the dumpsters of a certain fast food restaurant chain, searching for used drink cups that could be redeemed for plane tickets.

17) In the thrill of the moment, KJ was suggesting that Cue hop in his car and drive to the Burg, three and a half hours away.

18). Despite the allure of the offer, Cue asked for a reprieve until the weekend.

For 1 extra point, suggest two grammatical ways that “reprieve” might be described as functioning in sentence 18.

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IV. VERB OBJECTS & COMPLEMENTS

Identify the verb object(s) and complement(s) in the following sentences by writing DO, IO or OC or PA or PN above the appropriate word. If there are verbals or verbal phrases functioning as verb objects or complements, identify them as noted above. If there is more than one clause in a sentence, identify the verb objects and complements in each clause. If dependent clauses function as verb objects or complements, identify them appropriately. 2 pt. each

19) On a blustery Friday night in early January, Cue ball drove into Harrisburg,

fortified by a thermos of coffee and toting a pair of high-end thermal underwear.

20) KJ's family gathered around as Cue sat down in their kitchen and related the latest

news of his life.

21) The plan was to wait until quite late, and then to plunder the garbage of a nearby

Burger Palace.

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22) At three o'clock A.M., KJ woke Cue, who had been napping on the couch, and gave him a cup of tea.

23) KJ suggested that Cue should wear his long johns, a hat, and gloves since the temperature was zero.

24) Later, in KJ's pickup, its bed filled with snow, the two friends cruised the darkened streets toward their destination.

25) With practiced skill, KJ drove silently into a parking lot, killed the lights and then the engine, and sat alert.

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26) When it was clear that no one was about, the two opened their doors, stepped quietly out of the truck, and walked through swirling snow to a dumpster that was located behind the store.

27) As Cue kept watch, KJ slid open one of the green side doors and, reaching for the bags, grabbed out a first, then a second, and a third.

28) He had coached Cue to feel the bag for cups before ripping small entrance holes.

tricky.

29) Soon both men were crouched behind the dumpster, feeling for cups that would bring them free air fare.

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30) It was a messy job, as they found cups amidst half-eaten burgers, discarded chili, rock-hard baked potatoes, and used catsup packets.

31. After they had searched ten bags, KJ said that that was enough. *tricky*

32. Reasoning that the cups would stink if they thawed, Cue took his stack of thirty-three cups to the truck and buried them in the snow that filled the bed.

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V. VERBALS & VERBAL PHRASES

Identify the type of verbal(s) or verbal phrase(s) underlined or italicized in the following sentences. Clearly identify each as its appropriate verbal or verbal phrase. 1 pt. each

33) Waking rather later than normal, Cue went downstairs to rustle up some breakfast.

34) Eating was one of Cue's favorite pastimes, and he was unhappy to find that a well-cooked breakfast had already been made and consumed.

Identify the word in italics separately from the underlined words.

35) Soon enough, however, a plate piled high with pickles and *smoked cod* was produced, and by satisfying his hunger, Cue regained his equilibrium.

Identify the word in italics separately from the underlined words.

36) Regaling his family with details of the previous night's adventure, KJ announced that tonight he and Cue would make their luck happen once again.

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In the sentences below, underline and identify all verbals and verbal phrases. Clearly identify each as a verbal or verbal phrase. TELL HOW EACH FUNCTIONS. 2 pt. each

37) Sub-freezing temperatures greeted the two again as they sauntered out to drive the frozen roads.

38) Having found riches the night before, they decided to try the same location.

39) The two men, talking excitedly in soft, low tones, approached the unprotected dumpster and quickly stepped behind it and out of sight.

40) Emboldened by experience, Cue was working through his second well-filled garbage bag when KJ hissed, "Cops!"

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41) Knowing that KJ was a big jokester and thinking that police would hardly guard garbage, Cue began stepping from behind the dumpster when KJ slammed him against a snow bank.

42) Chastened, Cue peered around the corner of the bin to see a police car pull slowly away.

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VI. CLAUSES

Identify the dependent clause(s) underlined in the following sentences (relative or subordinate) and THEN DESCRIBE THE FUNCTION OF EACH WITHIN THE SENTENCE, for example as subject, direct object, indirect object, adjective, adverb, etc. The number of lines below each sentence accurately signals the number of dependent clauses that you should find. 1 pt. each

43) The boys were pretty much spooked by then and since pickings were slim here, they decided to try another restaurant.

44) Thinking that they might as well put some distance between here and there, they drove across the river to a Burger Palace that was near KJ's workplace.

45) The restaurant, which was at the end of a deserted strip mall, was extremely well lit with a car and an eighteen wheeler parked in its lot.

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46) It seemed as if the truck, with its side-door open and ramp stretching to the ground, was unloading supplies.

47) After a brief discussion in which they contemplated stealing cases of unused cups from the truck, they decided that this spot was too hot for a dumpster dive.

Identify any dependent clause(s) in the following sentences as relative or subordinate. Place them in brackets and then DESCRIBE THE FUNCTION OF EACH, for example as subject, direct object, indirect object, adjective, adverb, etc. 2 pt. each

48) As they drove to the next location, they discussed the promotion which had inspired their outings.

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49) Some junior executive in sales, who probably thought he was a hot shot, had decided to team up with an airline: sixty coupons that were cut from sixty soft drink cups distributed as part of a combo meal could be redeemed for one free airline ticket anywhere in the continental United States of America.

50) Even though sixty such meals might seriously impact the health of some customers, given the short window of the promotion, KJ knew of people who were trying to eat their way to free tickets.

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51) Surely whoever had dreamed up the promotion would be demoted when franchise owners across the nation began to complain about plundered dumpsters.

52) When they arrived at what they agreed would be their final location, they were pleased to find a dark and deserted parking lot.

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53) Because the dumpster was quite far back in the corner and surrounded by a fence, they felt that this was a safe location where they would be able to work in peace as they searched for the requisite number of cups.

54) As they stealthily approached they heard low voices; a young man and woman had beaten them to the spot.

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55. Cue was tugging at KJ's sleeve to get him to back out when KJ broke the silence, speaking with authority.

Circle the correct pronoun. 1 pt. each

56) "You two trespassers **who/whom** are behind the fence come on out."

57) The couple, **who/whom** Cue pitied, peered out from behind the fence, quite scared.

58) "Dumpster security," said KJ to the couple: "**Whoever/whomever** those cups were meant for, they certainly weren't meant for you."

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VII. EVERYTHING

In the following sentences, answer the questions posed below. 2 pt. each

59) As the couple, unable to move, stood mutely before him, KJ paused, then added:

“Get out of here, kids, but leave those cups!”

How do the words “unable to move” function in sentence 59?

60) Dropping their haul, they quickly walked to a darkened car secluded in a far parking lot.

Explain how the words “darkened” and “secluded” function in sentence 60.

61) Poor kids, thought Cue; there must be nearly one hundred cups here.

Identify and explain how the words “Poor kids” and “cups” each function in sentence 61.

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62) As they pulled out of the parking lot, KJ and Cue saw the first streaks of dawn and decided to celebrate by heading to an all night diner that was located on the west shore.

(this answer worth 4 points)

Identify all dependent clauses and verbals and verbal phrases in sentence 62. How does each function?

63) The next morning, the cleaning of the cups was a nasty affair.

Identify and explain the function of "The next morning" in sentence 63.

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64) Scrubbing and rinsing and making liberal use of dish soap, Cue, always ready for a mess, washed cup after cup before passing them to KJ who dried each carefully.

Turn sentence 64 into the opposite voice.

65) Cue’s total for two nights was an even sixty cups; KJ, who had been out on several previous nights, totaled one hundred fifty four.

Identify and explain the function of “sixty” and “one hundred fifty four” in sentence 65.

66) KJ was going to take the family to Myrtle Beach, and Cue thought he would head to Vegas for a long weekend.

Explain the internal grammar of “he would head to Vegas for a long weekend”; how do those words work as a unit within sentence 66?

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Extra Credit

Just as Cue had surmised, when the cups were brought into the house, they were thawed, and the fragrance of the dumpster filled the kitchen.

In the sentence above, turn both main clauses into the opposite voice – this is tricky, but it can be done. 4 points.
