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1 Benjamin Franklin lived in Philadelphia. He was a statesman, a writer, and an inventor. Which sentence would be **irrelevant** in a paragraph that started in this way?

A Ben Franklin started the first library.
B Franklin liked to experiment with kites.
C Ben Franklin helped write laws.
D Franklin wanted a fire department.



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A Cans and bottles can be recycled.
B Recycling takes a little effort by everyone.
C Throwing things away is not a good plan.
D A scout troop sells trees at Christmas.



3 Texas is a very large state. Austin is its capital. People speak both Spanish and English. Many people work in the oil industry. There are football games every Friday night. Texans are proud to live in Texas. Which sentence is **irrelevant** in this brief description of Texas?

A Austin is its capital.

4 Which sentence is **irrelevant** to the topic: **Making money at home?**

A People go to work by taking a bus or train.
B Home business can be very successful.
C There are many types of home businesses.



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A Slavery is wrong.
B All people deserve equal rights.
C Civil rights are misunderstood.
D People need to be kind.



Which is a **relevant** sentence for this article?

A Japanese artists often paint dragonflies.
B Dragonflies are scary.
C People think dragonflies bite.
D Dragonflies help keep swamps free of bugs.

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D ... to perform very specific movements.



10 People love to go to Disney World because there is something for everyone. There are rides, displays, shops, shows, and places to eat. Each day, there is at least one parade. Many parents take their children there for family vacations. Which **idea** is **relevant**?

A Minnie lives next door to Mickey.
B Restaurants serve meals for adults and children.
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ANSWER KEY

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(c)

Which sentence is irrelevant to the topic: Making money at home?



- A People go to work by taking a bus or train.
- B Home business can be very successful.
- C There are many types of home businesses.
- D Gina earned money making bracelets.

(a)



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