



Sentence Purpose Identification

Name _____ Class _____ Date _____

1 Getting elected to office takes a lot of money and a lot of hard work. A candidate must persuade people that he is the right person. His message must be strong and acceptable to the voters. **What might the concluding sentence be for this paragraph?**

A Shy, timid people do not get elected.
B Winning an election is a piece of cake.
C People like candidates who are funny.
D Candidates who smile get elected.

2 Put ketchup or mustard on your burger if you like. Hamburgers are America's favorite food. They are delicious with cheese. Some people like onions. People eat them at picnics. Schools serve them for lunch. **What is the topic sentence in this paragraph?**

A Put ketchup or mustard on your burger.
B Hamburgers are America's favorite food.
C They are delicious with cheese.
D Schools serve them for lunch.

3 Airports are busy, city-like places. As the planes land, people begin moving. The ticket counters are always busy. The food court serves hundreds of meals each hour. There are no quiet places. **What is the topic sentence in this paragraph?**

A The ticket counters are always busy.

4 A good **topic** sentence for a newspaper article about the Internet might be, "The internet is the information super-highway for the 21st century."



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A All kinds of boaters are out on the water.
B Boats come in different sizes and colors.
C Boats are very expensive.
D The harbor also stores campers.



What might the concluding sentence be?

A Zebras are cuter than any other animal.
B Baby animals always draw a crowd.
C Meerkats have their own TV show.
D Zebras in zoos don't have babies.

9 Tall office buildings are often seen in a city skyline. **This might be the topic sentence for a newspaper article describing the difference between cities and rural areas.**

A true
B false



10 The country fair invited people to show their most beautiful animals. **This might be a concluding sentence for an article about having a party at the beach.**

A true
B false





ANSWER KEY

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(b)

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(d)

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- D

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(a)

A true



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The country fair invited people to show their most beautiful animals.

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(b)

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