

## Part A

1. Which one is correct?
  - a. Jerry wants to go to the store cause he wants to buy some milk.
  - b. Jerry wants to go to the store cuz he wants to buy some milk
  - c. Both
  - d. None
  
2. Which one is correct?
  - a. The American flag have fifty stars and thirteen stripes.
  - b. The American flag has fifty star and thirteen stripe.
  - c. Both
  - d. None
  
3. Which one is correct?
  - a. I've always wanted to play this game!
  - b. I want to play this game!
  - c. Both
  - d. None
  
4. Which one is correct?
  - a. Samantha's brother is very caring, he cheered her up.
  - b. Samanthas brother is very caring, he cheered her up.
  - c. Both
  - d. None
  
5. Which one is correct?
  - a. Why would you said something like that?
  - b. Why would you say something like that?
  - c. Both
  - d. None
  
6. Which one is correct?
  - a. Finally! I can sleep in peace although the lights are off.
  - b. Finally! I can sleep in peace because the lights are off.
  - c. Both
  - d. None

How many did you answer correctly? \_\_\_\_\_

## Part B

1. I will have had five pancakes once I finish this one! How many pancakes have I already eaten?
2. Fix this sentence: “Mary ran to the grocery store, her husband wanted some milk.”
3. Our problem is that we’re too self-aware of ourselves. Identify the problem in one word.
4. Compare these two sentences below. Which one would you prefer? Identify the problem in one word.
  - a) He showed satisfaction as he took possession of his well-earned reward.
  - b) He grinned as he pocketed the coin.
5. Is this sentence grammatically correct? If not, what should it be?

Mary likes to speak to whomever would listen.
6. Which one is correct?
  - a) Yesterday, I laid in the grass to daydream.
  - b) Yesterday I lay in the grass to daydream.
  - c) Yesterday, I was laying in the grass to daydream.

**How many did you answer correctly? \_\_\_\_\_**

*(Note: No partial credit. You need to answer all questions in a particular line correctly.)*

## Part C

1. In John Updike's paragraph on "Consider the Beer Can," he wrote: "It was beautiful – as beautiful as the clothespin, as inevitable as the wine bottle, as dignified and reassuring as the fire hydrant." What is the predominant figure of speech here?
  - a) Personification
  - b) Metaphor
  - c) Simile
  - d) Anthropomorphism
2. Please read the following passage:

We have no quarrel with the German people. We have no feeling toward them but one of sympathy and friendship. It was not upon their impulse that their government acted in entering this war. It was not with their previous knowledge or approval. It was a war determined upon as wars used to be determined upon in the old, unhappy days when peoples were nowhere consulted by their rulers and wars were provoked and waged in the interest of dynasties or of little groups of ambitious men who were accustomed to use their fellowmen as pawns and tools.

From "Wilson's War Message to Congress," President Wilson, April 2, 1917

What is Wilson's message?

- a) Germany as a whole is, without a shadow of a doubt, the most abominable country in the world.
  - b) America harbors sympathy for small groups of ambitious men in Germany.
  - c) America has no reason to hate the German people, who are unfortunately misguided by a small group of aggressors.
  - d) The German people were asked for their approval upon entering the war, but the Americans still sympathize with their decision.
3. "It is a truth universally acknowledged, that a single man in possession of a good fortune must be in want of a wife. However little known the feelings or views of such a man may be on his first entering a neighbourhood, this truth is so well fixed in the minds of the surrounding families, that he is considered as the rightful property of some one or other of their daughters." (Taken from *Pride & Prejudice*.) What is the author's tone?
    - a) Sincere
    - b) Apologetic
    - c) Ironic
    - d) Respectful
  4. "The notes of a distant song which some one was singing reached her faintly, and countless sparrows were twittering in the eaves." (Taken from "The Story of an Hour.") What figure of speech is used here?
    - a) Metaphor
    - b) Onomatopoeia
    - c) Simile
    - d) Juxtaposition
  5. Take a look at this first line from E.B. White's essay, "Progress and Change": "In resenting progress and change, a man lays himself open to censure." Which of the following would support this topic sentence?
    - a) As the new Tesla finally rolled onto the stage, the crowd erupted with applause.
    - b) Robert criticized his brother for using a French press rather than a Keurig this morning even though they had to leave for work soon.
    - c) The city marveled at how quickly the bullet train could cross the entire country with very little noise.
    - d) Mary criticized her mother for not completing census because of its importance in the House seat count.

How many did you answer correctly? \_\_\_\_\_