

Commas (Advanced)

1. In 1908, the writer, Gertrude Stein, was known around the world for her amazing parties, which were always well-attended by the leading intellectuals of the time. She had moved to Paris in 1903, and, since then, luminaries such as Pablo Picasso and Ernest Hemingway would often meet in her salon.
A) NO CHANGE
B) writer, Gertrude Stein
C) writer Gertrude Stein,
D) writer Gertrude Stein
2. One scientist, Dr. Rebecca Presser, claims that the oceans will be adversely affected, leading to disastrous global consequences, if we do not act soon. These consequences are increasingly becoming more and more immediately visible across the world.
A) NO CHANGE
B) scientist, Dr. Rebecca Presser
C) scientist Dr. Rebecca Presser,
D) scientist Dr. Rebecca Presser
3. We are excited in anticipation of this weekend for Ronald McDonald himself will be in attendance this Saturday.
A) NO CHANGE
B) weekend, for Ronald McDonald, himself,
C) weekend, for Ronald McDonald himself
D) weekend, for Ronald McDonald, himself
4. Starting a band has been difficult, because Gertrude and Jeffrey play guitar and piano, respectively, but nobody plays the drums.
A) NO CHANGE
B) difficult because Gertrude and Jeffrey play guitar and piano, respectively,
C) difficult, because Gertrude and Jeffrey play guitar and piano, respectively
D) difficult because Gertrude and Jeffrey play guitar and piano, respectively
5. The shiny glass mirror displayed the queen's true nature in all its horrid, naked, glory.
A) NO CHANGE
B) its, horrid, naked, glory.
C) its horrid, naked, glory.
D) its horrid, naked glory.
6. The TV show *SpongeBob SquarePants* originated from many, of creator and animator, Stephen Hillenburg's ideas from his earlier unpublished book, *The Intertidal Zone*.
A) NO CHANGE
B) many, of creator and animator Stephen Hillenburg's,
C) many of creator and animator Stephen Hillenburg's
D) many, of creator and animator Stephen Hillenburg's

7. My baseball cards are unique in that they are antique cards, featuring old or random players, who played over a century ago.
- A) NO CHANGE
 - B) cards featuring old, or random, players
 - C) cards, featuring old, or random players
 - D) cards, featuring old or random players
8. Even though he was an irascible, unpleasant person, King Henry VIII, of England, had six wives: Catherine of Aragon, whom he divorced because she was Catholic; Anne Boleyn, whom he had beheaded since she didn't bear him a son; Jane Seymour, who died shortly after they married; Catherine Howard, who allegedly committed adultery and was beheaded; and Catherine Parr, to whom he remained married until he himself died.
- A) NO CHANGE
 - B) irascible unpleasant person, King Henry VIII of England had six
 - C) irascible, unpleasant person, King Henry VIII of England had six
 - D) irascible unpleasant person King Henry VIII, of England, had six
9. Scholars believe that the Greek author of the hymn "The Exaltation of Inanna" often uses the first person to identify herself to gods and mortals alike as the author of the hymn.
- A) NO CHANGE
 - B) to, gods and mortals alike,
 - C) to gods, and mortals alike
 - D) to gods and mortals alike,
10. Atlanta neighborhood Sweet Auburn was designated, in 1976, as a National Historic Landmark because of its cultural strengths, business assets, and social values.
- A) NO CHANGE
 - B) designated in 1976,
 - C) designated, in 1976
 - D) designated in 1976
11. Although *Iron Man* is a vastly better movie, than *Thor: The Dark World* it doesn't quite reach the rarified air of *The Avengers* or *Captain America: The Winter Soldier*.
- A) NO CHANGE
 - B) movie, than *Thor: The Dark World*,
 - C) movie than *Thor: The Dark World*,
 - D) movie than *Thor: The Dark World*
12. Approximately 14,000 years ago, the palace economy of Mycenaean Greece along with the Hittite Empire of Anatolia and Levant and other civilizations, mysteriously disintegrated, creating a transition period that historians now call the Late Bronze Age collapse.
- A) NO CHANGE
 - B) ago, the palace economy of Mycenaean Greece, along with
 - C) ago the palace economy of Mycenaean Greece, along with,
 - D) ago the palace economy of Mycenaean Greece along with,