

## Blizzard Bag #1: Paraphrase Practice

Read the original sentence and then choose the proper paraphrased version of that sentence.

1. Fatma worried about passing the very difficult test.
  - a. Receiving a passing grade on the difficult exam concerned Fatma.
  - b. Fatma was worried about receiving good marks on the test, which was very hard.
2. Three issues are especially crucial to understanding the possible uses of the human genome.
  - a. Three things are especially crucial to understanding the possible uses of the human genome.
  - b. Understanding potential uses of the human genome is linked to three vital issues.
3. While most people are aware of such medical possibilities, they are less aware of the fact that genes can also uncover a great deal about humankind's history and culture.
  - a. Many persons are aware of such medical possibilities, but they are less knowledgeable about people's history and culture.
  - b. Most people know that genes are linked to potential medical advances. However, what they do not realize is genes can also tell us about a society and its past.
4. On June 26 Francis Collins, head of the Human Genome Project, and Craig Venter, head of Celera Genomics, announced that they had completed thereading of a "rough draft" of the human genome - the complete set of human DNA.
  - a. On June 26 two scientists stated they had finished the initial reading of the human genome.
  - b. It was announced by two researched that they had read the first reading of the complete set of human DNA.
5. The fact that adult Europeans are twice as likely as Asians to tolerate lactose in milk reflects a much longer history of dairy farming in the West.
  - a. In comparison to Europeans, adult Asians have an inability to tolerate lactose in dairy products such as milk. This is because Europeans have had dairy farms longer than Asians.
  - b. Twice as few Asians can tolerate lactose in milk. However, the Europeans, who have a long history of dairy farming, can better tolerate the lactose.
6. The kidneys filter out glucose in the blood.
  - a. Glucose in the blood is filtered out by the kidneys.
  - b. Glucose is in the blood, and the kidneys filter it out.
7. Kidneys have a vital role in the process of filtration of the body.
  - a. The kidneys, playing a vital role in the body, are involved in filtering.
  - b. A vital role in the process of filtration of the body is played by the kidneys.
8. Lack of calcium can result in malformed teeth.
  - a. Misshapen teeth are caused by an insufficient intake of calcium.
  - b. Insufficient calcium can result in malformed teeth. One effect is is misshapen teeth.

9. Bringing home the POWs is supported by the people of Kuwait.
  - a. The people in Kuwait support that the POWs be returned.
  - b. The Kuwait public supports the return of its POWs.
  
10. Anxiety is a feeling. It occurs when someone dreads something unknown.
  - a. Anxiety, which is a feeling, is felt by people who do not know why they are uneasy.
  - b. The feeling of anxiety results when someone is uneasy but doesn't know why.
  
11. Deserts cover one fifth of the surface of the Earth.
  - a. Deserts cover one fifth of the Earth.
  
  - b. One fifth of the Earth's surface is desert.
  
  - c. Deserts cover more than half of the Earth's surface.
  
- 12. Brazil is the largest country in South America and Suriname is the smallest.**
  - a. The biggest country in South America is Brazil, while the tiniest is Suriname.
  - b. Suriname and Brazil the largest and smallest countries in Brazil.
  - c. The largest country is Brazil and the smallest country is Suriname, and they are both countries in Brazil.
  - d. The two countries of Brazil and Suriname are two countries in Brazil.
  
- 13. A high school student usually has summer reading assignments.**
  - a. A high school student always has homework assignments in the summer.
  - b. It is common for students in high school to have summer reading assignments.
  - c. Usually school aged students have summer reading assignments.
  - d. Most summer school students have high school reading to do.
  
- 14. Dragonflies have six legs, but they can't walk.**
  - a. Dragonflies have six legs but cannot walk, and I think that this is odd.
  - b. Dragonflies have six legs.
  - c. Although Dragonflies have six legs, they cannot walk at all.
  - d. Even though they have six legs, dragonflies can't walk.