



Grade 4 Revising and Editing

2020 Sample Selections and Test Questions

Set 1

EDITING

Read the selection and choose the best answer to each question. Then fill in the answer on your answer document.

Jaden wrote a story about a boy's search for a gift. Read this paragraph from Jaden's story and look for corrections Jaden needs to make. Then answer the questions that follow.

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(6) Suddenly Dale had a bright ideas. (7) He would write a poem about his teacher called "Our Guide." (8) His kind words would be the best gift for Mrs. Smith. (9) He smiled as he imagined how happy his gift would make her.

1 What change should be made in sentence 2?

- A Change ***thought*** to **thinks**
- B Change ***him*** to **himself**
- C Change ***is*** to **are**
- D Delete the period after ***enough***

2 What change should be made in sentence 4?

- F Change ***finded*** to **found**
- G Change ***would be*** to **had been**
- H Change ***his*** to **their**
- J Change ***favorite*** to **more favorite**

3 What change should be made in sentence 6?

- A Change ***Suddenly*** to **Sudden**
- B Change ***had*** to **have**
- C Change ***bright*** to **brightly**
- D Change ***ideas*** to **idea**

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4 What change should be made in sentence 3?

- F Change *nervous* to **nervis**
- G Change *riding* to **rode**
- H Change *and* to **but**
- J Change *seemed* to **seems**

5 What change should be made in sentence 5?

- A Change *past* to **passed**
- B Delete the comma after *cliffs*
- C Change *cactus* to **Cactus**
- D Change *trees* to **tree**

6 What change, if any, should be made in sentence 6?

- F Change *Pepper's* to **Peppers**
- G Change *feet* to **foot**
- H Change *came* to **come**
- J No change is needed.

REVISING

Read the selection and choose the best answer to each question. Then fill in the answer on your answer document.

Julie wrote the following paper after learning about a children's business fair. Read Julie's paper and look for any revisions she needs to make. Then answer the questions that follow.

The Acton Children's Business Fair

(1) Rows of white tents cover a huge lawn at the Acton Children's Business Fair in Austin, Texas. (2) Inside the tents children talk excitedly about topics like slime, magic tricks, and pet daycare. (3) Since 2007, children aged 6 to 14 have been rewarded for their ideas and creativity at this fair. (4) It is a place where children can sell things they make to others. (5) The fair is fun, and it can also be profitable.

(6) Jeff and Laura Sandefer worked with the Acton Academy to help start the first fair. (7) This event was small, but it was fun and successful. (8) The Sandefers invited neighborhood children to sell items they had made such as cupcakes and artwork. (9) The goal was to give children an opportunity to participate in the business world and to make money doing something they loved. (10) Children also enjoyed learning about business ownership.

(11) Today the Acton Children's Business Fair is much larger than the first fair. (12) It still has the same goal. (13) Children are required to be in charge of all parts of their businesses. (14) The first requirement is that the children must make and sell their own products and services. (15) Most importantly, they have to fill out their own application form to be part of the fair. (16) They also have to set up their own booths.

(17) Although parents may attend the fair, they are not allowed to help sell products or services. (18) In fact, parents may not even answer questions from possible buyers. (19) This rule helps children learn how to communicate with customers and make business decisions. (20) Because of this rule, children learn about running a business.

(21) One successful business at a recent fair was called "Slimy Hannah." (22) At this booth, fourth grader Hannah Nguyen sold slime that she had made by herself with no help from her parents.

(23) Hannah worked hard to advertise her booth at the fair and on social media. (24) Hannah's hard work paid off because she made more than \$400 in 3 hours.

(25) Over time the event has grown in popularity. (26) Now there are Acton Children's Business Fairs in cities across the country. (27) The fairs give many children hands-on experience running a business.

(28) For some young people, the fairs may even lead to a successful career. (29) The Acton Children's Business Fairs help prepare the future business leaders of tomorrow.

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- 7 Julie needs a more clearly stated central idea. Which sentence **BEST** replaces sentence 4 to improve the central idea of her paper?
- A It is a place where anything can happen as long as the kids are excited about their ideas.
 - B It is a place where young people can sell things to other people who attend the fair.
 - C It is a place where parents can enjoy watching their children learn about business.
 - D It is a place where young people who run their own businesses can make money by selling their products or services.
- 8 Julie forgot to add the following detail to the second paragraph (sentences 6–10).

The first fair was made up of a few tables in the Sandefers' yard.

Where should this sentence be added?

- F After sentence 6
 - G After sentence 8
 - H After sentence 9
 - J After sentence 10
- 9 What is the **BEST** way to combine sentences 11 and 12?
- A Today the Acton Children's Business Fair is much larger than the first fair, so it still has the same goal.
 - B Today the Acton Children's Business Fair is much larger than the first fair, it still has the same goal.
 - C Today the Acton Children's Business Fair is much larger than the first fair, but it still has the same goal.
 - D Today the Acton Children's Business Fair is much larger than the first fair, or it still has the same goal.

- 10** Which transition **BEST** replaces *Most importantly* at the beginning of sentence 15?
- F** Instead
 - G** In addition
 - H** In other words
 - J** Finally
- 11** What is the **MOST** effective revision to make in sentence 22?
- A** At this booth, fourth grader Hannah Nguyen sold slime, she had made it by herself with no help from her parents.
 - B** At this booth, fourth grader Hannah Nguyen sold slime that she had made by herself.
 - C** With no help from her parents, fourth grader Hannah Nguyen sold slime that she had made by herself at this booth.
 - D** With no help from her parents, fourth grader Hannah Nguyen sold slime at the booth that she made by herself.
- 12** Julie wants to use a more specific word than *made* in sentence 24. Which word **BEST** replaces this word?
- F** got
 - G** had
 - H** earned
 - J** created

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- A Change ***had looked*** to **had looking**
- B Change ***at*** to **with**
- C Insert a comma after ***cards***
- D Change ***flowers*** to **flours**

2 What change should be made in sentence 5?

- F Change ***speshal*** to **special**
- G Change ***whose*** to **who**
- H Change ***encouraged*** to **encourages**
- J Change ***him*** to **he**

3 What change should be made in sentence 7?

- A Change ***would write*** to **written**
- B Change ***poem*** to **Poem**
- C Change ***about*** to **at**
- D Change ***our Guide*** to **Our Guide**

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G Change *large* to **larger**

H Delete the word **so**

J Change *by* to **from**

5 What change, if any, should be made in sentence 4?

A Change *relaxed* to **relaxing**

B Change *her* to **my**

C Change *surroundings* to **suroundings**

D No change is needed.

6 What change should be made in sentence 7?

F Change *had reached* to **are reaching**

G Change *canyons* to **canyon's**

H Insert a comma after **top**

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- A Excitedly, children talk inside the tents about topics like slime, magic tricks, and pet daycare.
 - B Children talk excitedly about topics inside the tents like slime, magic tricks, and pet daycare.
 - C Inside the tents children talk excitedly about topics like slime, magic tricks, and pet daycare.
 - D Children talk inside the tents about topics like slime, magic tricks, and pet daycare excitedly.
- 8 Julie wants to use a more descriptive word than **have** in sentence 6. Which word should replace **have** in this sentence?
- F start
 - G make
 - H invent
 - J produce
- 9 Which sentence should Julie add after sentence 17 to **BEST** support the ideas in the fourth paragraph (sentences 17–19).
- A In fact, parents may not even answer questions from possible buyers.
 - B However, parents do enjoy watching their children spend time with their peers.
 - C But there are many other ways that parents can support their children at the fair.
 - D After all, a parent could charge a customer the wrong price for a product.
- 10 Which transition should be added to the beginning of sentence 25?
- F Fortunately
 - G Then
 - H Certainly
 - J Now

- 11** Which sentence should Julie add after sentence 27 to improve the conclusion of her paper?
- A** Every year more children participate in the fair.
 - B** The Acton Children’s Business Fair might lead to more products designed by children in stores.
 - C** It is amazing what children can do when adults support them.
 - D** The Acton Children’s Business Fairs help prepare the future business leaders of tomorrow.

Answer Key

Item Number Correct Answer
Set 1

1	B
2	F
3	D
4	H
5	A
6	J
7	D
8	F
9	C
10	G
11	B
12	H

Set 2

1	C
2	F
3	D
4	F
5	B
6	G
7	C
8	F
9	A
10	J
11	D