

1.1 ANSWER KEY

1) Nouns: Suzy, Rick, street, bus stop, bench, pair

Verbs: walked, sitting, arrived

2) Nouns: Suzy, pigeon, building, street

Verbs: saw, perching, was

3) Nouns: Suzy, Rick, joy, bird horizon

Verbs: pointed, flew

****Note:** She, he, it, etc...are pronouns, not nouns.

Although some categorize pronouns as a subclass of nouns, they are generally accepted to be a separate part of speech by many linguists.

****Note:** In #1, "bus stop" is a compound noun and counts as one noun.

1.2 - Word of the Week:
TENTATIVE
SUGGESTED ANSWER KEY

Dictionary Definition: Done as an experiment or as a trial; not definite or positive

Synonym #1: Unsure

Synonym #2 Uncertain

Picture: Grade at your discretion

Meaningful Sentence:

Before we started the science experiment, I had a tentative idea that temperature affected viscosity, and the experiment showed I was correct after all.

1.3 ANSWER KEY

- 1) Question Mark
- 2) Period
- 3) Exclamation Mark
- 4) Period
- 5) Exclamation Mark
- 6) Question Mark
- 7) Period

1.4 ANSWER KEY

- 1) Healthy as an ox
- 2) Suggested/possible answers:
 - 1) The house felt as hot as a summer's day (summer days are very hot, shows the house is hot)
 - 2) The test seemed as long as a summer's day (summer is the season with the longest days, shows the test is long)
 - 3) The unusual autumn day was like a summer's day (summer days are warmer than autumn days, shows the day is warm)

1.5 ANSWER KEY

- HINT: You need to find out what one box *is not* before you can figure out what the other boxes *are*.
- ANSWER:
- Since each box is incorrectly labelled, it can only have the contents of what the other two boxes' labels are. (ex: the PINEAPPLE box can only have BOTH or just GRAPES)
- Pick first from the PINEAPPLES AND GRAPES box. Label it with whatever fruit you pick, label the box with *that* fruit label the PINEAPPLES AND GRAPES box, and the final box is the sole remaining fruit.
- Eg: If you pick a pineapple from the PINEAPPLES AND GRAPES box, label that box PINEAPPLE. The original GRAPES box could have only contained pineapples OR pineapples and grapes, but since you have eliminated pineapples as an option, the GRAPES box becomes the PINEAPPLES AND GRAPES box. This leaves the original PINEAPPLE box as containing grapes, so label it GRAPES.

2.1 ANSWER KEY

The two adjectives of each sentence are identified; the word filling in the blank should be an appropriate adjective as well. Use your own judgment as to whether it fits the blank or not.

- 1) skilled, good, suggested fill in the blanks: big, personal, small
- 2) Difficult, delicious, suggested fill in the blanks: fun, twentieth, next
- 3) Five, that, suggested fill in the blanks: good, awesome, terrific

2.2 – Word of the Week:
ANTICIPATE
SUGGESTED ANSWER KEY

Dictionary Definition: To realize before hand; foretaste or foresee

Synonym #1: Expect

Synonym #2: Look forward to

Picture: Grade at
your discretion

Meaningful Sentence: For months John anticipated the new Avengers movie, and when it finally came, he was glad that his patience had paid off.

2.3 ANSWER KEY

- 1) Trina and Trent wanted to head on a vacation; they were tired of work.
- 2) Trina wanted to go somewhere cold; Trent wanted to go somewhere warm.
- 3) NO SEMICOLON NEEDED
- 4) Trent just wanted to lay on a beach; he also wanted to drink a tropical drink from a pineapple.
- 5) The two debated about what would be a good compromise; New Zealand seemed like a nice choice.
- 6) NO SEMICOLON NEEDED

2.4 ANSWER KEY

- Practice #1: singing, swaing, cycling (all begin with the “s” sound, despite *cycling* starting with the letter ‘c’)
- Practice #2 Suggested/possible answers:
Canes cracking under crinkling crunchy candy
Candid cameras cracking complicated codes

2.5 ANSWER KEY

- **HINT:** The wardens are completely aware of each others' personalities.
- **ANSWER:** Ask one of the wardens what the other would say if asked which door was safe. Then, go through the other door.
- **EXPLANATION:** If you ask the truthful warden, he will tell you what door the lying warden says is safe, which would be a lie. That means the other door is the safe one.
- If you ask the lying warden, he will tell a lie about the truth from the truthful warden, therefore, the other door is the safe one.

3.1 ANSWER KEY

- 1) quickly, often, *suggested fill in the blanks*: finally
- 2) Never, quite, *suggested fill in the blanks*: very, abundantly
- 3) Carefully, deeply, *suggested fill in the blanks*: thoroughly, excitedly, happily

3.2 – Word of the Week:
TREACHEROUS
SUGGESTED ANSWER KEY

Dictionary Definition: Characterized by faithless or willingness to betray trust

Synonym #1: Untrustworthy

Synonym #2: Traitorous

Picture: Grade at your discretion

Meaningful Sentence: Billy found out that his teammate was treacherous when he caught the other boy bribing the score-keeper to add points to the other team's scoreboard.

3.3 ANSWER KEY

- 1) Sally thought about what she needed from the grocery store: ground chicken, zucchini, and onions.
- 2) She left her house around 4:10 in the afternoon.
- 3) NO COLONS NEEDED
- 4) Sally sighed: she was frustrated, she was tired, and she was hungry.
- 5) Instead of grocery shopping, she finally decided at 5:30 to give up, find a fast food restaurant, and go home.

**Note: Colon not required here because the series is part of the verb phrase “to give up...”
- 6) On the coffee she ordered from the restaurant, the note read “Caution: Coffee hot when fresh.”

3.4 ANSWER KEY

- Practice #1: “He felt like he could drink an entire river”
- This shows that the subject of the sentence is very thirsty indeed.
- Practice #2 POSSIBLE ANSWERS:
- “He felt lonely enough to be the only person in the universe.”
- “Even though she had her friend, Emma felt like literally no one in her class liked her.”

3.5 ANSWER KEY

- HINT: The car driver was not in an emergency, nor were they driving in reverse.
- ANSWER: The car driver was walking, not driving. Nowhere in the riddle does it say that the driver was driving, it only describes what the person *is*.

4.1 ANSWER KEY

** Note: Some questions have multiple acceptable conjunctions. Listed below are options for answers.

- 1) and, or
- 2) But, yet
- 3) So, and
- 4) So, and
- 5) Or

4.2 – Word of the Week:
RETRIEVE
SUGGESTED ANSWER KEY

Dictionary Definition: To bring back to; to make good or repair

Synonym #1: Regain

Synonym #2: Recover

Picture: Grade at your
discretion

Meaningful Sentence: Crystal's mother asked her to retrieve the groceries from the car and bring them inside, but Crystal forgot, and the milk spoiled because it was left outside for seven hours.

4.3 ANSWER KEY

1. The swift, lithe fox was adored by all the visitors to the zoo.
2. Her name was Betsy, and she loved to perform tricks.
3. People from all over the world came to see Betsy juggle hoola hoops.
4. One of the most talented foxes ever, she remains at the zoo today, spoiled and happy.

4.4 ANSWER KEY

- Practice #1: “the crisp, refreshing wind on her face, like a million microscopic snowflakes were rejuvenating her”
- Practice #2: POSSIBLE ANSWERS:
 - “He grabbed the bright red apple and bit into it, the refreshing taste making him feel like he was riding a rainbow balloon of happiness.”
 - “She grinned as she walked towards the ferris wheel; it’s twinkling decorations sparkling like night lights in the night sky.”

4.5 ANSWER KEY

- HINT: The police ONLY know that the murderer's name is John and that he is in the house.
- ANSWER: The carpenter, taxi driver, and mechanic are all women. They know the fireman is the murderer because the riddle mentions 'John' using male pronouns. The other job titles don't mention a gender, only fireman.