

DANGLING MODIFIERS

1. The Manager, ~~as well as~~ ^{and} his assistants, are going to the Conference.

→ The manager along with his assistants, is going to attend the Conference.

2. The Problem was discussed in detail, and a solution was found and implemented quickly and with efficiency.

→ They discussed the problem in depth, found the solution and implemented it efficiently.

3. Neither of the answers ~~are~~ ^{is} correct.

→ Neither of the two answers was correct.

4. Being a rainy day, we stayed indoors.

→ Since it was a rainy day, we stayed in doors.

5. The Committee disagree about the Proposal.

→ The Committee disagreed with the Proposal.

6. I like to Swimming, to read and jogging.

→ I like to do swimming, reading and jogging.

7. The new policy will effect many employees.
→ The new policy will affect many employees.

8. The reason ~~because~~ he left ~~was~~^{is} because he was sick.
→ He left because he was sick.

9. There is many students waiting outside.
→ There are many students waiting outside.

10. When only five years old, his father died.
→ When he was ~~only~~ five years old, his father died.

11. If anyone wants their money back, they must apply tomorrow.
→ Anyone who ~~wants~~ a refund, ~~they~~ must apply by tomorrow.

12. The ~~color~~ car, red in color, is mine.
→ The red car is mine.

13. The data shows that the results ~~are~~ is improving.
→ The data ~~show~~ that the results are improving.

14. To win the game requires focus, determination, and

you must practice daily.

→ Winning the game requires focus, determination and daily practice. ✓

15. The teacher gave them homework and told them to study it carefully, which made them frustrated.

→ The teacher gave the students homework to study carefully, which made them frustrated. ✓

16. More better facilities are being provided in the hostel.

→ ~~Much~~ Better facilities are being provided at the hostel.

17. The company must reduce expenses, improve efficiency, and it should focus on customer service.

→ The company must reduce expenses, improve efficiency and focus on customer service. ✓

18. The list of items are on the desk.

→ The list of items is on the desk. ✓

19. Walking down the street, the flowers were blooming everywhere.

white → Walking down the street, I saw ~~the~~ flowers blooming everywhere.

20. Each of ~~the~~ boys have done ~~their~~ homework.
→ Each of the boys has done ~~his~~ homework.

21. She runs quicker than anyone in her class.
→ She runs faster than anyone in her class.

22. The teacher and ~~the~~ Principal was present at the meeting.
→ The teacher and ~~the~~ Principal were present at the meeting.

23. I enjoyed the movie because it was entertaining and to learn.
→ I enjoyed the movie because it was entertaining and educational.

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PRECIS SAMPLE PRACTICE

1. He was hard up for money and was being pressed by his creditor.

→ He was dunned for money.

2. They acted in a manner that rendered them liable to prosecution.

→ Their deeds made them answerable before law.

3. The account the witness gave of the incident moved everyone that heard it to laughter.

MADE EVERYONE LAUGH

→ The stance of the witness about the ~~incident~~ burst everyone into laughter.

OR

→ The testimony of the witness about the incident burst everyone into laughter.

4. His courage in the battle field might without exaggeration be called lion-like.

→ He fought bravely in the battle field.

5. The England of our days is strong and the Spain of our days is so feeble, that it is not possible, without some reflection and care, to comprehend the full extent of the peril ~~with~~ ^{which} England had from the power and ambition of Spain in the 16th Century.

→ England of ~~today~~ ^{now} is much powerful ~~in contrast~~ to ~~Spain~~ ^{to day}. ~~Careful~~ ~~thoughtful~~ ~~ness~~ ~~is~~ ~~required~~ ~~to~~ ~~understand~~ ~~the~~ ~~danger~~ ~~England~~ ~~face~~ ~~ed~~ ~~from~~ ~~Spain~~ ~~in~~ ~~the~~ ~~16th~~ ~~Century~~