

A. The “predicate” is a group of words which tell us what is happening with the subject. Which is a better predicate for the following sentences? Circle the correct answer.

1. A flying fish...
a. jumped out of the water
b. was filled with chocolate eggs
2. Fire trucks...
a. rushed towards the red tent
b. rushed towards the burning building
3. Everyone...
a. was growing flowers in the field
b. had a wonderful time at her birthday party
4. The zookeeper...
a. fed the hungry animals in their cages
b. brought a present for their family
5. The animals...
a. climbed the trees to escape the flooding water
b. studied for their exams all night long
6. Twenty-five bicycles...
a. were found floating in the river
b. zoomed down the road during the race
7. The movie...
a. is the longest one ever made
b. is watching it at 9:30
8. The cartoon...
a. has been airing since 1993
b. gave us many gifts last year
9. The guitar player...
a. spent \$3000 to buy new drums
b. played for over 10 years
10. His backpack...
a. is a magical kitten that can cast spells when it is in danger
b. holds all of his stationery and books

B. Which is a better predicate for the following sentences? Circle the correct answer.

1. The sunshine...
 - a. feels so warm on my skin
 - b. is cold like ice
2. The young children...
 - a. had broad wings and feathers
 - b. were playing hide and seek?
3. The clown's red nose...
 - a. helps me find him in the crowd
 - b. looks like an apple
4. ...several excellent cookbooks.
 - a. At the bottom of the lake, there are
 - b. On top of the fridge, there are
5. The country of Canada...
 - a. is very cold in winter
 - b. has a blue coat with red button

C. Fix the paragraph by adding the predicates below in the proper order.

- A. went swimming one last time
- B. didn't want to go
- C. convinced them to come, though
- D. hate camping
- E. before we left
- F. ate a bag of marshmallows for dinner because we forgot the other food
- G. will never forget my first camping trip with a group of my friends
- H. spent the whole day swimming in the river and setting up our tent

I will never forget my first camping trip with a group of my friends.

My two best friends, Jenny and Molly, _____.

They _____.

I _____.

We _____.

Then, we _____.

_____.

we _____.

