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It was raining outside.

We had to have indoor recess.

- a. It was raining outside, so we had to have indoor recess.
- b. It was raining. Outside, so we had to have indoor recess.
- c. It was raining, but we had to have indoor recess.
- d. It was, and raining, so we had to have indoor recess.

2. What is the best way to combine these two sentences?

You need to be quiet.

You will have to miss recess.

- a. You need to be quiet, and you will have to miss recess.
- b. You need to be quiet, or you will have to miss recess.
- c. You need to be quiet, but you will have to miss recess.
- d. You need to be quiet, so you will have to miss recess.

3. What is the best way to combine these two sentences?

I like going to PE.

I like going to art more.

- a. I like going to PE, so I like going to art more.
- b. I like going to PE but I like going to art more.
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4. What change needs to be made in the sentence below?

The clouds sometimes signal rain but it hardly ever means rain in Midland.

- a. Insert a comma after **rain**

- a. Insert a comma after **hardly**
- b. Insert a comma after **it**
- c. Insert a period after **signal**

5. What change needs to be made in the sentence below?

I forgot my permission slip at home so now I won't be able to go on the field trip.

- a. Insert a period after **permission**
- b. Insert a comma after **home**
- c. Insert a comma before **home**
- d. No change is needed

6. What change needs to be made in the sentence below?

When you're adding a number, you have to add the digit in the ones place, but my brother always adds the tens place first so he always gets it wrong.

- a. Insert a period after **brother**
- b. Insert a comma before **he**
- c. Insert a comma after **first**
- d. No change is needed

7. Write a short story with at least 4 compound sentences.

Answers

1. a

2. c

3. d

4. a

5. b

6. c

7. Answers will vary