Homework: Participial Openers (Dangling Modifiers)

Directions: Choose the answer that completes the sentence so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English.

Section A: Verb-ing Openers

1. Walking through the park, _____

A) the flowers looked beautiful.
B) Emma noticed a family of ducks.
C) the sunshine felt warm.
D) the tall trees lined the path.

2. Studying for the science test, _____

A) the textbook was very helpful.
B) Ken reviewed his notes carefully.
C) the homework became easier.
D) the classroom was quiet.

3. Crossing the busy street, _____

A) Aiko looked both ways.
B) the traffic lights changed quickly.
C) the cars were noisy.
D) the intersection was crowded.

4. Looking at the night sky, _____

A) the stars appeared bright.
B) Sora's telescope amazed everyone.
C) Sora spotted a shooting star.
D) the moon was easy to see.

Section B: Verb-ed Openers

5. Excited by the good news, _____

A) the celebration lasted all evening.
B) Mina called her grandparents.
C) the phone rang loudly.
D) the party was unforgettable.

6. Surprised by the result, _____

A) the experiment seemed unusual.
B) the announcement shocked everyone.
C) the students asked more questions.
D) the classroom became noisy.

7. Inspired by her teacher, _____

A) the lesson was interesting.
B) Yui practiced every day.
C) the homework improved.
D) the classroom felt welcoming.

8. Frightened by the thunder, _____

A) the storm became stronger.
B) the loud noise echoed.
C) the children ran inside.
D) the rain fell heavily.

Section C: Mixed Practice

9. Watching the cooking show, _____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A) the recipe looked delicious.
B) Taro's kitchen smelled wonderful.
C) Taro's mom learned a new technique.
D) the ingredients were fresh.

10. Encouraged by her friends, _____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A) the competition became exciting.
B) Hana entered the speech contest.
C) the audience applauded loudly.
D) the event lasted two hours.

11. Hiking up the mountain, _____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A) the fresh air felt cool.
B) the trail became steeper.
C) the tourists enjoyed the beautiful view.
D) the scenery was breathtaking.

12. Impressed by the painting, _____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A) the museum was crowded.
B) the colors were vivid.
C) Mrs. Tanaka stayed for several minutes.
D) the gallery opened at nine.

13. Carefully reviewing the ancient manuscript, _____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A) several faded illustrations caught the historian's attention.
B) the fragile pages required special handling.
C) the graduate student noticed several corrections made by a later scribe.
D) the discovery of hidden notes was surprising.

14. Inspired by the success of the first space mission, _____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A) additional funding was approved by the government.
B) the new spacecraft included several advanced instruments.
C) the program expanded rapidly over the following decade.
D) the research team proposed an even more ambitious exploration project.

15. Walking through the crowded marketplace filled with musicians, painters, and street performers, _____

Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?

A) colorful decorations attracted visitors from around the city.
B) the lively atmosphere impressed everyone.
C) the tourists stopped to watch a violinist performing a traditional folk song.
D) many interesting souvenirs were displayed for tourists.