



## **GMAT Practice Worksheet: Sentence Correction** **(MODIFIERS)**

**Objective:** The purpose of this worksheet is to give you practice solving GMAT Sentence Correction problems using the knowledge and techniques learned in *Game Plan for the GMAT* and taught in the video lesson “Sentence Correction - Part 2.”

**Directions:** Take as much time as you need to apply your grammar rules and answer each question. Use the book and videos if necessary. Do not be concerned with time; learning the techniques and relevant grammar rules is what is important.

1. Unlike her sister Heather, who would always put spiders safely outside if she found them in the house, Joanne’s fear kept her from going anywhere near the creatures.
  - (A) Joanne’s fear kept her from going anywhere near the creatures
  - (B) Joanne’s fear is what kept her from going anywhere near the creatures
  - (C) fear is why Joanne had not gone anywhere near them
  - (D) Joanne was too afraid to go anywhere near the creatures
  - (E) they scared Joanne too much to go anywhere near them
  
2. Widely regarded as the greatest American chess player in history, Bobby Fischer’s prominence came as a child, winning the U.S. Open at the age of thirteen and becoming a grandmaster at age fifteen.
  - (A) Bobby Fischer’s prominence came as
  - (B) Bobby Fischer’s prominence came when he was
  - (C) it was Bobby Fischer coming to prominence as
  - (D) Bobby Fischer came to prominence as
  - (E) his prominence came to Bobby Fischer as

3. Jenny's dream was to become the first female mayor of her home city, but while running in the mayoral election, cancer was detected and another candidate had to be chosen.

(A) while running in the mayoral election, cancer was detected and another candidate had to be chosen.

(B) while running in the mayoral election, Jenny's cancer was detected and another candidate had to be chosen.

(C) while running in the mayoral election, cancer was detected and another candidate was chosen.

(D) while running in the mayoral election, the cancer was detected and another candidate was chosen.

(E) while running in the mayoral election, a cancer was detected and another candidate was chosen.

4. Beautifully sanded and re-varnished, Bill proudly displayed the antique desk in his den.

(A) Beautifully sanded and re-varnished, Bill proudly displayed the antique desk in his den.

(B) Beautiful, sanded, and re-varnished, Bill proudly displayed the antique desk in his den.

(C) An antique, and beautifully sanded and re-varnished, in his den Bill proudly displayed the desk.

(D) Bill, beautifully sanded and re-varnished in the den, proudly displayed the antique desk.

(E) Bill proudly displayed the antique desk, beautifully sanded and re-varnished, in his den.

5. The Lake Manyara Park in Tanzania affords the visitor with unequaled opportunities to photograph lions playing in trees without the aid of telephoto lenses.

(A) The Lake Manyara Park in Tanzania affords the visitor with unequaled opportunities to photograph lions playing in trees without the aid of telephoto lenses.

(B) The Lake Manyara Park in Tanzania permits the visitor unequaled opportunities to photograph lions playing in trees without the aid or telephoto lenses.

(C) The Lake Manyara Park in Tanzania gives the visitor the unequaled opportunity to photograph lions playing in trees without telephoto lenses.

(D) The visitor to the Lake Manyara Park in Tanzania has the unequaled opportunity to photograph lions playing in trees without the aid of telephoto lenses.

(E) Even without the aid of telephoto lenses, the visitor to Tanzania's Lake Manyara Park has an unequaled opportunity to photograph lions playing in trees.

6. Entering professional tennis as a talented but shy and awkward teenager, for the past eight years Steffi Graf was the dominant force on the woman's circuit, a powerful and consistent player.

- (A) Entering professional tennis as a talented but shy and awkward teenager, for the past eight years Steffi Graf was
- (B) A talented yet shy and awkward teenager when she entered professional tennis, for the last eight years Steffi Graf has been
- (C) For the past eight years, having entered professional tennis as a talented yet shy and awkward teenager, Steffi Graf has been
- (D) Steffi Graf entered professional tennis as a talented yet shy and awkward teenager, and was
- (E) Having entered professional tennis as a teenager who was talented yet shy and awkward, for the past eight years Steffi Graf has been

7. Having discovered the Roman aristocrats to be suffering from lead poisoning, it is now thought that this was a major cause of their inability to reproduce.

- (A) Having discovered the Roman aristocrats to be suffering from lead poisoning
- (B) To have discovered the Roman aristocrats to be suffering from lead poisoning
- (C) Since scientists have discovered that the Roman aristocrats suffered from lead poisoning
- (D) Since the suffering of lead poisoning by Roman aristocrats was discovered by scientists
- (E) Due to the fact Roman aristocrats were suffering from lead poisoning was discovered by scientists

8. While many citizens feel powerless to influence national policy, it is actually effective to write to a Congressperson with an opinion.

- (A) it is actually effective to write to a Congressperson with an opinion.
- (B) writing to your Congressperson with your opinion is actually effective.
- (C) to write to a Congressperson with an opinion is effective.
- (D) that writing your opinion to your Congressperson is effective.
- (E) the writing of an opinion to a Congressperson may be effective.

9. By leading trump, the defenders defeated the contract resoundingly.

- (A) By leading trump, the defenders defeated the contract resoundingly.
- (B) By leading trump, the contract was defeated resoundingly by the defenders.
- (C) The defenders resounded the defeat of the contract by leading trump.
- (D) The contract, by leading trump, was defeated resoundingly by the defenders.
- (E) Resoundingly, the contract was defeated by the defenders by leading trump.

10. In addition to those specified for professions, the corporations maintained endowments in purely academic fields, especially in the physical sciences.

(A) the corporations maintained endowments in purely academic fields, especially in the physical sciences.

(B) the corporations had maintained purely academic endowments like those of the physical sciences.

(C) in purely academic fields, endowments, especially in the physical sciences, were maintained by the corporations.

(D) the endowments were maintained in purely academic fields, especially in the physical sciences, by the corporations.

(E) purely academic endowments, especially for those fields like the physical sciences, were maintained by the corporations.

## **GMAT Sentence Correction Worksheet - Modifiers:** **ANSWER KEY**

**Note:** Video answer explanations for each question on this worksheet can be found under the “Worksheets” heading on your back-end member page. If you still have questions about certain problems after watching the solution videos, contact your instructor or send an e-mail to [info@dominatethegmat.com](mailto:info@dominatethegmat.com).

- 1. D**
- 2. D**
- 3. B**
- 4. E**
- 5. E**
- 6. C**
- 7. C**
- 8. B**
- 9. A**
- 10. D**