

Dashes Practice Exercise 1

Directions: Choose the best placement of dashes among the choices below each sentences.

1. Bananas, apples, oranges, and grapes all of these fruits are served at our school.
 - A. Bananas – apples, oranges, and grapes all of these fruits are served at our school.
 - B. Bananas, apples, oranges, and grapes all of these fruits – are served at our school.
 - C. Bananas, apples, oranges, and grapes – all of these fruits are served at our school.

2. I went to the mall they were having a sale and purchased all my spring clothes.
 - A. I went to the mall – they were having a sale – and purchased all my spring clothes.
 - B. I went to the mall – they were having a sale and purchased all my spring clothes.
 - C. I went to the mall they were having a sale – and purchased all my spring clothes.

3. Three of his classes science, math, and history were advanced courses.
 - A. Three of his classes science, math, and history – were advanced courses.
 - B. Three – of his classes – science, math, and history were advanced courses.
 - C. Three of his classes – science, math, and history – were advanced courses.

4. The trip only lasted you may find this hard to believe only two hours!
 - A. The trip only lasted – you may find this hard to believe – only two hours!
 - B. The trip only lasted – you may find this hard to believe only two hours!
 - C. The trip only lasted you may find this hard to believe – only two hours!

5. I've been practicing my scales all day oh, here comes my piano teacher now.
 - A. I've been practicing my scales all day oh, here comes my piano teacher – now.
 - B. I've been practicing my scales – all day oh, here comes my piano teacher – now.
 - C. I've been practicing my scales all day – oh, here comes my piano teacher now.

6. Some siblings my brother and sister included require lots of attention when baby-sitting.
- A. Some siblings – my brother and sister included – require lots of attention when baby-sitting.
 - B. Some siblings my brother and sister included – require lots of attention when baby-sitting.
 - C. Some siblings – my brother and sister included require lots of attention when baby-sitting.
7. Various colors I'm thinking of blue, pink, orange, or green would look good in your painting.
- A. Various colors – I'm thinking of blue, pink, orange, or green would look good in your painting.
 - B. Various colors I'm thinking of – blue, pink, orange, or green – would look good in your painting.
 - C. Various colors I'm thinking of blue, pink, orange, or green – would look good in your painting.
8. All my friends Kenny, Chas, and Darren will be there tonight for the festival.
- A. All my friends Kenny, Chas – and Darren will be there tonight for the festival.
 - B. All my friends Kenny, Chas, and Darren – will be there tonight for the festival.
 - C. All my friends – Kenny, Chas, and Darren – will be there tonight for the festival.
9. I've been waiting all day oh, here comes the cable man now.
- A. I've been waiting – all day oh, here comes the cable man now.
 - B. I've been waiting all day – oh, here comes the cable man now.
 - C. I've been waiting – all day oh, here comes the cable man – now.
10. Last night we met you're not going to believe this the lead singer in the band.
- A. Last night we met – you're not going to believe this – the lead singer in the band.
 - B. Last night – we met you're not going to believe this – the lead singer in the band.
 - C. Last night we met you're not going to believe this – the lead singer in the band.

Answer Key: Dashes Practice Exercise 1

1. C
2. A
3. C
4. A
5. C
6. A
7. B
8. C
9. B
10. A