

Unit 2 – Lesson 3

Enter your responses between the (blue) parentheses below each item.

Section 1 CUE Paragraphs

Identify the main idea in each paragraph. Identify what the CUE problems are in the paragraph. Re-write the sentences so that the paragraph has coherence, unity and emphasis that allows the writing to flow and be easily understood.

1. Cats have a unique way of getting attention. They often rub up against their owner's legs. They claw up furniture or carpeting. Also, cats love to drink milk. In short, the feline species has many ways to demand love and affection.

(adapted from

http://start.epcc.edu/Student/Tutorial_Quizzes/Writing_Quizzes/paragraphstructure/Quizzes/unityquiz.htm)

Main idea (thesis): ()

Problems: ()

Re-write the paragraph: ()

(/5 marks)

2. Every human likes to wonder by nature. We wonder where our next meal is coming from or whether we have enough money to go out the next weekend. We wonder whether we might all catch a virus or disease if we are not careful, but what can we do? We also need to take care of our environment and car pollution is a major problem. Most large cars are gas guzzlers and the gas is even getting more and more expensive. Who can afford a car anymore? Who needs a car anymore? We must control our natural resources. No wonder we are unhappy.

(adapted from https://www.ccdmd.qc.ca/en/pdf/Seven_8.pdf)

Main idea (thesis): ()

Problems: ()

Re-write the paragraph: ()

(/10 marks)

3. Nothing is more confusing to me than choosing among televisions. It confuses lots of people who want a new high-definition digital television (HDTV) with a large screen to watch sports and DVDs on. You could listen to the guys in the electronics store, but word has it they know little more than you do. They want to sell what they have in stock, not what best fits your needs. You face decisions you never had to make with the old, bulky picture-tube televisions. Screen resolution means the number of horizontal scan lines the screen can show. This resolution is often 1080p or full HD, or 768p. The trouble is that if you have a smaller screen, 32 inches or 37 inches diagonal, you won't be able to tell the difference with the naked eye. The 1080p televisions cost more, though, so those are what the salespeople want you to buy. They get bigger commissions. The other important decision you face as you walk around the sales floor is whether to get a plasma screen or an LCD screen. Now here the salespeople may finally give you decent info. Plasma flat-panel television screens can be much larger in diameter than their LCD rivals. Plasma screens show truer blacks and can be viewed at a wider angle than current LCD screens. But be careful and tell the salesperson you have budget constraints. Large flat-panel plasma screens are much more expensive than flat-screen LCD models. Don't let someone make you buy more television than you need!

(adapted from <http://open.lib.umn.edu/writingforsuccess/chapter/8-4-revising-and-editing/>)

Main idea (thesis): ()

Problems: ()

Re-write the paragraph: ()

(/10 marks)

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