# REMEDIAL MODULE

# English



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#### Dear Student:

We are providing you with this module as a tool to assist you with the skills you need for your English class. In it, you will find multiple choice exercises for you to choose the right answer.

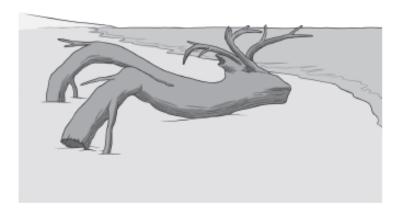
The Puerto Rico Department of Education will validate your participation and effort in answering the exercises contained in this module. The scores obtained will be added to your grades and academic progress report.

We hope that, once you complete your seventh grade, you will obtain the same satisfaction that we've had creating these exercises to help you.



**Directions:** In this section, you will show how well you understand how to write in English. For each question, choose the correct answer.

### Discovery at the Beach



(1) Going to the beach is one of my favorite things to do because I always discover something fasinating. (2) Yesterday, I found a large piece of smooth gray wood on the sand it had an interesting shape. (3) One end of the wood looked like a deer's head with antiers. (4) I wondered if I should take the wood home. (5) I decided to leave the wood at the beach so another person could discover it, too.

O	Which	word	is	spelled	incorrectly	in
_	sentene	ce 1?				

- A favorite
- B because
- C something
- D fasinating

### This selection is an example of —

- A narrative writing.
- B historical writing.
- C expository writing.
- D persuasive writing.

### 3 Which sentence from the selection is a run-on sentence?

- A sentence 2
- B sentence 3
- C sentence 4
- D sentence 5

## What does the word <u>it</u> refer to in sentence 5?

- A I
- B wood
- C beach
- D person

- Which organizational pattern should a writer use to explain a process?
  - A comparison and contrast
  - B problem and solution
  - C cause and effect
  - D order of events
- 6 Read the sentence.

The three boys have been sitting on the sofa since this morning.

Which group of words from the sentence is a prepositional phrase?

- A The three boys
- B have been sitting
- C on the sofa
- D since this morning
- 7 Brainstorming can help with which stage of the writing process?
  - A publishing
  - B planning
  - C drafting
  - D editing

Read the sentence.

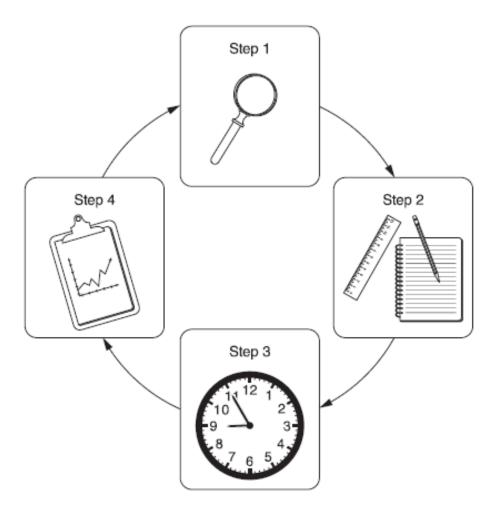
Amanda explained the sequents of events.

What is the CORRECT spelling of the underlined word?

- A sequence
- B secuense
- C secuents
- D sequins
- Which stage of the writing process includes sharing finished work?
  - A revising
  - B drafting
  - C prewriting
  - D publishing
- 10 Which sentence has the MOST positive connotation?
  - A When dealing with money, Richard was always stingy.
  - B When dealing with money, Richard was always cheap.
  - C When dealing with money, Richard was always economical.
  - D When dealing with money, Richard was always penny-pinching.

**Directions:** In this section, you will show how well you can read and understand written English. For each question, choose the correct answer.

What kind of information would a reader find in an infographic like this one?



- A the representation of statistics
- B the explanation of a process
- C a list of historical events
- D a description of a place

#### **Bold Thinking**

- When you face a problem that seems impossible to solve, you may need some wisdom or clear thinking to help solve it. You might need an idea that cuts through the confusion. In other words, you might need bold thinking to cut through that Gordian knot.
- "Gordian knot" is a term that comes from ancient times. A wise man had once <u>foretold</u> that a city's new king would be the next man to arrive in a wagon. When the peasant Gordius and his wife rode into that city in a cart pulled by oxen, Gordius was proclaimed king of the city, and the city was named Gordium. The wise man's prediction had come true. Gordius then tied the pole that connected the oxen's yoke to his wagon using an intricate knot. According to legend, the man who could untie the complicated loop would rule over Asia.
- In 333 BCE, Alexander the Great was marching into an area that is now a part of Turkey. He came to the city called Gordium. Alexander the Great studied the knot. Like many men before him, he could find no way to untie it. So he took his sword and sliced through it. He solved the problem in a bold and resourceful manner.
- So what can you do if you are faced with a Gordian knot? Think about the problem, and then figure out a bold way to solve it.
- 12 The reading selection is an example of
  - A drama.
  - B poetry.
  - C fiction.
  - D nonfiction.

- How does the author develop the point of view?
  - A by speaking directly to the reader
  - B by telling the narrator's own story
  - C by including the thoughts of all the characters
  - D by revealing the thoughts of the main character

- What is the theme of the reading selection?
  - A facing the impossible
  - B carrying a problem
  - C changing journeys
  - D exchanging ideas
- 15 What does foretold mean in paragraph 2?
  - A waited for an announcement
  - B thought of a new idea
  - C introduced a tradition
  - D predicted an event
- 16 In paragraph 2, the phrase "ancient times" indicates that the setting took place
  - A years ago.
  - B months ago.
  - C decades ago.
  - D centuries ago.

Read this sentence from paragraph 3.

"He solved the problem in a bold and resourceful manner."

What does "bold and resourceful" mean in the sentence?

- A confused and stressed
- B dangerous and unfair
- C brave and capable
- D clear and visible
- 18 Based on the reading selection, what can a reader infer about Alexander the Great?
  - A He was killed in battle.
  - B He became ruler of Asia.
  - C He became the next king of Gordium.
  - D He created a new knot for someone else to untie.
- Which phrase means the same as the word bold as it is used in paragraph 3?
  - A to be daring
  - B to be careful
  - C being suspicious
  - D being dangerous



- 20 A. In what other format could the information from this reading selection be presented?
  - B. Explain how the format you suggested could help a student understand the information.

Remember to answer all parts of the question in the space provided. Your answers should be in ENGLISH, but you can also answer in SPANISH.

Directions: In this section, you will show how well you understand spoken English. Listen carefully. Then, choose the correct answer.

- Where is the community garden that Samuel visited?
  - A in the countryside near the city
  - B in the middle of the city
  - C next to his apartment
  - D next to his school
- 2 According to the passage, what grows better if it is planted in the spring?
  - A pepper
  - B tomato
  - C spinach
  - D pumpkin

- 3 The listener can infer that Samuel is surprised that
  - A the class was given packages of seeds.
  - B his dad uses vegetables from their garden to cook.
  - C a garden could be located in a small space in the city.
  - D his parents allowed him to use pots to plant the seeds.
- 4 The passage is MOSTLY
  - A narrative.
  - B expository.
  - C persuasive.
  - D descriptive.

Directions: In this section, you will show how well you understand how to write in English. For each question, choose the correct answer.

### Sirajo Goby, the Climbing Fish

(1) The sirajo goby lives in the streams of Puerto Rico and other Caribbean islands. (2) This native fish is only about three to four inches long (3) The sirajo goby has special fins on its abdomen that allow <u>it</u> to climb vertical surfaces. (4) The fins create a suction that allows the fish to grab onto a surface as it climbs up rocks, waterfalls, and even the walls of dams.

- Which is the CORRECT way to include an appositive phrase in sentence 1?
  - A The sirajo goby a small fish lives in the streams of Puerto Rico and other Caribbean islands.
  - B A small fish; the sirajo goby lives in the streams of Puerto Rico and other Caribbean islands.
  - C (A small fish) the sirajo goby lives in the streams of Puerto Rico and other Caribbean islands.
  - D The sirajo goby, a small fish, lives in the streams of Puerto Rico and other Caribbean islands.

- 6 Which is the CORRECT way to punctuate sentence 2?
  - A This native fish is only about three to four inches long
  - B This native, fish is only about three to four inches long.
  - This native fish is only, about three to four inches long
  - D This native fish is only about three to four inches long.

- What does the pronoun <u>it</u> in sentence 3 refer to?
  - A sirajo goby
  - B fins
  - C abdomen
  - D vertical surfaces
- 8 Which word in sentence 4 contains a prefix?
  - A create
  - B surface
  - C climbs
  - D waterfalls

- 9 Which sentence BEST completes the selection?
  - A The sirajo goby is a Caribbean fish.
  - B This fish doesn't survive very long in the Caribbean.
  - C The sirajo goby is a colorful fish that lives in the Caribbean.
  - D The physical traits of this fish allow it to survive in the Caribbean.

10 Read the sentence.

Art and physical education classes in schools can contribute to better academic performance because

Which reason BEST completes the argument?

- A experts say so
- B children enjoy exercising and painting
- C studies show that physical activity and artistic expression improve reasoning skills
- D parents and teachers think that physical activity and artistic expression help students relax
- Which argument does NOT support the point of view that all students should have physical education class in school?
  - A Students who are physically fit become healthier adults.
  - B Physical activity helps students concentrate and stay focused.
  - C Physical exercise improves the overall health and fitness of students.
  - D Students can participate in a variety of physical activities after school.

- Which sentence BEST introduces suspense for a fictional story?
  - A Early in the bright, cheery morning, Francisco noticed familiar noises coming from the house next door.
  - B In the darkest hour of the night, Francisco heard strange noises coming from the abandoned house.
  - C The house was built in the 19th century in a residential neighborhood of the city.
  - D Late at night, Francisco heard someone walking on the second floor.
- 13 Read the sentence.

Due to the fact that it was raining, the game was canceled.

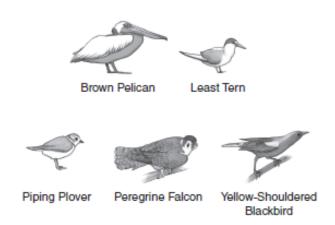
Which revised sentence BEST eliminates wordiness?

- A The game was canceled because of the
- B Due to the rainy conditions, the game was canceled.
- Because it was raining so much, the game was canceled.
- D The game was canceled due to the fact that it was raining.

- Which sentence contains figurative language?
  - A All the students enjoyed the field trip.
  - B The teacher identified all the species of flora and fauna they saw.
  - C The forest they visited was surrounded by a magical curtain of colors and light.
  - D The students took notes and photos, and even made drawings of the scenery.

Directions: In this section, you will show how well you can read and understand written English. For each question, choose the correct answer.

#### The Birds of Cabo Rojo



- In southwestern Puerto Rico, there is a place where birds and other forms of wildlife are protected by the government. This place is the Cabo Rojo National Wildlife Refuge. In 1999, it grew to three times its former size with the addition of more than one thousand acres of saline, or saltwater, lakes.
  - The wildlife refuge contains dramatic limestone cliffs and a charming, <u>picturesque</u> lighthouse. The refuge is an important stop on the migration routes of many kinds of birds. Some birds even choose to live there for part of the year while they raise their chicks.
- Important factors bring a wide variety of birds to the saline lakes. The brown pelicans<sup>1</sup> and the least terns<sup>2</sup> are drawn there by the abundant fish in the coral reef and the mangrove swamps. The piping plovers<sup>3</sup> feed on the worms and shellfish that live in the sand. The peregrine falcons<sup>4</sup> go to hunt the birds that live along the shore.
- The peregrine falcons and piping plovers need the protection that Cabo Rojo provides.

  However, even more desperately in need of protection are the yellow-shouldered blackbirds.<sup>5</sup> These birds are threatened by development and by other birds and rodents. At Cabo Rojo, the yellow-shouldered blackbirds fly among the mangrove trees and plants, nesting and feeding on insects. They, like so many species that spend all or part of their lives in the area, are made a little more secure by the existence of the Cabo Rojo National Wildlife Refuge.

### 15 Which sentence from the reading selection contains an OPINION?

- A "The wildlife refuge contains dramatic limestone cliffs and a charming, picturesque lighthouse."
- B "Some birds even choose to live there for part of the year while they raise their chicks."
- C "Important factors bring a wide variety of birds to the saline lakes."
- D "These birds are threatened by development and by other birds and rodents."

#### 16 Read this sentence from paragraph 2.

"The wildlife refuge contains dramatic limestone cliffs and a charming, <u>picturesque</u> lighthouse."

Which word BEST expresses the meaning of <u>picturesque</u> as it is used in the sentence?

- A scenic
- B shabby
- C ancient
- D outdated

# Which conclusion can BEST be drawn from the information in paragraph 3?

- A The area attracts different species of birds because it has warm, hospitable weather.
- B The various habitable spaces in the area attract different species of birds.
- C The area attracts different species of birds because it has less predators.
- D The variety of food in the area attracts different species of birds.

brown pelican: a large scabird that uses its beak as a pouch

<sup>2</sup>least tern: a small bird that dives into the water to catch little fish

piping ployer: a little bird that builds its nest in the sand

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>peregrine falcon: a bird that hunts other birds; flies faster when hunting for prey

Syellow-shouldered blackbird: a bird that lives only in the main island of Puerto Rico and on two of its smaller islands, Mona and Monita.

- 18 What is the MAIN topic of paragraph 4?
  - A the piping plover
  - B the peregrine falcon
  - C the yellow-shouldered blackbird
  - D the species that live in the wildlife refuge
- 19 Which paragraph BEST expresses the purpose of the Cabo Rojo National Wildlife Refuge?
  - A paragraph 1
  - B paragraph 2
  - C paragraph 3
  - D paragraph 4
- 20 Why does the author mention limestone cliffs and a lighthouse?
  - A to show that saline lakes are nearby
  - B to show contrast with the saline lakes
  - C to describe the wildlife refuge in more detail
  - D to demonstrate that there are different kinds of beauty

- 21 What is the MAIN IDEA of this reading selection?
  - A Some birds stop at the wildlife refuge as part of their migration routes.
  - B The wildlife refuge provides protection to many species of birds.
  - C The wildlife refuge is three times larger than it used to be.
  - D Some birds are threatened and need protection.
- 22 According to the reading selection, why do many birds stop at the Cabo Rojo National Wildlife Refuge during their migration?
  - A They can rest after flying a great distance.
  - B They are protected by the government.
  - C They are threatened by development.
  - D They can obtain abundant food there.
- 23 This reading selection is MOST SIMILAR to
  - A a self-help article for a teen magazine.
  - B an educational brochure for tourists.
  - C an animal story for small children.
  - D a personal anecdote in a memoir.

- 24 A. What text features does the author use in the reading selection to make it easier to understand?
  - B. What information do the text features provide?

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