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Parallel Structure – Exercise 6

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Directions: Fill in the blanks with the additional information provided for each item. Be sure that you maintain parallel structure.

1. A bathroom sink filled with hair, counter surfaces piled with paper and books, and _____ dissuaded Beverly from sharing the apartment with Tina.

   Fill in the blank using the information below. Maintain parallel structure.

   In addition, Tina's refrigerator had shelves stuffed with moldy leftovers.

2. To make his weight class for the wrestling match, Bart sipped a diet soda, nibbled carrot sticks, and _____.

   Fill in the blank using the information below. Maintain parallel structure.

   Refusing Sam's offer of a slice of pizza was another strategy Bart used to lose weight.

3. The presence of a vampire, a space alien, or _____ _____ will make Noreen reject a movie.

   Fill in the blank using the information below. Maintain parallel structure.

   Noreen also refuses to watch any film that includes a zombie serial killer who is wielding a knife or a chainsaw.

4. If we manage to pass our calculus class, we will celebrate by shouting, high-fiving, and _____.

   Fill in the blank using the information below. Maintain parallel structure.

   Moreover, we might dump a bucket of Gatorade over Professor Nguyen's head.

5. At the library, Francis hoped to complete his math homework, research Da Vinci for his Renaissance art class, and _____.

   Fill in the blank using the information below. Maintain parallel structure.

   Carving "Francis loves Dawn" in the wood table was another goal for the afternoon.

6. Mara always refuses Andre's offer to style her hair because she fears a bald head, an odd color, and _____.

   Fill in the blank using the information below. Maintain parallel structure.

   Mara also worries that Andre will make the ends of her hair frizzy.

7. Tardiness, absences, and _____ are the behaviors that have gotten Brendan in trouble with his boss, Mr. Powell.

   Fill in the blank using the information below. Maintain parallel structure.

   In addition, Mr. Powell is annoyed when Brendan shows disrespect to the customers and fellow employees.

8. This semester, Sam hopes to pass Microbiology, not faint in his speech class, and _____.

   Fill in the blank using the information below. Maintain parallel structure.

   Convincing Gloria to go out with him is another goal that Sam hopes to meet.

9. Because Frank allowed Grumpy the bulldog in the apartment, Sandy kept her pet off the furniture, bathed him regularly, and _____.

   Fill in the blank using the information below. Maintain parallel structure.

   In addition, Sandy didn't mind vacuuming every day.

10. Keisha will not only share an extra pen with the handsome Jonathon but also _____.

    Fill in the blank using the information below. Maintain parallel structure.

    Moreover, if he asks, Keisha will give Jonathon some loose-leaf paper.

11. Our beagle Reliable is no protector; he hides under the bed while the washing machine spins, if the fire alarm goes off, and _____.

    Fill in the blank using the information below. Maintain parallel structure.

    The neighbors knocking at the door will also send Reliable running into the bedroom.

12. Crisp apple slices, crunchy carrot sticks, and _____ _____ were all ground to a pulp by Simone's hardworking molars.

    Fill in the blank using the information below. Maintain parallel structure.

    Simone also ate several green stalks of celery that were firm with freshness.

13. At the Halloween party, Patrick will either drape Squeeze, his nine-foot albino python, over his shoulders or _____.

    Fill in the blank using the information below. Maintain parallel structure.

    Dressing as a vampire is another costume option that Kenny is considering.

14. Before his solo in the church choir, Kurtis could feel his stomach churning, his knees knocking, and _____.

    Fill in the blank using the information below. Maintain parallel structure.

    Kurtis also felt his skin begin to sweat.

15. To keep our beagle Reliable from whimpering, sighing, and _____ _____, we put him outside during dinner.

    Fill in the blank using the information below. Maintain parallel structure.

    Moreover, Reliable drools a flood of saliva that hangs from his jowls and puddles on the floor.

16. Broken glasses, chipped dishes, and _____ _____ are the reasons that we will no longer let Fernando wash the dishes after dinner.

    Fill in the blank using the information below. Maintain parallel structure.

    In addition, we found the spoons still greasy from use.

17. Cookies stuffed with raisins, scones drizzled with orange glaze, and _____ called to Nicole from the pastry case at the coffee shop.

    Fill in the blank using the information below. Maintain parallel structure.

    Nicole also desired the donuts that bakers had sprinkled with powdered sugar.

18. Chatting with the handsome trainer, socializing at the juice bar, and _____ are the strategies that Carla employs to avoid sweating at the gym.

    Fill in the blank using the information below. Maintain parallel structure.

    Carla also primps in front of the restroom mirror, sometimes for fifteen minutes straight.

19. When she stepped out on her porch, Maud glared at the unraked lawn, weedy flower beds, and _____ that made up the Harringtons' front yard.

    Fill in the blank using the information below. Maintain parallel structure.

    In addition, Maud disliked seeing the bushes that needed trimming.

20. Professor Hollister has three pet peeves: unstapled homework, bare feet, and _____.

    Fill in the blank using the information below. Maintain parallel structure.

    He also gets annoyed when students walk in late and disrupt his lecture.

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