

PRONOUN REFERENCE

Directions: Choose the option that corrects an error in the underlined portion(s). If no error exists, choose “No change is necessary.”

1. We decided to swim in the hotel pool since it says at the lifeguard stand that sharks are feeding near shore.
 - A. it states at the lifeguard stand
 - B. they say at the lifeguard stand
 - C. the lifeguard says
 - D. No change is necessary.

2. ^(A) The doctor told Veronica that ^(B) she had headaches because of the high stress level at the office. An aspirin would help ^(C) the headaches a little, but a vacation would relieve the stress best.
 - A. Doctor Lee
 - B. Veronica
 - C. it
 - D. No change is necessary.

3. Freddie is unhappy with the unhealthy cafeteria choices. They are serving more fried foods and fewer fruits and vegetables.
 - A. The chefs are serving
 - B. It is
 - C. They prepare
 - D. No change is necessary.

4. (A) **They** say that the old house on Mayfair is haunted, but Caroline doesn't believe (B) **the stories**. She is a physics major who has no use for (C) **ghosts**.
- A. Neighbors
B. them
C. them
D. No change is necessary.
5. Leonardo called us over and pointed at the computer screen. **It claimed at the website** that our favorite restaurant serves squirrel!
- A. At the website, it claimed
B. The website claimed
C. The website, it claimed
D. No change is necessary.
6. Mom told Aunt Julia that (A) **she** didn't raise her children right. The girls didn't chew with (B) **their mouths** closed, and the boys burped without excusing (C) **themselves**.
- A. Mom
B. them
C. it
D. No change is necessary.
7. Mom told Aunt **Julia that she needed a lion tamer to get the children under control**.
- A. Julia, "that she needed ... control."
B. Julia, "I need ... control."
C. Julia, You need ... control.
D. No change is necessary.

8. NASA just landed another ^(A) **rover** on Mars. ^(B) **They** say if water is evident, ^(C) **the government** will begin colonization plans.
- A. one
 - B. Scientists
 - C. it
 - D. No change is necessary.
9. Put that back on the shelf! **The label says** that high fructose corn syrup and partially hydrogenated oils are ingredients.
- A. It says on the label
 - B. They claim on the label
 - C. On the label it says
 - D. No change is necessary.
10. Maria explained to Diane that ^(A) **her** sauce was too salty and too garlicky and would give ^(B) **everyone** ^(C) **heartburn**.
- A. Sara's
 - B. him
 - C. it
 - D. No change is necessary.

