

provides a pivot to another use of animal stories: as satires that *criticize powers-that-be or current events in a disguised way*. The rest of the paragraph describes *Animal Farm*, an example of such a satire. Logically, then, Sentences 1 through 4 can form their own coherent paragraph about animal stories as morality tales; meanwhile, in a different paragraph, Sentences 5 through 9 focus on the satirical use of animal stories.

No other paragraph break makes as much sense. Sentence 5, which introduces the idea of animal satires, should be kept with the *Animal Farm* example in the following sentences. Likewise, the examples of morality tales earlier in the paragraph should be kept together. The correct answer is (G).

## STYLE PROBLEMS

41. In 628, a prominent Indian mathematician named Brahmagupta described the use of negative numbers, which were generally opposed in Europe for the following ten or so centuries, which is about a thousand years.
- A. NO CHANGE  
 B. centuries—approximately one thousand years.  
 C. centuries, the rough duration of a millennium.  
 D. centuries.
42. Among historians of science, there is consensus that Isaac Newton and Gottfried Leibniz each discovered and subsequently developed modern calculus independently of the other. Even their notation and terminology vary in such a way that it is hard to conceive of outright plagiarism. However, the matter of who first “invented” the field was historically a matter of strong debate; today, the issue may plain stump folks for good.
- F. NO CHANGE  
 G. may never be resolved satisfactorily.  
 H. might just be one of those things you have to shrug about.  
 J. is a mysterious conundrum that may never be solved and put to rest to everyone’s satisfaction.
43. Author and Nobel laureate Toni Morrison is known for her masterful ability to represent, describe, and portray in her writing the subtle, winding currents of feelings that her characters experience.
- A. NO CHANGE  
 B. represent and portray  
 C. describe and represent  
 D. represent
44. At a certain point, solid state memory became so cheap that flash drives that had earlier been loaded with music or video files beforehand could be given away as promotional items.
- F. NO CHANGE  
 G. previously  
 H. before that time  
 J. OMIT the underlined portion.
45. In a renewed effort to win the state contract, Callie and her team worked around the clock to prepare what would turn out to be a persuasive presentation to government officials.
- Which choice would be LEAST likely to suggest that Callie’s endeavor was successful?
- A. NO CHANGE  
 B. compelling  
 C. rousing  
 D. convincing
46. In the 1930s and ’40s, “Little” Ann Little Rothschild recorded the voice of Betty Boop, a well-liked cartoon character modeled on the flapper women of the Roaring Twenties.
- F. NO CHANGE  
 G. really rather well-liked cartoon character  
 H. well-liked, it might be said, cartoon character  
 J. well-liked cartoon character who was popular and
47. After a few months, Sheila began to distrust her office mate, who frequently made flattering statements excessively praising her and her work in private but undercut her in public meetings.
- A. NO CHANGE  
 B. statements to compliment her work often, though to an extreme  
 C. statement after statement of insincere admiration of her work  
 D. statements about her work
48. It was the fulfillment of a lifelong dream for Emily to receive her Ph.D. and begin teaching public health to first-generation college students at her new university.
- F. NO CHANGE  
 G. start instructing  
 H. commence educating  
 J. embark on inculcating

57. Architects of any plan to rescue a failing bank need to pose tough questions. Overall, is the plan plausible? Believable? What resources will be required to implement the plan, under both optimistic and pessimistic scenarios? How long will the plan take to put into effect, and when can its goals be expected to be achieved?

- A. NO CHANGE
- B. Can it be believed?
- C. Or is it incredible?
- D. OMIT the underlined portion.

58. The annals of history are filled with examples of extinct realms whose legacy survives, perhaps primarily, in words. The Spanish language frequently refers to itself as *castellano*, or Castilian, and in fact the Spanish monarch has, among other designations, the exalted title of King of Castile, but this title is in name only: the medieval state as a living entity has vanished.

Which choice would be MOST consistent with the academic tone established elsewhere in this passage?

- F. NO CHANGE
- G. quality
- H. top-notch
- J. fabulous

59. Suddenly he realized that to attempt to flee in his car to the mainland would be nearly impossible, and certainly dangerous, in the chaos of the hurricane sweeping across the island town and its environs.

Which of the following alternatives to the underlined portion would NOT be acceptable?

- A. amid
- B. during
- C. between
- D. in the midst of

60. To alleviate the effects of the spike in oil prices on a population struggling with an unusually cold winter, the minister temporarily put into effect a series of small measures and programs that were only short-lived.

- F. NO CHANGE
- G. programs.
- H. programs limited in both scope and duration.
- J. programs that did not last very long.

49. The management team of the nonprofit organization found it difficult to champion and defend a position that stirred such controversial debate.
- A. NO CHANGE  
 B. defend and support a divisive position that stirred such controversy.  
 C. support and champion such a contentious, divisive position.  
 D. defend such a controversial position.
50. Early researchers studying the nervous system used electric—or, as they were then called, galvanic—currents to induce a physiological response in dissected nerve cells.
- Which of the following alternatives to the underlined word would be LEAST acceptable?
- F. generate  
 G. evoke  
 H. entice  
 J. produce
51. On the heels of an engineering breakthrough, the prospects of the solar-cell company have dramatically risen the last several weeks, and during this recent period up to now investors have poured into the stock, sending the price skyrocketing.
- A. NO CHANGE  
 B. so during these weeks of good fortune  
 C. and things have been looking up, so  
 D. so
52. Michael has been reluctant to address the poor working conditions at his job. Unfortunately, no one else is going to fight his battle for him; he needs to search within himself and find the right personal catalyst that will provide a stimulus, so that he can seize the opportunity to resolve these issues at work.
- F. NO CHANGE  
 G. catalyst to give him impetus,  
 H. catalyst to be a spur to action,  
 J. catalyst
53. Just as the application of mechanical stress to a piezoelectric crystal causes it to develop an electric voltage, the application of a voltage to the same crystal can cause it to contract or multiply in various directions.
- A. NO CHANGE  
 B. shrink or enlarge  
 C. shrivel or amplify  
 D. lessen or escalate
54. The water here is safe for swimming, due to the capability that you can always see the bottom and easily resist the gentle current.
- F. NO CHANGE  
 G. thanks to the ability that you have that  
 H. since  
 J. so
55. It is an unfortunate consequence of the current state of medical knowledge that occasionally, the initial symptoms of viral infections that pose low threats to most of the population can seldom be distinguished from those of much more serious illnesses.
- A. NO CHANGE  
 B. rarely,  
 C. infrequently,  
 D. OMIT the underlined portion.
56. Incorporating appropriate safety mechanisms, the chain-link fence properly folded over when a numerous multitude pressed against it and spilled onto the soccer field.
- Which of the following would provide the MOST specific estimate of the size of the crowd?
- F. NO CHANGE  
 G. a mass of several hundred people  
 H. a swarming, teeming throng  
 J. a mob of countless fans