

LEVEL 3 - NON-ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS (ALL)

DIRECTIONS: Parenthesis and dashes function similarly to nonessential commas; they exist on both sides of the nonessential word, phrase, or clause. This page will focus exclusively on parenthesis and dashes.

Part 1: Select the correct response.

- The city of Veracruz--today a popular tourist destination was founded by Hernan Cortes.
 - NO CHANGE
 - destination--
 - destination,
 - destination;
- Despite the hazards (sand and sunburn, more than $\frac{1}{3}$ of all destination weddings take place on a beach.
 - NO CHANGE
 - and--sunburn,
 - and sunburn),
 - and sunburn,
- Anise--the main ingredient used to flavor black jelly beans can also be used to treat lice.
 - NO CHANGE
 - beans--
 - beans,
 - beans;
- Water straight from your faucet; though easy to access, is not safe to pour into a fishbowl.
 - NO CHANGE
 - faucet--though
 - faucet(though
 - faucet, though
- The Palace of Versaille--sixteen miles southwest of Paris was designed by Mansart.
 - NO CHANGE
 - southwest, of Paris
 - southwest of Paris)
 - d. southwest of Paris--
- The best-selling Girl Scout cookie, which has been sold since 1917, is the Thin Mint.
 - NO CHANGE
 - since 1917;
 - since 1917--
 - since 1917
- The word blog--now a commonly accepted term derives from the word weblog in 1998.
 - NO CHANGE
 - term;
 - term,
 - term--
- Frederic Chopin a famous composer was born and raised in Warsaw, Poland
 - NO CHANGE
 - Chopin;
 - Chopin--
 - Chopin,
- Washington, DC (the capital of the US averages more rainfall per year than Seattle.
 - NO CHANGE
 - of, the US
 - of the US)
 - of: the US