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✨ Grade 8 English — Dashes ✨

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1. Answer both (separate your two answers with a comma). 1) Which is correctly punctuated? "The verdict — unexpected to everyone — stunned the courtroom." or "The verdict, unexpected to everyone stunned the courtroom." 2) Which is correctly punctuated? "a five-year-old child" or "a five year old child"

2. Which is correctly punctuated? "The verdict — unexpected to everyone — stunned the courtroom." or "The verdict, unexpected to everyone stunned the courtroom."

3. Answer both (separate your two answers with a comma). 1) Which is correctly punctuated? "I was about to leave — wait, is that smoke?" or "I was about to leave, wait, is that smoke?" 2) Which is correctly punctuated? "They chose to re-form the committee after the scandal." or "They chose to reform the committee after the scandal."

4. Answer both (separate your two answers with a comma). 1) Which is correctly punctuated? "There was one thing left to do — wait." or "There was one thing left to do, wait." 2) Which is correctly punctuated? "The twins — identical in every way — were impossible to tell apart." or "The twins identical in every way, were impossible to tell apart."

5. Which is correctly punctuated? "The novel — established in 1952 — is visiting this weekend." or "The novel established in 1952, is visiting this weekend."

6. Answer both (separate your two answers with a comma). 1) Which is correctly punctuated? "The truth — as painful as it was — had to be told." or "The truth, as painful as it was had to be told." 2) Which is correctly punctuated? "a well-researched essay" or "a well researched essay"

7. Which is correctly punctuated? "The bakery — which recently reopened — is presenting at the conference." or "The bakery which recently reopened, is presenting at the conference."

8. Answer both (separate your two answers with a comma). 1) Which is correctly punctuated? "She decided to re-cover the sofa in blue fabric." or "She decided to recover the sofa in blue fabric." 2) Which is correctly punctuated? "She decided to re-count the votes after the complaint." or "She decided to recount the votes after the complaint."

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Answer both (separate your two answers with a comma). 1) Which is correctly punctuated? "It was a well-known fact." or "It was a well known fact." 2) Which is correctly punctuated? "The twins — identical in every way — were impossible to tell apart." or "The twins identical in every way, were impossible to tell apart."

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Answer both (separate your two answers with a comma). 1) Which is correctly punctuated? "The evidence — circumstantial at best — failed to convince the jury." or "The evidence circumstantial at best, failed to convince the jury." 2) Which is correctly punctuated? "There was one thing left to do — wait." or "There was one thing left to do, wait."