

GRADE 8
GRAMMAR FOR WRITING
ANSWER KEY

Chapter 2

Lesson 2.1

Ex 2

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1. F

Bollywood makes more than 1000 films a year. (Verb is missing)

2. F

Because, unlike Hollywood, Bollywood isn't a physical place, the films are produced in different parts of the country.

3. F

Many Bollywood films feature musicals with dance numbers.

4. S

5. F

Since it is located on the west side of the country, people travel there by train.

6. S

7. F

Sixteen million people in Mumbai alone see the newly released movies.

8. S

9. F

Since I've always wanted to go to India, I have accepted the offer happily.

10. S

11. S

12. F

We will see some other places in Tokyo while we travel this summer to visit family.

13. F

We have to travel to many places to learn about different customs.

14. F

India is even hot in the winter.

15. S

Lesson 2.2

Ex 1

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1. The notion of brewing coffee emerged in Arabia around the year 1000. It quickly became a craze.
2. C
3. The coffee beans appeared in Europe in 1650. The Dutch were the first to bring an actual coffee plant to the continent.
4. In 1714, the Dutch gave Louis XIV a gift of a coffee plant; it was stolen from the Royal Garden.
5. C
6. C
7. C
8. In Great Britain, people drank coffee with mustard, butter, oatmeal, but different ingredients are added today.
9. The Indian Coffee Board controls Indian coffee plants, and they produce about 3.8 million of coffee beans a year.
10. S

Ex 2

1. If you like oatmeal, you should eat OatTidits. The treats are bite-sized and tasty and they melt in your mouth.

Lesson 2.3

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Ex 1

1. The librarian always suggests paper topic and answers our questions.
2. Choosing a topic takes time, involves patience and requires research.
3. Carla's topic may come from our text book or a news article.
4. Does Carla like going to the library or working at home?
5. She need note cards, her book, time to finish her draft.
6. Nervous but excited, Clara began writing her report.
7. Yesterday she did research, brainstormed ideas and narrowed her topic.
8. Her teacher answered her questions quickly, patiently and carefully.
9. Finding good sources and making an outlet with details took Clara several hours.
10. Does she like drafting and editing on a computer?
11. She will use books and interview an expert.
12. Tomorrow Clara will start writing and working on revising.
13. Her computer has a spell-check program and a dictionary.
14. Clara will read her paper and give her presentation to our class on Friday.
15. As long as she remembers looking at the audience in the eye and reading slowly, she will be fine.

Lesson 2.4

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Ex 1

1. The book is fictional based upon the life of Alexander Selkirk who was trapped on an island known as Mas a Tierra in the Pacific Ocean.
2. That island is now called Robinson's Crusoe's island. Defoe's description was probably based on the island of Tobago near Trinidad in the Caribbean Sea.
3. The book was first published in England and was followed by a sequel, and its title was "The Further Adventures of Robinson Crusoe".
4. Robinson Crusoe became popular almost immediately and was soon translated into many languages.
5. Defoe, born around 1660 in London as the son of a butcher and candlestick maker, was interested in politics throughout his life.

Lesson 2.5

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Ex 1

1. After Columbus landed on the island in 1493, it was claimed by the Spanish Crown for four hundred years.
2. The island is visited by tourists who want to enjoy the tropical scenery.
3. Puerto Rico is about the triple the size of Rhode Island.
4. The official languages, Spanish and English, are spoken by many residents.
5. In Spanish, the name Puerto Rico means Rich Port.
6. The tropical island boasts a pleasant tropical climate.
7. Coffee, pineapple, mangoes and melons are the major exports from Puerto Rico.
8. About eighty five percent of the population of the island is Roman Catholic.
9. Sometimes droughts and hurricanes occur in Puerto Rico.
10. Venezuela lies about five hundred miles in the southern direction of Puerto Rico.

Lesson 2.6

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Ex 1

1. The ancient building, Bakar Tower, was not in good shape.
2. My dad revealed / expressed that he had once had several apples in ten minutes.
3. The art work of Michael Angelo is made of different materials.
4. We ate a meal at a popular restaurant, Shrimplus, that served good sea food and loaves of bread.
5. I quickly removed my shoes and rested/ relaxed on the bed.

Lesson 2.7

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Ex 2

1. Strolled
2. Assembly
3. Strongly/ sturdily / resolutely / assertively
4. Radiance / brilliance
5. Artificial / imaginary

Chapter 2 review

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A practice test

1. A
2. C
3. C
4. E
5. D
6. E
7. B
8. B
9. E
10. D

Chapter 3

Lesson 3.3

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Ex: 1

1. I
2. S. When Mrs. Alexander assigned a research report, the students got nervous.
3. S. That we cannot use our text book as a source was confirmed by our tutor.
4. S. We will discuss the issue while we are in the library.
5. S. this is the book which everyone enjoyed.

Lesson 3.3

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Ex: 2

1. Who worked in Boston. Adjective
2. Whoever studies American history. Noun
3. Whose work is now displayed in many museums. Adjective
4. Which started in 1756. Adjective
5. Because British troops were gathering. Adverb
6. What the colonists had planned. Noun
7. Wrong question.
8. Who died in 1818. Adjective
9. That Henry Wadsworth Longfellow wrote. Adjective
10. When you have time. Adverb

Lesson 3.4

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Ex: 1

1. Simple
2. Compound
3. Compound complex
4. Compound
5. Complex
6. Compound complex
7. Compound complex
8. Simple
9. Compound complex
10. Compound

Lesson 3.5

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Ex: 1

1. In fifth grade – prepositional phrase
2. To write about the most wonderful thing – infinitive phrase
3. Tapping my pencil against my head – participial phrase
4. To remember the colors of the butterflies' wings – infinitive phrase
5. Of Glenwood Springs – prepositional phrase
6. Of something – prepositional phrase
7. To my mind – prepositional phrase
8. About my father – prepositional phrase
9. For rescuing a mother – prepositional phrase
10. From a man – prepositional phrase

Lesson 3.5

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Ex: 2

1. The painter was ordered to paint the front wall.
2. The books lying on the table are mine.
3. The wall was decorated with green paint.
4. The Bulldog, the biggest dog, was spotted in the zoo.
5. When the teacher told the boy to draw, he started searching for a pencil.
6. The ring was found near the bottom of the door.
7. The driver was asked to stop quickly.
8. Surprised by the noise, she was trembling.
9. Collecting rare coins, he enriched his library.
10. Gates, a fourteen-year-old-boy, invented a super car called Sugatti.

Lesson 3.6

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Ex: 1

1. New York City's rapid transit system is the country's oldest and busiest.
2. New York's subway operates every day and is open twenty - four hours a day.
3. The Paris Metro has beautiful stations and it usually runs on schedule.
4. My dad and mom take the train to work.
5. Last week they were late to work but they didn't miss anything important.
6. My uncle and my brother drive a cab.
7. The train was hot and stuffy.
8. Airports and train stations can be noisy.
9. My bus driver is strict but she is friendly.
10. The engine sputtered and died.

Lesson 3.7

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Ex: 1

1. Leo, an expert swimmer, went to the pool in Lakewood.
2. He went straight to the bright orange waterslide.
3. Impatient Leo waited in a long, slow line before he got into the ladder.
4. Juanita Johnson, the lifeguard, sat at the top of the ladder and made sure that everyone was safe.
5. In a loud voice, Leo announced he was ready.
6. Waving his hands, Leo hit the cold water with a splash.
7. Leo swam and moved quickly toward a ladder at the edge of the pool.
8. Moving quickly and shivering, Leo climbed out of the water.
9. Proud Leo dried off with his blue and green beach towel.
10. With confidence and quickness, Leo marched over to the busy hot dog stand.

Lesson 3.8

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Ex: 1

1. Erica catches butterflies for her collection which she keeps in a dresser drawer.
2. Julio, who was sitting in the tall, green grass, watched ants climb the side of the watermelon rind.
3. While the sun sank below the horizon, the fireflies and mosquitoes swarmed around the yard.
4. The scientists displayed two caterpillars that were poisonous.
5. Gabriella, who is allergic to bees, works at the park.
6. Some cicadas live beneath the ground for seventeen years which is a long time for an insect to live.
7. Jack stood still even though a wasp was nearby.
8. Bianca has seen few dragonflies since she visited Lake Champlain.
9. The wasps will be gone soon because the weather has gotten so cold.
10. Mark caught just four fireflies although he spent two hours outside last night.

Chapter 3 Review

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A. Practice Test

1. E
2. C
3. D
4. B
5. E

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B. Identifying Clauses

1. ADJ
2. N
3. ADV
4. N
5. IND

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C Using Phrases and Clauses

1. Shouting with glee, my friend hugged me after a long time.
2. He prefers finishing the test in time.
3. Tom, our family's dog, has been trained by Jimmy and he(Tom) brings the ball back to him when he throws it away.
4. Brown is my friend whose birthday is tomorrow.
5. Her hobby is to go skydiving and she does it occasionally.

The End