## Mini-Test 1

## PASSAGE I

## Ride a Bike

[1]

Each and  $\underbrace{everyday}_{l}$  carbon dioxide emissions

from automobiles  $\frac{\text{affect}}{2}$  our atmosphere and

attribute to the deterioration of the ozone layer.

<u>Using public transportation is a significant way to decrease</u>

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<u>daily carbon dioxide emissions.</u>

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[2]

For instance, imagine if all the people who ride the subway in New York City tried to drive to work. They would sit in traffic all morning, alongside the thousands of people who already drive, with their vehicles release fumes into the atmosphere.

1. A. NO CHANGE

B. every-day,

C. every day

D. every day,

**2. F.** NO CHANGE

G. affects

H. effect

J. effects

**3. A.** NO CHANGE

B. contribute

C. attributes

D. is contributed

**4. F.** NO CHANGE

**G.** It is important for public transportation to reduce the number of people driving cars.

**H.** Public transportation increases carbon dioxide emissions, as well as the number of cars on the roads.

J. The use of public transportation will significantly decrease the number of people driving.

**5. A.** NO CHANGE

B. whom ride

C. that ride

D. which ride

**6. F.** NO CHANGE

G. vehicles releasing

H. vehicles released

J. vehicle releasing

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[3]

That being said, the most environment-conscious way to travel from point A to point B is to ride a bike.

- sentence?
  - A. It would remove an unrelated detail.

How would omitting this phrase change the

- **B.** It would affect the tone of the overall paragraph.
- **C.** The writer would improve conciseness and clarity.
- **D.** The sentence would lose meaning.

[4]

Riding a bicycle has many benefits. Not only is it good for the environment but it also helps the rider stay fit. In a country with obesity rates at an all-time high, physical activity should be a top priority. Riding

8. F. NO CHANGE

7.

- **G.** environment and
- H. environment, but
- J. environment, yet

a bicycle instead of driving a car is great exercise that works multiple muscles at one time. Bicycling also exercises the

- <u>'ks</u>
- C. exercise working

A. NO CHANGE

**B.** exercise works

D. exercise, and working

heart making the rider altogether more physically fit.

[5]

While on a bike, the rider is more aware of his or her surroundings then when driving a car. Too many people drive while distracted, whether they are texting, changing the radio, or eating. A cyclist

- 10. F. NO CHANGE
  - G. heart, which makes,
  - **H.** heart and makes
  - J. heart, and making
- 11. A. NO CHANGE
  - **B.** than during driving
  - C. than while driving
  - D. then while driving

is significantly less likely to be distracted on the road. If more people rode bicycles, there would be fewer

accidents and fatalities because <u>people who ride bikes are safer</u> when compared to drivers.

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[6]

Why wouldn't you choose to ride a bike instead of driving a car? A car can definitely get you to your destination faster—but at substantial risk. A bike, on the other hand, is environmentally friendly, good for your <u>health, and</u> safer than a car. 15

- 12. F. NO CHANGE
  - G. being significantly
  - **H.** are significantly
  - **J.** is more significantly
- **13. A.** NO CHANGE
  - B. bike riders are generally safer than
  - C. people who ride bikes are safer then
  - **D.** people who bike are compared to
- 14. F. NO CHANGE
  - **G.** health while
  - H. health and,
  - J. health while.
- 15. Which of the following choices is the best way for the writer to make a more convincing argument for the passage as a whole?
  - A. NO CHANGE
  - **B.** The writer could include a paragraph about the financial benefits of riding a bike.
  - C. The writer could mention famous bike riders.
  - **D.** The writer could describe a city where a lot of people ride bikes.

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