

Parallelism

Review the following sentences for errors in parallel structure. If the sentence is correct, put a C on the line provided; if not, revise the sentence.

1. Our honors program emphasizes independent study, stimulates creative thinking, and the creative capacities of the students are developed.

2. Some of the principal reasons for going to college are to receive an education, to learn independent living, and getting a better job.

3. Bob performs his tasks quickly, willingly, and with accuracy.

4. The novel's chief character peers through a tangle of long hair, slouching along in a shambling gait, and gets into trouble constantly.

5. Oscar liked reading books, attending plays, and to search for antiques.

6. Joe's problem is not that he earns too little money but spending it foolishly.

7. In order to take jobs, join the armed forces, or so that they could get married, several members of my class have quit school.

8. Lisa's paper was not accepted because it was late, it was too short, and it is written in pencil.

9. The procedure for assembling this model consists of painting the pieces, glueing them together, and you must touch up the finished model.

10. Edith could neither recall the purse snatcher's height nor build.

11. Uncle Solomon not only flies planes but also when they need to be fixed.

12. He wishes to major either in industrial hygiene or environmental health.

13. Boris is both a clever mimic and performs magic tricks.

14. I lack not only the time but also the talent to sing in your barbershop quartet.

15. Professor Jensen was neither a good lecturer nor skilled at grading.

16. My mother was asked to bring either a dish of baked beans or a gallon of ice cream to the potluck.

17. Dominique both vacuumed the living room and the den.

18. Winter in Chicago is very windy and has many bitterly cold days.

19. The cars race down the track, turn the corner at great speed, and then they are heading for the homestretch.

20. Carol is not only very talented, but she is also acting kindly to everyone.
