

ORGANIZATION & LOGICAL ORDER

Putting Sentences in Sequential Order

Read the following paragraphs, and choose the correct answer.

1. Sam repaired the leaky roof on the old schoolhouse. During the week it took Sam to repair the roof, he became friends with Miss Katherine, the school teacher. She was surprised in Sam's love of poetry. Meanwhile Sam took on other repair jobs at the schoolhouse including repairing the windows, fixing the wobbly desk, and hanging the door straight. After each repair Sam was rewarded with jars of spiced peaches. By the end of the first semester, Sam had the schoolhouse looking new.

Which sequence best describes the order of events in this passage?

- 1) Sam took on other repair jobs at the schoolhouse.
- 2) Miss Katherine and Sam became friends.
- 3) By the end of the first semester, Sam had the schoolhouse looking new.
- 4) Sam repaired the leaky roof.

- a) 4, 2, 3, 1
- b) 3, 4, 2, 1
- c) 3, 4, 1, 2
- d) 4, 2, 1, 3

2. First Charles "Trout" Walker led an angry group of townspeople to the school house. Then he called Katherine Barlow a "Devil Woman" for kissing Sam, the onion man. Immediately after this Katherine ran to the sheriff for help, but he was drunk tried to flirt with her instead of trying to help. Trout then caught up to Katherine and Sam on his motorized boat. Katherine was rescued against her wishes and Sam was shot. Three days later Katherine shot the sheriff and kissed him, giving her the name Kissin' Kate Barlow.

Which sequence best describes the order of events in this passage?

- 1) Trout called Katherine a Devil Woman.
- 2) Katherine was rescued, and Sam was shot.
- 3) Trout Walker took the townspeople to the school house.
- 4) Kate killed the sheriff.
- 5) Katherine went to the sheriff for help.

- a) 3, 1, 5, 2, 4
- b) 3, 4, 5, 2, 1
- c) 3, 4, 1, 2, 5
- d) 3, 5, 4, 1, 2

3. After 20 years of being a bandit, Kate returned to Green Lake. The place was a ghost town and the lake had dried up. Trout and his wife, Linda Miller, found Kate and demanded that she give them her stolen treasure. Next Trout and Linda dragged Kate all over the dried up lake in her bare feet demanding she tell them where the loot was buried. Suddenly Kate was bitten by a lizard. Her last words were, "Start digging." Kate died laughing.

Which sequence best describes the order of events in this passage?

- 1) Kate walks aimlessly barefooted across the dried up lake.
- 2) Kate dies laughing.
- 3) Kate returned to Green Lake.
- 4) Trout and Linda demanded that Kate tell them where she has buried the stolen money.
- 5) A lizard bites Kate.

- a) 3, 1, 5, 2, 4
- b) 3, 4, 1, 5, 2
- c) 4, 3, 1, 2, 5
- d) 5, 3, 4, 1, 2

4. Stanley ran away from Camp Green Lake. First he had to walk across the hot desert. As soon as he became dehydrated Stanley started seeing mirages of pools of water. Stanley continued walking and noticed a rock that looked like a thumb. Although he wanted to stop, Stanley kept walking. Eventually he spotted an upside down boat called the Mary Lou. Stanley yelled, and someone yelled back. Suddenly an arm with an orange sleeve came out from under the boat and waved.

Which sequence best describes the order of events in this passage?

- 1) Stanley began to see mirages.
- 2) Stanley saw God's Thumb.
- 3) Stanley walked towards an overturned boat.
- 4) An orange arm waved.
- 5) Stanley ran away.

- a) 5, 1, 2, 4, 3
- b) 4, 5, 1, 3, 2
- c) 5, 1, 2, 3, 4
- d) 5, 3, 4, 1, 2