



B Answer Key

Chapter 3 Exercise 1: Editing

Section I: Being Concise

1. The contractor ~~did a totally complete job on the~~ completed the renovation.
2. The candidates for mayor will ~~conduct a poll of~~ the residents.
3. She said the ~~new~~ innovation would save the company money.
4. He said the birthday party was an ~~unexpected~~ surprise.
5. The police officer tried to calm ~~down~~ the accident victim.

Section II: Rewriting Wordy Sentences

1. The mayor said everyone had to co-operate ~~together~~ or someone would sue ~~file a lawsuit against~~ the city.
2. ~~It would appear that~~ The new school mascot, which alumni approved, will be at Saturday's game.
3. ~~As a matter of fact,~~ Some of the tickets were free ~~of charge~~ to the contest winners while other tickets cost ~~the sum of~~ \$50 for handling fees.
4. Police ~~claimed~~ said the armed gunman entered the bank to rob it. ~~was carrying a dangerous weapon when he entered the bank with the underlying purpose of robbing it.~~
5. Local residents said they would leave if ~~planned to evacuate in the event that~~ the floodwaters reached the riverbanks. ~~and completely destroyed the town.~~

Section III: Using Powerful Verbs

1. The car needs new paint job.
2. He plans to open a restaurant in Moncton.
3. Many students are interested in the professor's classes.

4. The province pays for the preschool nutrition program.
5. A short circuit in the church's electrical wiring caused the fire.
6. Admission to the amusement park is \$25.
7. Karen and David are planning a trip to the beach this summer.
8. John has picked up a second job to help pay for university.
9. The moderator suggested panel participants take a break.
10. She reserved three hotel rooms.

Exercise 2: Vocabulary

1. The mayor (accepted) the offer from the university board of directors to (aid) the city in its (cleanup) efforts after the storm.
2. The professor (alluded) to the chapter in the book that mentions that people will (alter) their behaviour if they are (assured) their efforts will be rewarded.
3. The (site) of the new World War II memorial (piqued) the interest of many (people) in the neighbourhood.
4. (Personnel) were asked to evaluate their (peers) in regard to (their) job performance.
5. She was afraid the club members would (waver) in defence of their actions when it was determined the (principal) planned to (censure) them for demonstrating in front of the school.
6. The restaurant (complemented) the meal with a delicious (dessert).
7. The team's (morale) was higher (than) ever after (its) undefeated season became a reality.
8. Police said the car was (stationary) when the truck (collided with) it, causing a quite a (sight) for passersby.
9. The beautiful (weather) was one of the reasons that thousands of Canadians turned out to demonstrate at the (Parliament Buildings).
10. The snowstorm during the (ascent) of the mountain peak hampered the rescue workers from reaching the climber who (suffered) a broken leg (because of) a fall from a ledge.

Chapter 9

Exercise 2: Quotations and Attribution

Wording, Placement, and Punctuation

1. "Our goal is peace," the prime minister said. (Use a comma, not a period, before the attribution, and place the punctuation mark inside the quotation mark. Transpose the attribution's wording so the subject appears before the verb. Avoid using "claimed" as a word of attribution.)
2. Benjamin Franklin said, "Death takes no bribes." (Use a comma, not a colon, before the one-sentence quotation. Because it is a complete sentence, capitalize the first word of the quotation. Place the final period inside the quotation mark.)
3. She said her son calls her literary endeavours "mom's writing thing." (Condense the attribution, and place the period inside the quotation mark. Normally, you do not need a comma before a partial quotation.)
4. He is a scuba diver and pilot. He also enjoys skydiving and explains, "I like challenge, something exciting." (Clearly attribute the direct quotation.)

5. The Mideast crisis is likely to last indefinitely, the prime minister said. (The quotation can be paraphrased more clearly and simply. Place the paraphrase before the attribution.)
6. Albert Camus wrote: “A free press can of course be good or bad, but, most certainly, without freedom it will never be anything but bad. . . . Freedom is nothing else but a chance to be better, whereas enslavement is a certainty of the worse.” (Place the attribution at the beginning, not the end, of a long quotation, and use a colon to introduce the quotation. Quotation marks do not have to be placed around every sentence in a continuing quotation. Use normal word order in the attribution.)
7. “I think that America has become too athletic,” Jesse Owens said. “From Little League to the pro leagues, sports are no longer recreation. They are big business, and they’re drudgery.” (The attribution “expressed the opinion that” is wordy. Do not place quotation marks around every sentence in a continuing quotation. If it remains at the beginning of the quotation, the attribution should be followed by a colon. Attribute a continuing direct quotation only once.)
8. The man smiled and said: “It’s a great deal for me. I expect to double my money.” (Because the quotation contains more than one sentence, “said” should be followed by a colon, not a comma. Do not use “smiled” as a word of attribution. Place quotation marks at the beginning and end of the direct quotation, not at the beginning and end of every sentence. Attribute a continuing direct quotation only once.)
9. The woman said she likes her job as a newspaper reporter and explained: “I’m not paid much, but the work is important. And it’s varied and exciting. Also, I like seeing my byline in the paper.” (Reporters should stress their source’s answer to a question, not the question. Attribute a continuing quotation only once. Avoid “grinned” as a word of attribution. The attribution “responded by saying” is wordy.)
10. The librarian said the new building will cost about \$4.6 million. (The attribution can be condensed, and by paraphrasing, you can simplify the quotation. Also, virtually all the news published in newspapers is given to reporters. You do not have to mention that routine detail in every story.)

Chapter 12

Exercise 5: Recognizing and Correcting Newswriting Errors

Section I: Agreement

1. The committee submits its data this weekend and expects the data to help the church.
2. She said the company failed to earn enough to repay its loans, and she does not expect it to reopen.
3. The jury reached its verdict at 1 a.m., concluding that the media were guilty of libelling the restaurant and its 22 employees.
4. The decision allowed the city council to postpone its vote for a week, and council members suggested that the site’s developer design a plan to save more trees.
5. A representative for the organization said it helps people who are on welfare obtain some job training and raise their self-esteem.

Section II: Plurals and Possessives

1. The women's car was parked nearby, and the sheriff's deputy asked to see the owner's driver's licence.
2. The woman said she opposes assisted suicide "because a doctor's job is to save people's lives, not end them."
3. Last year's outstanding teacher insisted that people's complaints about the school's problems are mistaken.
4. Manvel Jones's parents said their younger children's teacher earned her bachelor's degree in philosophy and her master's degree in education.
5. Everyone's money was stolen, and the neighbourhood association's president warned that the police are no longer able to guarantee people's safety in the city's poorest neighbourhoods.

Section III: Placement

1. The Board of Trustees voted 8–1 during an emergency meeting Thursday morning to fire the college president for his sexual misconduct.
2. When the guests arrived, the hotel manager took their bags to their rooms.
3. At the Unitarian church on Sunday, the union representative urged Canadians to support better working conditions for the country's immigrant workers.
4. As Zena jogged around campus, a thorn bush ripped a hole in her shirt.
5. A suspect in the burglary case involving two lawn mowers stolen from a hardware store was arrested after a high-speed chase.

Section IV: Personification

1. Slamming on the brakes, the driver turned the car to the left, narrowly missing the dog.
2. The city officials said they cannot help the three businesses whose owners asked for better lighting.
3. After detecting the outbreak, the hospital administrators admitted that seven babies born this month were infected, including one who died.
4. Firefighters treated the child for smoke inhalation, then transported her to Mercy Hospital, where her broken legs were treated.
5. The corporation officers, who denied any responsibility for the deaths, will appear in court next month.

Section V: Parallel Form

1. He was charged with driving drunk and having an expired driver's licence.
2. Karen Kim was a full-time student, Air Force reservist, and part-time worker for a veterinarian.
3. To join the club, one must be a sophomore, junior, or senior; study journalism; be in good academic standing; and have demonstrated professional journalistic ability.
4. The mayor warned that the neighbourhood's high crime rate causes residents to flee, contributes to more unemployment for workers, deprives the city of tax revenue, and lowers everyone's property values.
5. She said the other advantages of owning her own business include being independent, having flexible hours, and enduring less stress.

Section VI: Multiple Errors

1. A sheriff's deputy arrested the driver after he saw the teenager pull the Chevrolet out of the alley and drive recklessly without headlights.
2. City officials also said that they cannot silence Sooyoung Li, the woman who fears pollution is likely to affect the neighbourhood's 300 residents.
3. Seeking more money, publicity, and help for the poor, the church's members said they want the city to help them by providing food and housing for the homeless.
4. A spokesperson said the Public Works Department could pave the development's road itself for less than \$1.2 million. The Roess Company submitted a bid of \$2.74 million.
5. A jury awarded almost \$10.5 million to the operators of an abortion clinic who charged that picketers tormented them and their clients. The clinic's operators praised the jury's verdict, saying the jurors' courage and understanding set a needed precedent.

Chapter 13

Exercise 4: Format, Copy Editing, and CP Style

1. The priest celebrated mass during their marriage ceremony.
2. Morgan's new book is titled Rachael's New Glasses.
3. Her dad celebrates his birthday in August.
4. The jury found him not guilty.
5. The miniature ponies were raised in Elliott County.
6. The mayor lives on Morning Glory St.
7. Seven of the people in the room were reading newspapers.
8. Jean and Diane's room was in a mess.
9. Neither Jason nor his friends were going to the party.
10. The wine was bottled in October 2002.
11. Most news organizations want a reporter with a bachelor's degree in journalism.
12. The police clocked the mayor going 30 km/h over the speed limit.
13. She will remember Sept. 11, 2001, always.
14. Manuel Middlebrooks Jr. works for CSIS.