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1.02 Sentence Imitation

**Part A**

**Directions: Read each model sentence, and then select the sentence that imitates it.**

1. “His face was bloody, his shirt torn and bloody down the front.”

(Hal Borland, *When the Legends Die*)

a. The day was perfect, the sky blue and perfect in the heavens.

b. His sister married someone they didn’t know, a stranger to the family.

Answer Choice:

2. “Big, rough teenagers jostled through the crowd, their sleeves rolled high enough to show off blue and red tattoos.”

(Robert Lipsyte, *The Contender*)

a. An old, large man reached for the available chair and sat down, huffing and puffing, before I could get there.

b. Silent, silver fish moved through the tank, their bodies sleek enough to suggest larger and more dangerous predators.

Answer Choice:

3. “Soon a glow began in the dark, a tiny circle barely red.”

(Joseph Krumgold, *Onion John*)

a. Then a sound came through the night, a small rustle hardly heard.

b. We planned carefully for the party, wanting it to be a success.

Answer Choice:

**Part B**

**Directions: Write your own sentence imitating the original sentence. Follow the patterns in phrases, clauses, or punctuation, but change the words and meaning.**

4. “Milk was spilled, spit, and sputtered.”

(Margie Palatini, *Bedhead*)

Sentence Imitation:

5. “He steals food right off the kitchen counter, chases the neighbor’s cats, howls whenever I’m away, and tore my best camel hair coat!”

(Mark Teague, *Dear Mrs. LaRue)*

Sentence Imitation:

6. “The dog stood up and growled like a lion, stiff-standing hackles, teeth uncovered as he lashed up his fury for the charge.”

(Zora Neale Hurston, *Their Eyes Were Watching God)*

Sentence Imitation:

7. “Her mother went back to her picking, but Little Sal, because her feet were tired of standing and walking, sat down in the middle of a large clump of bushes and ate blueberries.”

(Robert McCloskey, *Blueberries for Sal)*

Sentence Imitation:

8. “She sat with a smile on her face, as if to say how pleased, how privileged, she felt to be there, how alert and ready to respond to the demands of this life she was, once she understood what they were.”

(Alice Munro, *Too Much Happiness)*

Sentence Imitation:

9. Choose your own author and sentence to imitate.

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