

**Advanced Exercises for****Misplaced, Dangling, Ambiguous Modifiers and Split Infinitives**

**Directions:** Write **C** if the sentence is correct or **I** if the sentence is incorrect. On a separate sheet of paper, write a correction for the incorrect sentences.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. She had been in bed only for approximately fifteen minutes when the phone rang.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. The mother said that she wanted only the best for her daughter.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. She read nearly the whole series in one summer.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. We paddled to the location where we had seen an alligator in our canoe.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. He ate nearly the whole box of doughnuts.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. She tripped over a gnawed dog's toy.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. Marlene bought one of the damaged girls' dresses that were on sale.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. Tommy could afford only one of the two CDs that he wanted.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 9. He bought a dessert for his wife covered in whipped cream.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 10. Do you know where I can get a blue child's sweater?
- \_\_\_\_\_ 11. They watched as the Navy ship left the dock that would soon be in the Indian Ocean.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 12. The average American spends almost one half of his income on credit card payments.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 13. Randy found a dog in his garage that he had never seen before.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 14. They bought a used SUV from a dealer that had brand new tires.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 15. Although she keeps trying, she still has trouble driving a car with a standard transmission.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 16. Only one student knew the answer.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 17. We watched the helicopter take off from our classroom window.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 18. The boss said that no one could throw anything in the garbage bin but the janitor.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 19. Never give a bone to a dog that can be swallowed.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 20. The football player kissed his mother in his uniform.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 21. She said that they usually post the final grades on their office doors.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 22. They had to quickly notify the doctor.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 23. Advertising agencies and their clients should be ashamed of stereotyping women on television commercials.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 24. He saw the dog covered with mud.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 25. I read that she had a baby in the newspaper.