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Application phase:

Comma staircase

Video 3

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Approach to comma problems on ACT:

1. Select an answer choice that looks easiest.
2. Trace in the commas for the answer choice onto the ACT test.
3. Label clauses Independent or Dependent
4. Approach each question based upon the number of commas.
Note: Think of each comma rule as you count the commas.
5. Process of elimination. Cross out answers that are identified as incorrect.

1. This vast chapel displays what many consider some of the most important works of Renaissance art: Michelangelo's awe-inspiring frescoes.

- A. NO CHANGE
- B. consider some,
- C. consider, some,
- D. consider, some

2. Because we have two adopted dogs, both of which are shelter mutt, flying is not an option; we want the dogs with us and we want to avoid paying both boarding fees.

- A. NO CHANGE
- B. dogs both of which are shelter mutts,
- C. dogs both, of which, are shelter mutts
- D. dogs both of which are shelter mutts

3. Even as car makers work diligently to improve safety on the road particularly during dangerous nighttime driving, no device can replace the vigilance and skill of the driver.

A. NO CHANGE

B. road particularly, during,

C. road particularly during,

D. road, particularly during

4. Contrary to advertisements seen on television, read, in magazines, or heard on the radio, spending a lot of money on a gift for a friend or loved one is totally unnecessary.

A. NO CHANGE

B. television read in magazines

C. television; read in magazines

D. television, read in magazines,

5. Then finally in August 1920, after more than seventy years and countless parades, speeches, letters, and calls, the Nineteenth Amendment, to the U.S. Constitution, was ratified, thus giving all women the right to vote.

F. NO CHANGE

G. Amendment to the U.S. Constitution

H. Amendment, to the U.S. Constitution

J. Amendment to the U.S. Constitution,

1. Steps in evaluation

Review:

- a. Select choice-easiest 1st
- b. Trace in punctuation
- c. Label I or D
- d. Evaluate and cross out

2. 1 comma-Comma Chair

3. 2 commas-Mr. Chung

4. Multiple Commas-Comma Staircase

5. Comma Fence

6. Mr. Chung-Belt buckle necklace P

7. Dot Dot- :

8. Dot Comma- ;