

**Sentence Composing-Sentence Openers  
Practice Test 2**

Circle the number of the sentence with a sentence opener in each pair below. (*Internal punctuation has been omitted; you should recognize openers by their words.*)

- 1a. Jumping up and down like a pogo stick Jack made his way to the bathroom.
- 1b. He ran to the stadium early hoping to see Green Bay Packers get out of their cars.
  
- 2a. When she got to the corner she turned left and disappeared.
- 2b. Margot drove down the street and she ran into a truck.
  
- 3a. A large box sat on the porch just waiting to be opened up.
- 3b. Stretched out on the porch the old dog lay in the afternoon sun.

Make the underlined part of the second sentence a sentence opener for the first sentence. **Write your new sentence on the lines, putting in correct capitalization and punctuation. Also, write what type of an opener you have created.**

- 4. Mike walked into the class yesterday. He was screaming loudly.

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\_\_\_\_\_  
Type of opener: \_\_\_\_\_

- 5. My mother was baking a birthday cake. It was for Dad's surprise party.

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\_\_\_\_\_  
Type of opener: \_\_\_\_\_

- 6. We all stood up and said the Pledge. This happened when announcements came on.

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\_\_\_\_\_  
Type of opener: \_\_\_\_\_

**In each group below, unscramble the sentence parts to create a sentence that begins with a sentence opener.**

- 7. but the test was postponed  
my friend stayed home from school  
hoping that he would miss the science test

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\_\_\_\_\_  
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- 8. in the dark  
because the electricity went off  
we ate our dinner

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Combine the list of sentences together, remembering to begin with a sentence opener. Remember to use correct capitalization and punctuation.**

- 9. It happened when the storm began.  
The lightning struck the trees.  
It split them in half.  
It destroyed them.

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Use your imagination to add a sentence opener to each sentence below. You may not use the same type opener for every sentence. Remember to add only a sentence part, not a second sentence. Rewrite the sentence using proper capitalization and punctuation. Also, write the type of opener you have created.

- 10. ^ They were more scared than they had ever been.

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\_\_\_\_\_  
Type of opener \_\_\_\_\_

- 11. ^ Mrs. Jones wrote a note to Jack's teacher.

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Type of opener: \_\_\_\_\_

**For the last three sentences you will write your own creative sentence, using a sentence opener with a certain amount of words. One sentence will require 1-5 words, another 6-10 words, the last 11-20 words.**