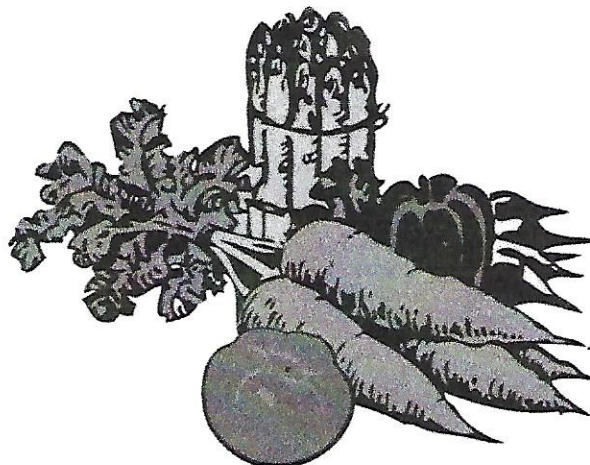


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*Nina is almost ready to submit this paper to her language arts teacher. Before she turns it in, she would like to have a peer-editor read her paper and look for any revisions or corrections she needs to make. When you finish reading, answer the questions that follow.*

## Fresh Vegetables



(1) "Hey, Barbara, let's get going," Mom hollered. (2) "The morning is more than half over."

(3) "I'm sorry, Mom," Barbara replied, she walked slowly into the kitchen. (4) "I stayed up late working on my science research paper. (5) I weren't finished with my homework. (6) It's due in a week. (7) I'm pretty much ready. (8) What exactly are we going to be doing today?"

(9) "I am going to show you how to grow fresh vegetables in a few containers," Mom said. (10) "I are tired of the taste of the vegetables that we have been getting. (11) The ones available from the grocery store are not fresh. (12) I want and you need fresh veggies. (13) Besides, we will save money, too."

(14) "Have you ever done this before, Mom?" Barbara asked, wiping the sleep from her eyes. (15) A shake of her head followed a shrug of her shoulders.

(16) "Nope," Mom said with a grin, "but I've read up on it. (17) With my brains and your muscles, we will have those tomatoes, green peppers, and green beans planted in no time."

(18) Barbara gave her mother a sideways glance and frowned but said nothing.

(19) "I know it's late already," mom said, "but you need a good, nutritious breakfast in order to last the day. (20) Sit down, eat what's on your plate, and we can get started."

(21) After breakfast, Barbara's mom took her out to the small patio. (22) Barbara followed her mother's directions and slowly they put soil, plant food, and organic nutrients in a bucket as they mixed them all together. (23) Barbara doled out the garden mixture to five round containers and added young plants. (24) Young plants seem to cost more than seeds. (25) Finally, Barbara moved the containers to get the most sunlight during the day and ended the lengthy task by carefully watering each container.

(26) "Looks good," Mom said.

(27) "It sure does," Barbara agreed because a smile moved across her lips. (28) "Even though I'm exhausted, I'm surprised, I feel pretty good. (29) Okay is the word I'm looking for."

(30) "Yes, me too," Mom said.

(31) "Can we clean up and get something to cool to drink?" asked Barbara.

***Read Nina's paper and think about how it should be revised.***

**(Category 2 – 14 C – RS)**

1. Which sentence could be added after sentence 2 to strengthen the introduction to this story?
- A I think the door needs painting.
  - B I am half as old as my brother.
  - C In the meantime, our car needs a car wash and some gas.
  - D At this rate, it will be August before you ever get out the door.

(Category 2 – 14 C – RS)

2. Nina would like to add the following sentence to the eighth paragraph (sentences 21-25).

*They got right to work.*

Where is the BEST place to insert this sentence?

- F After sentence 21
- G After sentence 22
- H After sentence 23
- J After sentence 24

(Category 2 – 14 C – RS)

3. Nina is concerned that there is a sentence in the eighth paragraph (sentences 21-25) that does not add anything to this paper. Which sentence should Nina delete from this paragraph?

- A Sentence 22
- B Sentence 23
- C Sentence 24
- D Sentence 25

(Category 2 – 14 C – RS)

4. The word *because* does not appropriately connect the two clauses in sentence 27. Which word should replace the word *because*?

- F if
- G while
- H although
- J where

(Category 2 – 14 C – RS)

5. Nina has used a poor choice of words in sentence 29. She should change *Okay* to –

- A Sure
- B Neat
- C Proud
- D Up