

# C1 Advanced Key Word Transformations Practice Test (Sample)

## Study Guide



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## Questions

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  - A. You should practice regularly to get better**
  - B. It is crucial to practice if you want to enhance your skills**
  - C. If you want to improve, you need to practice regularly**
  - D. Practicing is important for your improvement**
  
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  - A. is said to have damaged**
  - B. is reported to have harmed**
  - C. is alleged to have damaged**
  - D. is considered to have harmed**
  
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  - C. often suggested by**
  - D. noted for its quality by**
  
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  - A. It was strained.**
  - B. They were inspired by her work ethic.**
  - C. They seldom interacted.**
  - D. They lived far apart.**
  
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- 9. What surprised me recently regarding Jessica?**
- A. she's no longer in touch**
  - B. she won an award**
  - C. her well-being**
  - D. she is moving away**
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- A. She sold her house.**
  - B. She bought a new house.**
  - C. She had her house done up.**
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## **Answers**

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1. C
2. C
3. A
4. B
5. A
6. A
7. B
8. A
9. C
10. C

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## **Explanations**

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The chosen transformation effectively conveys the necessity of practice to achieve improvement by explicitly linking the condition of wanting to improve with the requirement of regular practice. The structure "If you want to improve, you need to practice regularly" establishes a clear cause-and-effect relationship, emphasizing that improvement is contingent upon the action of practicing. This transformation highlights the essential role practice plays in enhancing skills and directly addresses the reader's motivation to improve, making it an effective and direct statement. The use of "need" reinforces the idea that practice is not just beneficial but a requirement for improvement. Other transformations may suggest the importance or benefit of practice but lack the same assertiveness in conveying that improvement is inherently dependent on the action of practicing. Therefore, the chosen option stands out as the most effective expression of the necessity of practice.

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The rephrased sentence, "A visitor to the art gallery is alleged to have damaged an 18th century painting," effectively conveys the notion that there is a claim or assertion regarding the visitor's actions, without implying certainty. The use of "alleged" suggests that the information is based on an accusation or belief rather than verified evidence, which is appropriate in contexts where events are still under investigation or are subject to dispute. This word choice maintains a neutral stance regarding potential guilt or wrongdoing, simply stating that such a claim exists. In contrast, other options introduce different nuances. For example, "is said to have damaged" and "is reported to have harmed" focus more on what people are saying or reporting rather than on the legal or protective connotations of "alleged." Additionally, "is considered to have harmed" implies a more definitive judgment about the visitor's actions, suggesting a consensus or conclusion rather than an ongoing discourse about the event. Thus, "is alleged to have damaged" stands out as the most suitable transformation for preserving the original meaning while reflecting the uncertainty surrounding the claim.

3. This anti-aging cream was \_\_\_\_\_ Clarissa.

**A. highly recommended to me by**

**B. frequently discussed by**

**C. often suggested by**

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The choice "highly recommended to me by" is correct because it conveys a strong endorsement or approval from someone about the anti-aging cream, indicating that Clarissa is the source of that recommendation. This phrase effectively communicates that someone, presumably Clarissa, has advised others to use the cream, suggesting it is perceived positively and reliably. When we look at the other options, "frequently discussed by" suggests a general conversation about the cream rather than a personal recommendation. It implies that people talk about it often, but not necessarily in a positive or directive manner. "Often suggested by" also indicates that the cream is mentioned to others, but lacks the stronger connotation of enthusiasm or trust that "highly recommended" provides. Finally, "noted for its quality by" focuses on the cream's quality rather than the action of a recommendation, which doesn't fit the context of personal advice from Clarissa. Therefore, "highly recommended to me by" captures the intent of expressing strong approval and personal advocacy, making it the best fit for the sentence.

4. What does the speaker's relationship with their grandmother suggest?

**A. It was strained.**

**B. They were inspired by her work ethic.**

**C. They seldom interacted.**

**D. They lived far apart.**

The speaker's relationship with their grandmother suggests that they were inspired by her work ethic. This indicates a positive connection where the speaker admires the grandmother's diligence and tenacity. It implies that the grandmother's values and actions had a significant influence on the speaker's own attitudes or life choices. The admiration often stems from the lessons learned or the example set by the grandmother, highlighting a relationship built on respect and inspiration rather than negativity or distance. Such a dynamic often leads to a deeper appreciation and a strong bond between family members. In contrast, the other options suggest negative or neutral aspects of a relationship, such as strain, minimal interaction, or physical separation, none of which align with the idea of being inspired by someone's qualities or work ethic. Thus, the correct answer emphasizes a relationship characterized by admiration and influence rather than conflict or distance.

5. How can "I could go if I wanted to" be rewritten using "able"?

- A. I would be able to attend if I choose to**
- B. I will be able to go if I want to**
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The response "I would be able to attend if I choose to" effectively transforms the original statement while maintaining the intended meaning. In this rewritten form, "would be able to" indicates that the speaker has the capability or permission to attend, emphasizing the conditional nature of their willingness to go. The use of "if I choose to" reflects the element of choice inherent in the original statement, acknowledging that the decision to go is contingent on the speaker's desire. This mirrors the original meaning of having the ability to go, should they wish to do so. The other options don't capture the essence of the original phrase as accurately. For example, using "will be able" moves to a future tense, which changes the time frame of the statement. "Could be able" adds an unnecessary layer of uncertainty, and "may be able" implies likelihood rather than ability, which alters the original message. Thus, the chosen transformation keeps the focus on the conditional ability to attend, making it a suitable replacement.

6. This holiday is within our price range, provided we don't frequent the expensive restaurants. What is an accurate rephrasing?

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The correct rephrasing conveys the idea that the holiday is financially manageable, with the understanding that avoiding expensive dining options makes it affordable. The phrase "can afford this/the holiday as/so long" effectively captures this conditional statement, indicating that the ability to afford the holiday hinges on a specific action—namely, not eating at costly restaurants. This wording succinctly combines the notion of affordability with the condition that allows for it, maintaining the original meaning while changing the structure. The other options, while they may suggest variations of enjoying or being able to pay for the holiday, do not align as closely with the specific condition presented in the original statement. This aspect of conditional clarity is essential for accurately representing the original intent.

**7. How can the requirement to finish an assignment by Friday be phrased using "must"?**

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The phrasing that uses "must" effectively conveys a strong obligation or requirement to complete the assignment by Friday. When someone says, "You must complete the assignment by Friday," it clearly indicates that this is a non-negotiable requirement, emphasizing the necessity of finishing the task by that deadline. In contrast, the other options present varying degrees of obligation or advice. For example, suggesting "should" implies a recommendation rather than an obligation, while "could" indicates a possibility rather than a requirement. The phrase "have to" expresses a strong obligation as well, but it typically reflects an external necessity rather than a direct command. Hence, "must" is specific in its intensity and urgency, making it the most appropriate choice for this context.

**8. Which phrase demonstrates the need for careful writing in an essay?**

- A. take more care**
- B. write more carelessly**
- C. have less attention**
- D. give more time**

The phrase "take more care" effectively conveys the necessity for careful writing in an essay. This expression emphasizes the importance of being meticulous and attentive to detail while composing an essay, ensuring clarity and coherence in the arguments presented. Careful writing enhances the overall quality of the essay, allowing the writer to convey their ideas effectively and engage their audience. In contrast, the other options suggest a lack of diligence or a more relaxed approach to writing, which would undermine the quality and effectiveness of an essay. Therefore, "take more care" stands out as the most relevant choice for highlighting the importance of careful writing.

**9. What surprised me recently regarding Jessica?**

- A. she's no longer in touch
- B. she won an award
- C. her well-being**
- D. she is moving away

The correct choice revolves around the aspect of surprise that pertains to personal feelings or conditions regarding Jessica. When discussing someone's well-being, it is often tied to emotional or health matters, which can vary greatly and influence a person's life significantly. Therefore, being surprised by Jessica's well-being suggests that something unforeseen happened that impacted how she is doing, indicating a shift from what was previously known or expected. While the other choices refer to factual statements or changes in Jessica's situation—such as her being out of touch, winning an award, or moving away—the surprise element in these instances may not evoke the same depth of concern or personal intrigue as her well-being. Health and emotional states are inherently more variable and private, hence finding out something surprising about how Jessica is coping or feeling would likely elicit a stronger reaction.

**10. What action did Sue take regarding her house this summer?**

- A. She sold her house.
- B. She bought a new house.
- C. She had her house done up.**
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The choice indicating that Sue had her house done up is particularly insightful because it suggests that she made improvements or renovations to her existing home rather than disposing of it or purchasing a different one. This option reflects a proactive approach to enhancing her living space, emphasizing maintenance and aesthetic improvement. In contrast, the other options imply either the sale or purchase of property, which would denote significant changes in her residence status. Choosing to renovate or update a house, as suggested by having it done up, often aligns with personal investment in a property, which can indicate a commitment to where one lives rather than a desire to move on or detach from it. This action reflects common homeowner behavior during summer, a traditional season for renovations and home improvements due to favorable weather conditions.