Reading selection and choose the best answer to each question. Then fill in the answer on your answer document.

Ari would like to see a new program instituted at his school. He has written this paper to convince others that the program would be valuable in many ways. Read Ari’s paper and look for the revisions he needs to make. Then answer the questions that follow.

**Our School Needs a Citizenship Program**

(1) The bell rings, the lockers slam, and the crowded hallways empty as kids and teachers fill the classrooms, ready to begin a new school day. (2) Students study math, science, history, literature, music, and art. (3) They write essays, take tests, do homework, and sports practices. (4) But should they do more? (5) Could school be a place where students are part of something bigger than just academics and activities? (6) The answer is yes. (7) Our school should join other schools and have great projects for kids.

(8) My former school took part in a citizenship program. (9) At the beginning of each semester, every homeroom class had to come up with a project that would benefit the entire school. (10) Throughout the semester students in the class worked together to complete the project.

(11) The projects students chose were as diverse as the classes that selected them. (12) One class chose to implement a recycling program in the cafeteria. (13) A second class had the highest scores on the midyear science exam. (14) Another class painted a beautiful mural on one of the walls in the school’s entryway. (15) Our class took over the garden that had been planted near the front doors the previous year.

(16) This would be really good at our school. (17) Research shows that students who volunteer their time and talents feel better about themselves and make better grades in school. (18) Furthermore, the work...
students save the school district money because students provide the labor and local businesses often donate the materials. (19) Finally, students feel more connected to a campus that they have helped clean, beautify, and organize.

(20) A citizenship program is a great way to get them involved in making a school a more enjoyable place to learn. (21) At the end of the year, when they look back on all they have accomplished, they feel proud of both themselves and their school.
7 What is the most effective revision to make in sentence 3?
   A They write essays, take tests, and do homework while there are sports practices.
   B They write essays, take tests, do homework, and attend sports practices.
   C They write essays, take tests, and do homework, they also go to sports practices.
   D Sentence 3 is written correctly in the paper.

8 Ari would like to revise sentence 7 so that it more clearly states the position he is taking in this paper. Which of the following could replace sentence 7 and BEST accomplish this goal?
   F Our school should join other schools in implementing a citizenship program that will require service projects within the school.
   G School can be a place where students are part of something bigger than just academics, classrooms, and lunchrooms.
   H We as a school can offer programs that help kids do amazing things with their lives today and add to their futures.
   J In this paper I’ll tell you how we can set some new goals and encourage kids in our school to be more responsible.
9 Ari has left an important detail out of the second paragraph (sentences 8–10).

At the end of the grading period, each student received a citizenship grade in addition to his or her academic grades.

Where is the BEST place to insert this sentence?

A Before sentence 8
B After sentence 8
C After sentence 9
D After sentence 10

10 Ari has included an extraneous sentence in the third paragraph (sentences 11–15). Which sentence should be deleted from this paragraph?

F Sentence 12
G Sentence 13
H Sentence 14
J Sentence 15

11 Which of the following can replace sentence 16 and serve as a more effective topic sentence for the fourth paragraph (sentences 16–19)?

A A citizenship program at our school would offer many benefits.
B This would be really cool at our school, too.
C Everyone knows that kids who volunteer feel better about themselves.
D Students can be involved in a variety of projects with their classmates.
12 The meaning of sentence 20 can be clarified by changing them to —

F businesses
G programs
H students
J schools

13 Ari wants to close his paper with a call to action. Which of these sentences could be added after sentence 21 to accomplish this goal?

A In closing, students will be proud of what they’ve done to improve their school and community.
B A citizenship program is a valuable idea for helping people get things done that might not otherwise be done.
C Let’s give students at our school an opportunity to experience that pride by beginning a citizenship program here.
D Clearly, the extra work is worth the effort for everyone who is involved in creating a citizenship program today.