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## **INTRODUCTORY ELEMENTS WORKSHEET #2**

## **EXERCISE**

Add commas to the following sentences to correct sentences that are incorrectly punctuated. Put a C beside those sentences that are correct and do not require punctuation.

- 1. Although the economy remained sluggish, the utility company posted a fourth-quarter profit.
- 2. I think that the worst has happened whenever the phone rings in the middle of the night. C
- 3. Read the lead editorial in the Sunday paper when you have a moment. C
- 4. To get the best possible results, he carefully measured the ingredients before he combined them.
- 5. Encouraged by her success, she tried even harder than before.
- 6. To reach the airport in time, the French ambassador had to secure a police escort.
- 7. Paddling one's own canoe is the only way to get to the isolated island. C
- 8. Since the Jacobsens moved in next door, we have had more fun at neighborhood functions.
- 9. What we are interested in is the work of Anna Dickens, a professor at Duke University. C
- 10. After meeting for four hours, the board adjourned without resolving the problem
- 11. To support our communities, many people give their time to volunteer activities.
- 12. Waving wildly, Carly flagged down a passing motorist.
- 13. Sure, you can go with us.
- 14. Anticipating poor weather conditions, the hikers dressed warmly.
- 15. Taking out his checkbook, my father angrily paid for the broken window.
- 16. Eating correctly can mean the difference between life and death. C
- 17. In addition to eating well, one must also exercise regularly.
- 18. Located in Paris, the Eiffel tower is a popular tourist attraction.
- 19. Although no one believed me, I was caught in traffic and could not get to class.

- 20. We missed the bus because the alarm clock failed to go off. C
- 21. Giving children responsibility helps them develop a good self-image. C
- 22. Adjusting the draperies took longer than he had expected. C
- 23. During our week-long visit to New York, we visited the Whitney Museum.
- 24. Taking tests has always been a challenge for Tim. C
- 25. The lights having come on, the band began to play again.
- 26. You missed the information for the test since you were absent. C
- 27. Living in America offers many opportunities. C
- 28. He took a long shower after he had mowed the yard. C
- 29. To win the game the team had to score another touchdown. C
- 30. Because it rained, the ball game was canceled.