

Review: Basic Conventions

Name _____

Date _____

Your Turn

Answer each of the following questions.

1. Which of the following is not a correct basic punctuation rule?
 - a. Place a question mark after a sentence that asks a question.
 - b. Use a comma and connecting word to join the parts of a compound sentence.
 - c. Use commas in years, but not in large numbers.
 - d. Use apostrophes to show possession.

2. Which of the following is a correct capitalization rule?
 - a. Capitalize all proper nouns and words used as names.
 - b. Capitalize titles.
 - c. Capitalize the names of races, languages, nationalities, and religions.
 - d. Capitalize geographic place-names.
 - e. All of the above.

3. Underline the correct words in parentheses in the following sentence.
 I have (fewer, less) siblings (than, then) Jerry does, but my family is just as entertaining as his.

4. Underline the correct words in the following sentence.
 (It's, Its) going (to, too, two) take someone with (good, well) leadership skills to run for student council president.

5. True or false? Two simple sentences can be connected with only a comma. _____

6. True or false? A sentence must have a subject and a predicate (a verb). _____

Reflect:

What did you learn about the English language from this chapter?

Describe one basic convention rule that you didn't know before studying this chapter.
