

More Proofreading Practice Worksheet 10-1

Instructions

Read the paragraphs and correct the errors. Most mistakes are related to appositives, complex sentences and sentences that don't seem to stop.

Proofreading 1

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Proofreading 2

While parked beside a convenience store. The policeman watched Steve drive through a school zone at fifty-five kilometers per hour the speed limit was fifteen kilometers per hour, so the policeman gave Steve a ticket. Steve a calm and logical person tried to explain that there weren't any signs after listening to the story the policeman just wrote a ticket.

Proofreading 3

When I was a kid. We had many pets in the house the first one, a German Shepard, was called Max. She loved to play outside in the park. Splash in the lake. She also used to chew my running shoes. Even though I loved her. That made me angry.

More Proofreading Practice - Answers

Worksheet 10-2

Proofreading 1

One possible answer:

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Proofreading 2

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Proofreading 3

One possible answer:

When I was a kid, we had many pets in the house. The first one, a German Shepard, was called Max. She loved to play outside in the park **and** splash in the lake. She also used to chew my running shoes. Even though I loved her, that made me angry.

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