

Sample Parallel Structure Exercise

Possible Answers

Make appropriate corrections to the following sentences.

1. The most important things for an athlete to remember are to work out regularly, to play above her skill level, and having fun.

The most important things for an athlete to remember are to work out regularly, to play above her skill level, and to have fun.

2. It was both a long ceremony and very tedious.

It was a long, tedious ceremony.

3. Recently the media have focused too much attention on the results of bad weather, the outcomes of baseball games, and Britney Spears' personal life.

Recently the media have focused too much attention on the results of bad weather, the outcomes of baseball games, and the details of Britney Spears' personal life.

4. The young drivers were not only late getting home but they got caught also racing on the quiet country road.

The young drivers were not only late getting home but also caught racing on the quiet country road.

5. His days were filled with designing the new process, encouraging others to try it, and he had to attend more meetings than he wanted.

His days were filled with designing the new process, encouraging others to try it, and attending more meetings than he wanted.

6. She redesigned the entire page for clarity, attractiveness, and to make it easier for people to read.

She redesigned the entire page for clarity, attractiveness, and readability.