



Textual Grammar

3.5 The Alchemy of Nature

□ Choose the correct options for the following:

(1) We went to a rocky beach and saw the spread of the majestic ocean.

(Rewrite using 'No sooner ...than')

- (a) No sooner did we went to a rocky beach than we saw the spread of the majestic ocean.
- (b) No sooner we went to a rocky beach than we saw the spread of the majestic ocean.
- (c) No sooner did we go to a rocky beach than we saw the spread of the majestic ocean.
- (d) No sooner did we go to a rocky beach than saw the spread of the majestic ocean.

(2) Water is so gentle. (Rewrite as an exclamatory sentence.)

- (a) What so gentle water is!
- (b) How gentle water is!
- (c) How gentle is water!
- (d) What gentle water is!

(3) We experience the alchemy of nature. (Rewrite using 'Present Perfect Tense')

- (a) We have experienced the alchemy of nature.

- (b) We experienced the alchemy of nature.
- (c) We had experienced the alchemy of nature.
- (d) We have experience the alchemy of nature.

(4) We saw an army of ants. (Choose the correct sentence of passive voice.)

- (a) An army of ants are seen by us.
- (b) An army of ants were seen by us.
- (c) An army of ants is seen by us.
- (d) An army of ants was seen by us.

(5) The wind makes trees dance with unhindered passion.

(Frame a 'Wh-Question' to get underlined part as answer)

- (a) When does the wind make trees dance?
- (b) Why does the wind make trees dance?
- (c) How does the wind make trees dance?
- (d) Where does the wind make trees dance?

(6) We have a hibiscus plant in our garden. (Choose the correct tail tag)

- (a) do we?
- (b) didn't we?
- (c) have we?
- (d) don't we?

(7) We saw a tree bare of all leaves. (Identify the tense)

- (a) Simple Past tense
- (b) Simple Present tense
- (c) Past perfect tense
- (d) Present perfect tense

(8) A rainbow colours the entire sky. (Frame Yes/No - type question)

- (a) Did a rainbow colour the entire sky?
- (b) Does a rainbow colour the entire sky?
- (c) Do a rainbow colour the entire sky?
- (d) Is a rainbow colour the entire sky?

(9) The flower comes to life only for a day, yet it does so in full splendour. (Rewrite using 'Though')

- (a) The flower comes to life only for a day, though yet it does so in full splendour.
- (b) The flower comes to life only for a day, though it does so in full splendour.

- (c) Though the flower comes to life only for a day, it does so in full splendour.
(d) Though the flower comes to life only for a day, yet it does so in full splendour.

(10) Their teamwork and perseverance were impressive. (Rewrite using 'not only..... but also')

- (a) Not only their teamwork but also perseverance were impressive.
(b) Their teamwork not only perseverance but also were impressive.
(c) Not only their teamwork and but also perseverance were impressive.
(d) Their not only teamwork but also perseverance were impressive.

Answer sheet

1. (c) **No sooner** did we go to a rocky beach **than** we saw the spread of the majestic ocean.
2. (b) How gentle water is!
3. (a) We have experienced the alchemy of nature.
4. (d) An army of ants was seen by us.
5. (b) Why does the wind make trees dance?
6. (c) have we?
7. (a) Simple Past tense
8. (b) Does a rainbow colour the entire sky?
9. (c) **Though** the flower comes to life only for a day, it does so in full splendour.
10. (a) **Not only** their teamwork **but also** perseverance were impressive.

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