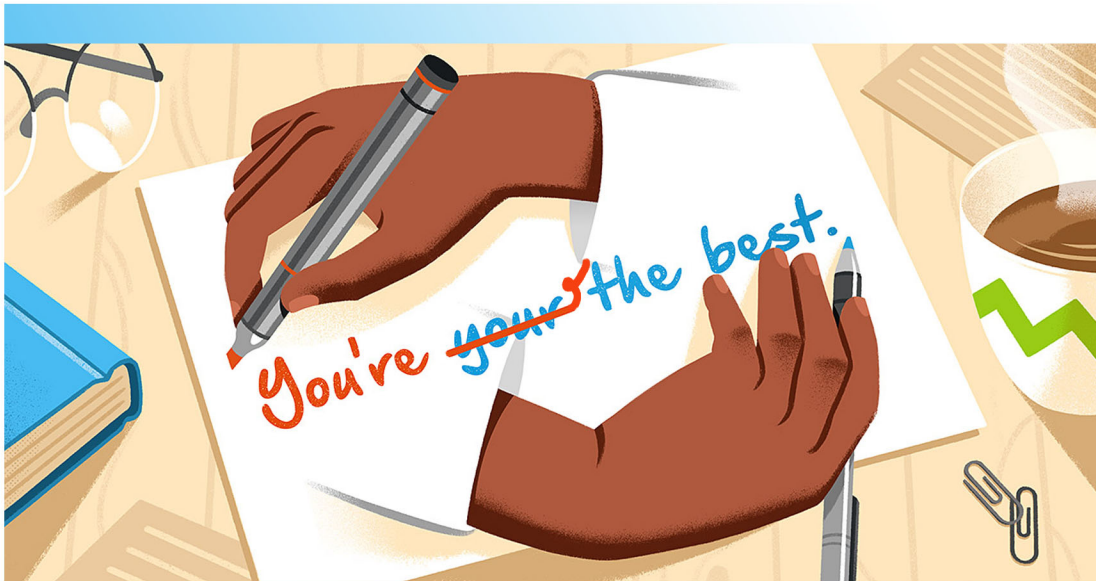




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DIRECTIONS: This test is divided into three sections. Write your responses as indicated.  
You have 15 minutes.

Part 1: Circle the correct response. (1 pt. each)

1. Cooking **barbeque / barbecue / BBQ** is an art form with competitions and prizes available for those who do it well.
2. A cheap deli meat sandwich is a bun with mustard and **bologna / baloney**.
3. Some **resturants / restaurants** are more expensive than others.
4. "I think I must be **hungary / hungry**," she said.
5. Generally, the best pulled pork comes from the **south / South**.
6. Along with good food comes good music. **Whose / Who's** the best Friday night band?
7. I like a loud **Country / country** band in a rocking restaurant.
8. A big **brisket / brisquet** sandwich with peppery sauce and foot-tapping music is worth trying.
9. Those who are looking for a fine dining experience and are willing to spend the **big bucs / bucks** for a night of fun may have to travel to a metro area.
10. Since I have always been a tomboy, my **fiancee / fiancé** picked out a less ornate ring.
11. When I need to share secrets, I call my **confidant / confidante**.
12. People who are not Jewish are **gentle / gentile**.
13. A synonym for hell is **Hades / hades**.
14. The **lady / woman** sitting next to me in the movie theater stayed on her phone.
15. Someone who slows down traffic to get a good look at a wreck is called a **leatherneck / rubbernecker**.

Part 2: Edit the following sentences to eliminate wordiness as well as any errors in AP style, grammar, spelling or punctuation. Use clearly understood editing symbols. (2 pts. each)

1. In the past few years twenty five students have indicated an interest in attending yale, Brown university and Stanford.
2. The region service center, naming english teacher Kim Holt as secondary teacher of the year, awarded her one thousand dollars on thursday.
3. 45 students in eighth grade will attend the John Hayes memorial Relays in El Paso today. Several meet records are up for grabs as a 100 contenders from 6 schools compete.
4. More than sixty students attended a music festival in Indianapolis, IN, this passed Weekend.
5. The band sold twenty-two cases of candy bars, 432 bottles of gatorade and two Hundred bags of popcorn during the softball play-off game.