

# SAT Reading and Writing

## Week 3

<p>1.</p> <p>The common solution of building more roads may not have the desired effect of reducing rush-hour traffic. For example, the Katy Freeway project in Houston cost millions of dollars and the upshot was that congestion got worse, with travel times increasing by over fifty percent during the evening rush hour and by a third in the mornings. This increase in travel time can be attributed to "induced demand," a concept coined by economists in the 1960s. Induced demand is based on the idea that the production of more of a good leads to increased consumption. In the same way, if more roads are provided, more people are encouraged to drive.</p>	<p>1. According to the text, what is induced demand?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A. An idea that contradicts a widespread belief that congestion is the result of road building</li><li>B. A phenomenon that is rarely taken into account when road systems are being planned</li><li>C. A theory that is understood by city planners and has affected their traditional solutions to traffic congestion</li><li>D. A concept that can be mitigated by educating consumers about the potential effects</li></ul>
<p>2.</p> <p>In 2011, Jefferson Keel issued a statement regarding the Supreme Court's decision in <i>Carcieri v. Salazar</i>, which had undermined eligibility of all federally recognized tribes to have their tribal homelands restored through the Indian Reorganization Act (IRA) of 1934. The Court's ruling required tribes to prove that they were under the jurisdiction of the federal government in 1934 to be considered "Indians" under the initial definition in the IRA and thus qualify for federal benefits and protections. This resulted in tribes spending limited resources to establish their eligibility for trust land acquisitions. Keel predicted that "this decision will create two classes of Indian tribes," suggesting that _____</p>	<p>2. Which choice most logically completes the text?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A. None of the tribes would qualify for restoration funding with the Supreme Court's ruling.</li><li>B. Only the tribes that have the funding and resources to prove eligibility would benefit.</li><li>C. Most tribes would still be eligible for restoration funding, but those who do not qualify would lose all their assets.</li><li>D. The tribes that do not receive government funding will resent those that qualify, resulting in conflict.</li></ul>
<p>3.</p> <p>According to a report published by the Health Council of the Netherlands in 2002, if people _____ too much time sitting in front of screens, they may be at risk for a range of health problems, such as back pain, poor posture, and eye strain. Experts recommend taking regular breaks and engaging in physical activity to reduce these risks.</p>	<p>3. Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A. spend</li><li>B. spent</li><li>C. will spend</li><li>D. had spent</li></ul>

<p>4.</p> <p>In 1964, Terry Riley composed <i>In C</i>, a minimalist piece of music consisting of 53 short melodic phrases that can be played by any number of instruments. The musicians are instructed to move through the phrases at their own pace, repeating each phrase as many times as they _____ the music can last anywhere from twenty minutes to several hours.</p>	<p>4. Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?</p> <p>A. like, B. like and C. like D. like;</p>
<p>5.</p> <p>Giacomo Puccini, the renowned Italian composer of operas such as <i>La Bohème</i> and <i>Tosca</i>, is known for his ability to blend traditional Italian melodies with contemporary harmonies. His opera <i>Madama Butterfly</i>, which tells the story of a tragic love affair between an American naval officer and a young Japanese _____ a memorable aria called "<i>Un bel dì, vedremo</i>" that is often performed as a standalone piece.</p>	<p>5. Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?</p> <p>A. woman. Features B. woman features C. woman, features D. woman; features</p>
<p>6.</p> <p>Food critic Gael Greene provided a glowing review of a New York restaurant dishing up French cuisine, asserting that the taste and texture of the food on the plate _____ the head chef's skill and attention to detail.</p>	<p>6. Which choice completes the text so that it conforms to the conventions of Standard English?</p> <p>A. reflect B. reflects C. has reflected D. is reflecting</p>