

**Directions: The BOLD words are the answers. Make 1 copy of the answers, then select all and unbold answers. Then Print for student use. Also delete these directions.**

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<b>5<sup>th</sup> Grade DRP Practice Passage 1</b>		
<p>Alex loved to visit his Great Aunt Heidi because she had a library filled with books. The library's shelves held books on (____1____) subject. There were books on rocks and books on clocks. There were books (____2____) mountains and books on fountains. But the one thing that made Aunt Heidi's (____3____) really special was the library's elves.</p> <p>(____4____) elves are rare little creatures. Most people think they are extinct, but a few still exist. Many of them live (____5____) the books on the shelves of Aunt Heidi's library.</p> <p>Alex discovered the elves one blustery winter afternoon when he was (____6____) the shelves for a book about airplanes He'd climbed all the way to the top of the library ladder and (____7____) straining to reach a thick book, when suddenly he heard a voice. It (____8____) a warm and friendly voice.</p> <p>"Here (____9____) go," the voice said, and Alex felt the book he'd been reaching for pop into his hands. Alex tumbled off the ladder. He would have hit the (____10____) floor with a hard thud had it not been for the library elf's magic. The elf cast a magic spell that stopped him an inch from the (____11____) and then set him down gently.</p> <p>"(____12____)," Alex said to the little elf. "I owe you one."</p> <p>The elf peered down from his shelf at Alex. He wore a felt cap and a sweater (____13____) in several colors. "Yes, you do," the elf said. "I would like you (____14____) read that book to me."</p> <p>Alex looked at the book in his hands. (____15____) forgotten all about airplanes when the (____16____) first spoke to him.</p> <p>"Okay" Alex said. Then he sat down in a (____17____) chair in front of the fire and started to read. He read several (____18____) without looking up. When he finally (____19____) up, he saw a dozen library (____20____) sitting on the braided rug in front of him. All of the elves (____21____) listening intently.</p> <p>"Don't stop," they told (____22____). "Read, read, read."</p> <p>Alex read to (____23____) long into the night. He finished the book and looked up to find the library elves were gone. They had (____24____) as soon as he had read (____25____) last word on the last page.</p>	<p>1) a) read, b) once, c) <b>every</b></p> <p>2) a) <b>on</b>, b) in, c) you</p> <p>3) a) perfect, b) <b>library</b>, c) ladder</p> <p>4) a) Whenever b) Airplane, c) <b>Library</b></p> <p>5) a) <b>behind</b>, b) peaches, c) resolve</p> <p>6) a) republic, b) language, c) <b>searching</b></p> <p>7) a) were, b) <b>was</b>, c) on</p> <p>8) a) to, b) <b>was</b>, c) be</p> <p>9) a) <b>you</b>, b) it, c) for</p> <p>10) a) colors, b) <b>stone</b>, c) chair</p> <p>11) a) creature, b) dictate, c) <b>ground</b></p> <p>12) a) Timid, b) <b>Thanks</b>, c) You're</p> <p>13) a) tumbled, b) <b>knitted</b>, c) ladders</p>	<p>14) a) he, b) at, c) <b>to</b></p> <p>15) a) <b>He'd</b>, b) You, c) Top</p> <p>16) a) book, b) some, c) <b>elf</b></p> <p>17) a) reach, b) <b>cushy</b>, c) stone</p> <p>18) a) rocking, b) onetime, c) <b>chapters</b></p> <p>19) a) <b>looked</b>, b) thicker, c) friend</p> <p>20) a) books, b) <b>elves</b>, c) rocks</p> <p>21) a) was, b) but, c) <b>were</b></p> <p>22) a) <b>him</b>, b) his, c) new</p> <p>23) a) thick, b) <b>them</b>, c) his</p> <p>24) a) friendly, b) knuckle, c) <b>vanished</b></p> <p>25) a) for, b) <b>the</b>, c) was</p>

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