EXERCISE 40  NAME ________________________


PART 1

Select the preferred wording. Check with the AP Stylebook first. If you can't find the answer there, try a good dictionary. The answers are in the back of the book.

1. He was (arrested for, charged with) shoplifting.
2. She was (sentenced to, sentenced with) 10 years in a federal (prison, jail).
3. He was (convicted of, convicted with) petty theft.
4. She (suffered, received) injuries to the head and arms.
5. The car (collided with, crashed into) a (cement, concrete) wall.
6. She is an (alumnus, alumna, alumni) of Northern State University.
7. (Since, Because) he had the day off, he decided to watch the Rose Bowl game.
8. (Since, Because) his parents earned $60,000 a year, he could not apply for the scholarship.
9. His decision will (affect, impact on) wheat prices.
10. The play (centered on, centered around) man's need to be loved.
11. The university's (fiscal, physical) year ends in June.
12. The police officer (persuaded, convinced) the distraught man to drop the rock.
13. A good sales agent can (persuade, convince) the customer to buy all the extras.
14. The coach (convinced, persuaded) the university that athletes need special housing.
15. For (awhile, a while), the school board wanted to prohibit teachers (to speak, from speaking) about controversial issues.
16. The prime minister said his country was a (backward, backwards) nation that needed American (aid, aide) to survive.
17. The mayor is better-prepared (than, then) she was before.
18. Work was (underway, under way) on the new building when workers discovered the grave.
19. Some reporters read stories back to sources to (insure, ensure) the stories are accurate.

PART 2

Correct errors in modifier placement, parallelism, style, spelling and word usage. Some sentences may be correct.

20. Parents with incomes of more than $40,000 and who own their own homes cannot receive tuition rebates.

21. All Jackson wanted out of life was to play in the NFL and a red Porsche sports car.

22. People who go on fad diets frequently suffer muscle loss.

23. Despite the number of complaints, the company only promised to recall 100 cars.

24. The coach promised the alumni association he'd fill the stadium and a conference championship.
25. After praying for peace, the pope visited the hospital and talked to many wounded soldiers.

26. Based in Texas, the company is the nation's largest producer of salsa.

27. A native of Arizona, the new school superintendent promised to insure that every high school student received extensive training in computer science.