



Misplaced Modifiers and Verbal Phrase Danglers Quiz

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Directions: Identify and correct the problems with misplaced modifiers and verbal phrase danglers in the following sentences based on the information outlined in sections [7.4.1](#) and [7.4.2](#) of the [AMA Manual of Style](#). For further explanation of the correct answers, refer to the cited section of the online or print version of the [AMA Manual of Style](#).

1. Using a cutoff of 13.5 on the Advanced Dementia Prognostic Tool, which also had specificity of 0.89, the area under the receiver operating characteristic curve was 0.58 and the sensitivity was 0.27.

2. After performing tracheotomy, the patients were found to have a reduced incidence of pneumonia and an increased number of ventilator-free days.

3. On the basis of the preliminary results of their study, the tumors were classified into 3 different staging groups.

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4. After adjusting for characteristics of the experimental trials and the investigational agents, the odds of a patient dying from an experimental treatment while participating in a trial during the most recent 4-year period were less than one-tenth those of a patient participating in a trial during the first 4-year period.

5. Using retrospective medical record review, the patients were organized into groups based on age, sex, and ethnicity/race.

6. After deciding to perform hemodialysis, the patient was referred to a vascular surgeon for creation of a native arteriovenous (radiocephalic) fistula.

7. Using the original case as a springboard, the diagnosis, natural history, and treatment of herpes zoster and postherpetic neuralgia in immunocompetent older adults are reviewed.

8. Cardiopulmonary resuscitation only using chest compressions is an option in the management of sudden cardiac arrest when rescuers are unable to provide standard cardiopulmonary resuscitation that combines chest compressions with rescue breathing.

9. According to their response to corticosteroid therapy, the investigators divided the patients into 2 groups.

10. Of the 32 patients with AIDS, the investigators were able to follow up 30 through completion of the 2-year study.

