

Day 23

Verb Patterns Box

☆ Answer Choice TYPE D : “Verb Forms”

(f) : Verb Patterns (2) → 20 seconds

Step 1

First of all, check the four answer choices → If you see different forms of the same verb, the question typically asks about the “Verb Form”.

Step 2

If the answer choices include an –ing form or a to- infinitive, check the verb before the blank.

Verbs followed by Gerunds (–ing form): admit, avoid, consider, delay, deny, discuss, enjoy, finish, give up, mind, miss, practice, risk, suggest

Verbs followed by To-Infinitives: afford, agree, arrange, decide, expect, fail, hope, manage, mean, offer, plan, prepare, pretend, promise, refuse, wish

☆ Answer Choice TYPE E : “Comparatives” → 20 seconds

Step 1

First of all, check the question sentence → If you see such words as ‘than’ ‘as’ ‘more’ ‘most’ ‘less’, the question typically asks about the “Comparatives/ Superlatives”.

Step 2

• To compare two things (people) we use the comparative form (with *more* or *–er*), followed by *than*. When the comparison is between three or more things (people), we use the superlative form (with *most* or *–est*). The opposites of *more* and *most* are *less* and *least*.

• A is more expensive than B. = A is not as cheap as B.

• Quantity expressions before *as . . . as*

E.g. This boy is twice as tall as that girl. = That girl is half as tall as this boy.

This tower is three times as tall as that house.