Gina, [1] my best friend since elementary school, and I decided [2] to go to the mall after school yesterday. Gina suggested [3] taking the back way so that we could jog, but I was wearing sandals [4] instead of my track shoes, so we just walked. Along the way we saw Cathy [5] sitting on her front porch and asked her if she wanted [6] to join us. She was earning a little spending money by [7] baby-sitting her neighbor's children, though, and couldn't leave.

[8] Walking up to the wide glass doors at the mall, Gina and I looked in our purses. We both had a few dollars and our student passes, so we stopped [9] to get a glass of orange juice while we checked what movies were playing. None [10] of the four features looked interesting to us. However, Deven Bowers, [11] a friend from school and an usher at the theater, said that there would be a sneak preview [12] of a new adventure film later, and we told him we'd be back then.

Since stores usually do not allow customers to bring food or drinks inside, Gina and I gulped down our orange juice before [13] going into our favorite dress shop. We looked [14] through most of the sale racks, but none of the dresses, [15] all of them formal or evening gowns, appealed to us. A salesclerk asked if we were shopping [16] for something special. After [17] checking with Gina, I told the clerk we were just looking, and we left.

We walked past a couple of shops—[18] the health food store and a toy store—and went into Record World. [19] Seeing several cassettes by my favorite group, I picked out one. By the time we walked out of Record World, I'd spent all my money, so we never did get [20] to go to the movie that day.

Review: Posttest 2

Writing Sentences with Prepositional, Verbal, and Appositive Phrases

Write ten sentences, using one of the following phrases in each sentence. Follow the directions in parentheses.