AGCJ 404: Communication Agricultural Information to the Public
Word Choice Exercise

NAME: _______________________________________

Circle the correct word/phrase to complete each sentence correctly.

1. We produced a small (amount, number) of automobiles this year, even (fewer, less) than last year.

2. The serum had serious side (affects, effects).

3. Every 250 years, Pluto completes (its, it’s) orbit about the sun.

4. When a photon in that energy range strikes the atom, the atom (looses, loses) one of its outer electrons.

5. The talk centered (around, on) the (principal, principle) of virtual work.

6. This report discusses how the eruption (affected, effected) the surrounding terrain.

7. Last year, Japan (lead, led) the world in automobile sales.

8. We then sent the broken part to John Brooks, (who, whom) the laser group had recommended.

9. Reduced weight was the (principal, principle) reason for choosing aluminum.

10. Neither the engineers (nor, or) the technicians were hurt in the blaze.

11. All the bombings involved Semtex (that / , which) contains the chemicals PETN and RDX.

12. To treat a bite from the puff adder, select the anti-venom serum (, which counteracts the adder’s poison / that counteracts the adder’s poison.)

13. (Hopefully, / It is hoped that) the antibodies will destroy the cancer cells.

14. The insurance company hopes that neither the architect nor the construction firm (are held, is held) liable.

15. In the next section, the criteria for assessing each system (are given, is given).

16. To connect a temperature measurement circuit to the HC11 microcontroller, we added new hardware and developed new software. The added hardware controlled both the measurement and the display of the temperature. This hardware (included, includes) light emitting diodes that (attach, attached) to Port B. Figure 1 (showed, shows) a schematic of this hardware.

17. Conclusion. This report (has presented, presented, presents) a design of a temperature measurement circuit for the HC11 microcontroller.

18. According the Department of Energy, if we were to set up an area of solar cells equal to 0.25 the area currently covered by our roads, these cells could supply our entire (nations / nation’s / nations’) electrical needs.
19. With a rear-facing child seat, the top of the seat and the (infants / infant’s / infants’) head will be in the deployment zone of the air bag.

20. When you receive my (boss / bosses / boss’s / boss’ / bosses’) memo requesting your participation, please respond to her that your job description, as written, will not allow you to perform that type of work.

21. This section explains the function of each technique and describes (its / it’s / its’) advantages and disadvantages.

22. Since 1981, when the air traffic (controller’s / controllers’) strike occurred, the number of controllers decreased from 16,200 to 14,300 (Krasner, 1997).

23. During the past decade, our division has made (continuous, continual) improvements to the automobile’s exhaust system.

24. Using geothermal energy does not pollute the environment (as, like) the burning of fossil fuels does.

25. The new material is (composed, comprised) of plastic and iodine.

26. From the den, the male wolf ventured much (farther, further) than the female.

27. The truss had spans of 210 feet and was (more than, over) 20 feet deep.

28. The values of the transfer coefficients were lowered (because of, due to) outgassing.

29. The (enormity, enormousness) of the solar receiver’s tower surprised the visiting officials.

30. Compared (to, with) molten salt, liquid sodium is a much more dangerous heat transfer fluid.

31. The turbulence values of that report were different (from, than) the results of ours.

32. The new antidote made the patients feel (nauseated, nauseous).

33. Thank you for the job offer. I am (anxious, eager) to begin work next month.

34. The fourth design option was (rather unique, unique, very unique).

35. The Titanic was nearly 900 feet long, stood (25 / twenty-five stories) high, and weighed an incredible 46 thousand tons.

36. The Charpy test is run by holding the coupon against a steel backing and striking the coupon with a 67-pound pendulum on a (2-foot arm / two-foot arm).

37. (1522 people perished when the Titanic sank. / When the Titanic sank, 1522 people perished.)

38. The maximum amperage for each of the two devices is (3 A / three A).

39. In its day, the Titanic cost more than ($7.5 million / $7,500,000 / seven and one-half million dollars) to construct.

40. During that time the water temperature dropped (.6K / 0.6K / zero point six degrees Kelvin.)