Pronouns and Antecedents
With Cowboys...

Reading Level 3

Part One | Pronouns

Directions: Read each of the following sentences and determine which word is a pronoun based on your options. Circle your answer.

1. Buck Blindside lost his cowboy boots in the treacherous mud pits of Spirit Valley.
   a) Buck Blindside  b) in  c) his  d) cowboy

2. Duke Longarm and Drew Quickdraw met on the dusty street in front of the clock tower a minute before high noon for their duel.
   a) their  b) Duke Longarm and Drew Quickdraw  c) in front of  d) street

3. Sally Sidearm was the one who stuck up Reverend Long and his coterie of nuns on the way to the chapel.
   a) was  b) who  c) stuck up  d) Sally Sidearm

4. Sally Sidearm tried to spit into the spittoon nonchalantly but it landed on Deputy Dan's boot.
   a) Sally Sidearm  b) spit  c) into  d) it

5. As Sheriff Pete slowly reached for his pistol, Rootin' Tootin' Rob drew a chrome revolver from his holster and said, "You don't want to make that mistake."
   a) Rootin' Tootin' Rob  b) You  c) drew  d) don't

6. Deputy Dan casually nodded to the key ring on the table and asked Reverend Long, "Can you hand me that?"
   a) Deputy Dan  b) and  c) the  d) that
7. Buck Blindside used to be a lone wolf until he met Rootin' Tootin' Rob and formed the crime duo known as the Tornado Boys.
   a) wolf  b) lone wolf
c) he  d) until

8. Granny Annie felt that she couldn't catch a baseball with a mitt yet alone a dangerous criminal like Rootin' Tootin' Rob.
   a) she  b) mitt
c) catch  d) Granny Annie

9. Chief Bearpaw admired the wild horses as they galloped freely through the golden fields.
   a) fields  b) they
c) through  d) horses

10. "Fill up this here bag for me, darling," snarled Rootin' Tootin' Rob to the frightened bank teller.
    a) me  b) Rootin' Tootin' Rob
c) bank teller  d) to

11. Deputy Dan saw the wild horses galloping through the golden wheat fields and wanted to own one.
    a) horses  b) own
c) Deputy Dan  d) one

12. "This is ours now," said Buck Blindside as he snatched a pink purse from an elderly woman during the train car robbery.
    a) Buck Blindside  b) from
c) ours  d) purse

13. "Drop your guns now," bellowed a squinting Sheriff Pete to the startled members of the Tornado Boys.
    a) now  b) your
c) guns  d) Sheriff Pete

Part Two | Antecedents
Directions: Read each of the following sentences and determine which word is an antecedent. Circle your answer.

14. Chief Bearpaw prayed by himself at Spirit Cliff and overlooked the tribe's ancient lands.
    a) Chief Bearpaw  b) Spirit Cliff
c) prayed  d) tribe's lands
15. Sally Sidearm spun her pistol around on her finger before putting it back in her holster with one quick movement.

a) her  
b) Sally Sidearm  
c) spun  
d) pistol  

16. Rootin' Tootin' Rob thought that he forgot his gun in his other cowboy pants but he found it just in time for the shootout.

a) time  
b) forgot  
c) shootout  
d) gun  

17. Drew Quickdraw sauntered to the hoedown but was disappointed to find that no one was there.

a) Drew Quickdraw  
b) went  
c) hoedown  
d) to  

18. Sheriff Pete and Deputy Dan were worried that they would be late to the gunfight between Drew Quickdraw and Rootin' Tootin' Rob at the OK Corral.

a) gunfight  
b) late  
c) Drew Quickdraw and Rootin' Tootin' Rob  
d) Sheriff Pete and Deputy Dan  

19. Duke Longarm caught a no-good rustler trying to steal his horse from in front of the saloon so he shot him full of more holes than a slice of Swiss cheese.

a) rustler  
b) holes  
c) horse  
d) saloon  

20. Sheriff Pete and Deputy Dan quickly rode to the bakery and arrived by twilight but it was already closed.

a) Sheriff Pete and Deputy Dan  
b) bakery  
c) closed  
d) twilight  

21. Chief Bearpaw warned the cowboys that Cactus Valley would not be a safe place for them if the treaty were violated.

a) Chief Bearpaw  
b) place  
c) cowboys  
d) Cactus Valley  

22. Rootin' Tootin' Rob stormed into the courthouse and shot it up with that lowdown nogoodnik Buck Blindside.

a) Rootin' Tootin' Rob  
b) Buck Blindside  
c) stormed  
d) courthouse
23. Sheriff Pete was going to see that no-good varmint Rootin' Tootin' Rob hang by his skinny neck from the tallest tree in Tennessee.
   a) Rootin' Tootin' Rob  b) Sheriff Pete  
   c) crimes  d) hang

24. The roguish Sally Sidearm has an inhospitable bend and prefers to rob banks by herself.
   a) banks  b) herself  
   c) rob  d) Sally Sidearm

25. "Rootin' Tootin' Rob was the one who wanted to shoot up the courthouse," confessed Buck Blindside while under the vengeful gun of Sheriff Pete.
   a) Buck Blindside  b) Rootin' Tootin' Rob  
   c) court  d) Sheriff Pete

26. Duke Longarm thought that Rootin' Tootin' Rob had stolen the crown jewels from the First U.S. Bank but Sally Sidearm had them.
   a) Rootin' Tootin' Rob  b) Duke Longarm  
   c) Sally Sidearm  d) crown jewels

27. Even though Deputy Dan had the drop on Sally Sidearm, she got away anyway.
   a) Sally Sidearm  b) Deputy Dan  
   c) drop  d) away

28. Chief Bearpaw was the only tribesman with the distinct honor of wearing a headdress with eagle feathers in it.
   a) Chief Bearpaw  b) feathers  
   c) headdress  d) eagle

29. Sally Sidearm stared longingly at the shiny new rifles in the window of the general store and exclaimed, "Golly gee, I want one of those!"
   a) window  b) rifles  
   c) Golly gee  d) stared

30. Deputy Dan saw the prairie dogs poking their silly little heads out of the high hills and wondered if he could hit one.
   a) hills  b) if  
   c) prairie dogs  d) wondered