

Combining by Inserting Phrases

DIRECTIONS Revise each of the following sets of sentences to create one sentence. There may be more than one way to combine the sentences.

- In numbers 1 through 5, the words you need to insert are italicized.
- In numbers 6 through 10, change the forms of words or omit words as indicated in parentheses, and add commas where they are needed.
- Make all changes on the worksheet.

EXAMPLE

You can learn about the origins of many everyday items. ~~*You can learn about this*~~ *by doing research.*

1. Karen received a piggy bank as a birthday present. She got it from her older sister.

2. Karen was curious. She was curious about the origin of piggy banks.

3. She wondered why the money container wasn't named after the squirrel. The squirrel is known for saving food.

4. Karen found a book about the origins of common objects. She was looking in the library.

5. In the Middle Ages, many people kept their savings in their houses. They kept the money in small jars.

6. These jars were made of pygg. Pygg was a cheap and widely used clay. (Omit Pygg was.)

7. People called them pygg jars. The jars later became known as pig banks. (Omit The jars and became.)

8. English potters started making banks in the shape of pigs. This was during the eighteenth century. (Omit This was.)

9. Today's piggy banks come in all shapes, colors, and styles. They are made of clay as well as other materials. (Omit They are.)

10. Karen read the rest of the book. She was fascinated by the origins of other objects. (Omit She was.)

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Answer Key

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Answers will vary. These are sample answers.

1. Karen received a piggy bank from her older sister as a birthday present.
2. Karen was curious about the origin of piggy banks.
3. She wondered why the money container wasn't named after the squirrel, known for saving food.
4. Looking in the library, Karen found a book about the origins of common objects.
5. In the Middle Ages, people saved their savings in small jars in their houses.
6. These jars were made of pygg, a cheap and widely used clay.
7. People called them pygg jars, later known as pig banks.
8. English potters started making banks in the shape of pigs during the eighteenth century.
9. Today's piggy banks, made of clay as well as other materials, come in all shapes, colors, and styles.
10. Fascinated by the origins of other objects, Karen read the rest of the book.