

Combining by Inserting Words

DIRECTIONS Combine each set of the following sentences. Some words have been italicized to help you.

- Insert the italicized word (or words) into the first sentence.
- The directions in parentheses tell you when a word form should be changed.
- Make all changes on the worksheet, using a caret (^) to insert words.

EXAMPLE	<p>night</p> <p>On June, 1908, there was a mysterious explosion in ^ the sky over northern Russia. It happened at night.</p>
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1. An object exploded above Earth. The object was mysterious. (Change An to A.)

2. People as far as five hundred miles away heard a sound. It was like thunder. (Add -ing to thunder.)

3. The night skies in Europe were so bright that people could take photographs without a flash. This was in northern Europe.

4. Eyewitnesses saw colors that looked like a rainbow. They were startled.

5. A Russian scientist finally reached the site in 1927. The site was in a remote area.

6. The scientist, Leonid Kulik, searched for evidence that would explain what had caused the devastation in the area. He was unsuccessful. (Add -ly to unsuccessful.)

7. Kulik found an area of fallen trees, all pointing away from a spot. The spot was at the center of the area. (Change center to central.)

8. There were upright trees at the spot itself. The trees were burned.

9. For twelve miles around the spot, the trees pointed away from the center. The trees were uprooted.

10. Today, scientists think it is likely that a meteor exploded six miles above the area. It was a giant meteor.

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Answer Key

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Answers will vary. These are sample answers.

1. A mysterious object exploded above Earth.
2. People as far as five hundred miles away heard a thundering sound.
3. The night skies in northern Europe were so bright that people could take photographs without a flash.
4. Startled eyewitnesses saw colors that looked like a rainbow.
5. A Russian scientist finally reached the remote site in 1927.
6. The scientist, Leonid Kulik, searched unsuccessfully for evidence that would explain what had caused the devastation in the area.
7. Kulik found an area of fallen trees, all pointing away from a central spot.
8. There were burned, upright trees at the spot itself.
9. For twelve miles around the spot, the uprooted trees pointed away from the center.
10. Today, scientists think it is likely that a giant meteor exploded six miles above the area.