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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	hilarious The comedian performed some ^ stand-up. The stand-up was hilarious.
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1. An article exposed the homelessness crisis. The article was shocking.
(Change An to A.)

2. People saw the forest fire. They were as far as twenty miles away.

3. The school decided to extend the school day by twenty minutes. This was at a high school.

4. The puppy ran up to its new owner. It was excited.

5. Construction workers demolished the site. The site was abandoned.

6. The botanist searched for the rare flower. He was successful. (Add -ly to successful.)

7. Marnie carved a jack-o-lantern with a face to decorate for Halloween. The face was friendly.

8. She saw lots of paper on the floor. The paper was crumpled.

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9. The athletes trained six days a week to prepare for the tournament. The athletes were determined.

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10. Students were thrilled to read a graphic novel in class. It was a bestseller. (Changer -er to -ing)
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Answer Keys:

(Answers will vary. These are sample answers.)

1. A shocking article exposed the homelessness crisis.
2. People as far as five twenty miles away saw the forest fire.
3. The high school decided to extend the school day by twenty minutes.
4. The excited puppy ran up to its new owner.
5. Construction workers demolished the abandoned site.
6. The botanist successfully searched for the rare flower.
7. Marnie carved a jack-o-lantern with a friendly face to decorate for Halloween.
8. She saw lots of crumpled paper on the floor.
9. The determined athletes trained six days a week to prepare for the tournament.
10. Students were thrilled to read a bestselling graphic novel in class.