Anita, as well as twenty other students, is beginning kindergarten today. She is nervous, her family has just moved to Dallas, Texas from Guatemala. None of her friends from back home is going to be at her school. “Don’t worry, mi corazon,” her mother tells her, “I promise, you will have a wonderful time.” With her backpack, lunchbox and her jacket in tow, she feels badly to leave her sister who is even younger than her. After worrying for so long, her bus arrives. Her stomach is in knots, however; she climbs the steps and takes a seat.
High school students graduation requirements will change next year but school districts are waiting for more clearly-defined direction before finalizing curriculum plans. The House approved HB 5 in 2013 giving high school students more flexibility in their career paths. In fall 2014 students will be able to choose the basic foundation program, with a 22-credit program, the foundation plan with endorsements (the best bet for those who are not going to college); and the distinguished plan. Without more details the state Board must take a wait and see approach until they hear more.
Because at its December 10 meeting (21) the commissioners court (22) of Chartwell County discussed:
approval of (23) the annual report from the Office of the Constable, cancelling a subdivision plat and accepting (24) the plan to renovate the old hospital building as part of a two to three year plan (25) to develop a county historical museum. Road and bridge supervisor, Herman Effinger, Jr., (26) stated that neither the commissioners nor Mayor Lee are qualified (27) to manage his department (28). According to Mr. Effinger, people, who (29) do not even drive their own cars, because(30) they have chauffeurs should not be telling him how to manage the roadways.
A friend recently asked me exactly what Kickstarter is and (31) after I explained it as best I could he remarked (32) “So it’s like PBS—if I (33) give the organization $50, they give me a tote bag.” (34) This is a good analogy: after choosing (35) a project you would like to back, you and a friend selects (36) the level of funding. Each person who donates receive (37) a gift. When we tried it, my husband was more ambitious than me so (38) my project required fewer backers, which suited (39) me fine. However, exceptions exist. A charity, as well as tobacco or alcohol is not fundable. (40)

31. A. No Change  
   B. “kickstarter” is, and  
   C. Kickstarter is, and  
   D. “Kickstarter” is and

32. A. No Change  
   B. could, he remarked,  
   C. could he remarked,  
   D. could, he remarked

33. A. No Change  
   B. its like PBS—if I  
   C. it’s like PBS, if I  
   D. its like PBS, if I

34. A. No Change  
   B. $50, they give me a tote bag”.  
   C. $50, it gives me a tote bag”.  
   D. $50, it gives me a tote bag.”

35. A. No Change  
   B. analogy, after choosing  
   C. analogy, after you chose  
   D. analogy; after you chose

36. A. No Change  
   B. back you and a friend selects  
   C. back you and a friend select  
   D. back, you and a friend select

37. A. No Change  
   B. who donates receives  
   C. whom donates receives  
   D. whom donates receive

38. A. No Change  
   B. then me so  
   C. than I, so  
   D. then I so

39. A. No Change  
   B. less backers; which suited  
   C. less backers, which suited  
   D. fewer backers which suited

40. A. No Change  
   B. tobacco or alcohol is not fundable  
   C. tobacco or alcohol, is not fundable  
   D. tobacco, or alcohol, are not fundable
Though her success story may seem like a fairytail Susie (41) Queue has seen more than her share of trauma, and frighteningly self-destructive (42) behavior in her twenty-five years’ as an actress. (43) “There's no reason I should be so successful,” Queue says. (44) “If I am honest—and we should all be honest, I (45) owe much of my good fortune to others talents (46) not my own”! (47) Speaking of Queue’s good fortune (48) her beagle Penny (49) recently won first place at the recently held (50) Westminster dog show.
1. A  
2. C  
3. C  
4. A  
5. B  
6. C  
7. B  
8. D  
9. B  
10. C  
11. D  
12. D  
13. B  
14. B  
15. A  
16. C  
17. D  
18. A  
19. C  
20. B  
21. D  
22. D  
23. B  
24. A  
25. C  
26. A  
27. B  
28. C  
29. D  
30. E  
31. C  
32. B  
33. A  
34. D  
35. A  
36. D  
37. B  
38. C  
39. A  
40. C  
41. D  
42. D  
43. B  
44. A  
45. B  
46. C  
47. D  
48. C  
49. B  
50. A

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