

Name _____ Date _____

Word Choice – Exercise 9: *Whose* and *Who's*

This handout accompanies Exercise 9 of **Grammar Bytes!** Get the answers by doing the interactive version of the exercise at this address: <http://chompchomp.com/exercises.htm>

Directions: Fill in the blanks with the appropriate choice—*whose* or *who's*.

1. If you want to identify that ugly bug in your hair, ask Claudia, _____ collection of beetles covers every inch of her bedroom walls.
2. The biggest entertainment at the picnic was Louis, _____ ability to eat an entire hotdog in one mouthful amazed everyone who watched him demonstrate this feat fifteen times.
3. In the computer lab sits Veronica, _____ furiously typing as she attempts to meet Dr. William's nonnegotiable deadline for the research paper.
4. _____ going to bait Jerry's hook and gut his fish if you invite your squeamish brother to come fishing with us?
5. Before you buy a pit bull or rottweiler puppy, talk to Thomas, _____ attack hamster will bite the fingers of any hand that enters its cage.
6. As Mom stood in front of the frozen vegetables, she thought of Lorraine, _____ loathing of lima beans would mean a dinner's worth of complaints if Mom chose them for dinner.
7. Pirouetting by the cash register is Celina, _____ as comfortable dancing in line at the cafeteria as she is the in ballet studio.
8. We all turned to stare at Brenda, _____ wacky hairstyle included feathers, ribbons, and macaroni braided into her hair.
9. Clive sat behind Julie, _____ long, curly, red hair dripped down her white shoulders like strawberry syrup over vanilla ice cream.
10. Tanya, _____ praying no one requests the last slice of cheese pizza, waited in the long cafeteria line.
11. Professor Byrnes sighed with impatience after he called on Kevin, _____ lack of preparation always holds up the rest of the enthusiastic class.
12. Jackie bought a half dozen tennis balls for her golden retriever Oliver, _____ bad habit of chewing off the fuzzy skins is expensive.
13. Francisco steeled himself for a 50-minute class with his theatrical math teacher, _____ jerky hand movements cause students in the front row to cringe like beaten dogs.
14. Jerrod, _____ ashamed that he ate the last doughnut, is discreetly wiping strawberry jelly from the corner of his mouth.
15. Latoya chuckled as she watched her little brother Reggie, _____ little finger waved in the air as he attempted sophistication while drinking hot tea.

16. Our dog Cooper, _____ waiting politely under the table, expects a meatball from **everyone** before dinner is over.
17. _____ fungus-covered chicken salad sandwich is polluting the refrigerator in the lounge?
18. Mrs. Currall returned the A+ essay to Andre, _____ smile flashed despite his usual surly attitude in class.
19. Even though the lecture had begun, we knew we could soon expect Sasha, _____ always hitting the snooze button on the alarm instead of getting out of bed to be on time.
20. _____ going to drive Raymond to the park? He spilled a chocolate milkshake on my leather upholstery last week, so he cannot ride with me.



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