

Blind Review Technique for ACT Prep

Example Question: Yet only one definition of the term truly lives up to its name: the Ironman Triathlon held annually in Hawaii a picturesque setting for a challenging race.

- A. NO CHANGE
- B. Hawaii,
- C. Hawaii, being
- D. Hawaii, it is

Step #1: Pick out 1, 4, or 8 questions to complete (or an entire section), depending on how you wish to prepare.

Step #2: Complete question(s).

Step #3: Take a breath.

REMEMBER: DO NOT look at answers. This is the most essential part.

Step #4: On your paper, write out something like the following...

- **Question Type:** comma usage
- **Correct Answer:** B
- **A: Incorrect** – there is no comma after *Hawaii*, yet there needs to be
- **B: Correct** – the comma separates *Hawaii* from the description of Hawaii
- **C: Incorrect** – the word *being* doesn't need to be there. It is overly wordy,
- **D: Incorrect** – same as "C." Also, this would put a comma to separate two different clauses when there should be a period to separate those clauses.

Step #5: Take another breath

Step #6: Check correct answers. Do so one at a time.

Step #7: Did you get the correct answer? If so, continue on to the next. If not, analyze why your *reasoning* is wrong. Correct your notes.

Properly "blind reviewing" a question could take anywhere from 5 minutes to 20+ minutes in order to truly understand the question. However, this entails that you probably won't make the same mistake again.