

Neil Young questions

Read the sentences below. Rearrange the words in each sentence so that they are in the correct order (leave the ; and the , as is, don't change them). Some sentences are taken directly from the story, others are from the story but have been adapted slightly.

The first two have been done for you as an example.

1. have careers had many long storied music has The industry who musicians
The music industry has many storied musicians who have had long careers **adapted from original sentence
There are many storied musicians who have had long careers in the music industry **original sentence from the story
2. the bandmate became a sweater when he nicknamed him later He was Sting wearing black after yellow and striped
He later became Sting when a bandmate nicknamed him after the black and yellow striped sweater he was wearing
**original sentence, not changed or adapted
3. A given name strongly addressed him who was his musician by the rebuked journalist
A journalist who addressed him by his given name was strongly rebuked by the musician
4. in concerts passion drove music whenever His possible to take him for
His passion for music drove him to take in concerts whenever possible
5. graduating followed returning before a succession with a degree of jobs to This university and was teaching
This was followed by a succession of jobs before returning to university and graduating with a teaching degree
6. a distinguished two years in Cramlington the next teaching He spent at school
He spent the next two years teaching at a distinguished school in Cramlington
7. containing another band The albums quickly hit with a series of one song after fame rose to
The band quickly rose to fame with a series of albums containing one hit song after another
8. apparent political concerns and other songs were written and became his Sting, by The very
The songs were written by Sting, and his political and other concerns became very apparent
9. a potentially last situation discussed the controversial of The three
The last of the three discussed a potentially controversial situation
10. The solo various support occasionally pursued important causes reuniting in careers, of members band's
The band's members pursued solo careers, occasionally reuniting in support of various important causes
11. with his stardom His Police work had The established already
His work with The Police had already established his stardom
12. reggae roll, influences diverse classical pop, rock 'n jazz, and His musical have been as as
His musical influences have been as diverse as pop, jazz, rock 'n roll, reggae and classical
13. Some of his footsteps; all have children well followed his have done in
Some of his children have followed in his footsteps; all have done well
14. a disciplined Sting is a chess athlete, a yoga aficionado and also practitioner
Sting is also a disciplined athlete, a yoga practitioner and a chess aficionado
15. challenged friends of Sting and Gary Kasparov once a handful to exhibition legend chess games
Sting and a handful of friends once challenged chess legend Gary Kasparov to exhibition games

***If you find this exercise difficult, a good strategy is to find sentences in the story that have the same or nearly the same words. When the sentences here and in the story have exactly the same words, compare them and look at the word order. Practice writing the words in the correct order three times.*

If the sentences have nearly the same words but some words are different, read the sentence in the story. Think about its meaning. Then think about how you can organize the words here to have the same meaning.