Exercise 16

A. Scanning:
1. What is the last word of the first paragraph?
2. On which line does a color appear?
3. On which three lines do numbers appear written out as words?
4. How many times does the word “butterfly” appear in the second paragraph of this timed reading?
5. In which paragraph does the word “butterfly” not appear?

B. Locating Information:
1. What specific part of the butterfly’s body is described in the first paragraph?
2. According to the information in the second paragraph, are there 10,000 kinds of butterflies or 10,000 kinds of monarch butterflies in North America?
3. According to the timed writing, what happens four times in the life of a caterpillar as it matures into a butterfly?
4. How are Monarch butterflies unlike most other types of insects?
5. The final paragraph mentions 3 of the 4 seasons. Which season is not mentioned?

C. Grammar:
1. What are the first and last verbs in this reading passage?
2. Which paragraph contains the most examples of future tense?
3. Which paragraph contains the fewest “to be” verbs?
4. Is it grammatically correct to change the word “its” in line 8 to “it’s?” Why or why not?
5. Would it be grammatically correct to change the word “each” in line 10 to the word “all?”

D. Vocabulary:
1. Find a synonym for the word “narrow” in the first paragraph.
2. Find a word in the first paragraph that means “a set of two things.”
3. Find a word in the second paragraph that means “a category or type of plant or animal.”
4. Find a word in the second paragraph that means “to grow or get older.”
5. Find a word that refers to when an egg opens up.
6. Find a word that in the second paragraph that means “without wings.”
7. Find a word that in the second paragraph that means “a baby butterfly.”
8. Find a word in the third paragraph that means “to travel long distances.”
9. Find the phrase in the third paragraph that means “not many.”
10. What is the difference between the word “leaves” on line 6 and the word “leave” on line 10?