Sample questions are shown below for the Sentence Skills ACCUPLACER test. Keep in mind that these sample questions are not meant to be a study guide, but are designed to give you a general idea of the types of questions you will find on the IVCC Placement test.

SENTENCE SKILLS - SENTENCE CORRECTION

**Question 1**
Select the best version of the bold part of the sentence. The first choice is the same as the original sentence. If you think the original sentence is best, choose the first answer.

She hoped to find a new job. **One that** would let her earn money during the school year

A. job. **One that**
B. job. **The kind that**
C. job, **one that**
D. job, **so that it**

**Question 2**
Select the best version of the bold part of the sentence. The first choice is the same as the original sentence. If you think the original sentence is best, choose the first answer.

**To walk, biking, and driving** are Pat's favorite ways of getting around.

A. **To walk, biking, and driving**
B. Walking, biking, and driving
C. **To walk, biking, and to drive**
D. **To walk, to bike, and also driving**

**Question 3**
Select the best version of the bold part of the sentence. The first choice is the same as the original sentence. If you think the original sentence is best, choose the first answer.

**Knocked sideways,** the statue looked as if it would fall.

A. **Knocked sideways,** the statue looked
B. **The statue was knocked sideways,** looked
C. **The statue looked knocked sideways**
D. **The statue, looking knocked sideways,**

SENTENCE SKILLS - CONSTRUCTION SHIFT

**Question 4**
Rewrite the sentence in your head, following the directions given below. Keep in mind that your new sentence should be well written and should have essentially the same meaning as the sentence given you.

Excited children ran toward the loud music, and they told others about the ice cream truck outside.

Rewrite, beginning with
"The excited children, who had run toward the loud..."
The next words will be
Question 5
Rewrite the sentence in your head, following the directions given below. Keep in mind that your new sentence should be well written and should have essentially the same meaning as the sentence given you.

It is easy to carry solid objects without spilling them but the same cannot be said of liquids.

Rewrite, beginning with
Unlike liquids, ……

The next words will be
A. it is easy to
B. we can easily
C. solid objects can easily be
D. solid objects are easy to be

Question 6
Rewrite the sentence in your head, following the directions given below. Keep in mind that your new sentence should be well written and should have essentially the same meaning as the sentence given you.

Chris heard no unusual noises when he listened in the park.

Rewrite, beginning with
Listening in the park,……

The next words will be
A. no unusual noises could be heard
B. then Chris heard no unusual noises
C. and hearing no unusual noises
D. Chris heard no unusual noises

Sentence Skills - Answers
1. C. job, one that
2. B. Walking, biking, and driving
3. A. Knocked sideways, the statue looked
4. B. music told
5. C. solid objects can easily be
6. D. Chris heard no unusual noises