**Faulty Parallelism Worksheet**

There are five parallelism mistakes in each of the following passages. Identify the faulty sentences and rewrite them correctly.

Passage A

For the 10 percent of the American population that is left-handed, life is not easy. Using a pair of scissors or to write in a spiral notebook can be very difficult. The scissors and the notebook are two items designed for right-handers. Also, have you ever seen a “southpaw” take notes or writing an exam at one of those right-handed half-desks? The poor “lefty” has to twist like a yoga devotee or in the style of a circus acrobat in order to reach the paper. But a recent study proves that being left-handed can be psychologically damaging as well as tax a person physically. A survey of 2,300 people showed that 20 percent more left-handers than right-handers smoked. Could lefties smoke to relieve the tension or forgetting the problems of living in a right-handed world?

Passage B  
 Some people today are “survivalists.” These people, because they fear some great disaster in the near future (like economic collapse or nuclear war), are preparing for a catastrophe. Hoarding food, stockpiling weapons, and the achievement of self-sufficiency are some of the activities of survivalists. In Arkansas, for example, one group has built a mountain fortress to defend its supplies and staying safe. Arkansas, the group feels, is the best place to be for several reasons: it is an unlikely target for nuclear attack; it offers plentiful supplies of food and water; a good climate. Some Americans feel that the attitude of survivalists is selfish and greed. These people say that such a philosophy turns society into a “dog-eat-dog” race for life. Other people believe that after a nuclear war, the world—with radiation and where there would be disease—wouldn’t be worth living in.