Parallelism!

Name Key

Date _____ Hr. _____

Directions: Each sentence below lacks parallelism.

1. Correct each sentence by crossing off the word(s) that is not balanced and rewriting the correct form of that word(s) above the sentence.
2. Record the *correction* in the puzzle boxes.
3. If a sentence only requires you to cut out some words to achieve parallelism and not *add* any, record the word "delete" in the puzzle boxes.
4. Solve for the SECRET MESSAGE

1. get (6)
2. lifting (15, 22)
3. to help (27; 30, 10)
4. DELETE (17)
5. reclusive (25, 5)
6. to listen (7, 32)
7. reading (24, 31, 37, 8)
8. to lie (21)
9. showing (19)
10. bearded (28, 34, 11)
11. spending the day (38, 42; 13, 44)
12. running (39, 9)
13. carpeted floors (33, 29, 16; 41, 20)
14. risky (1)
15. preparing (12, 40, 36)
16. write (3)
17. hard work (35; 4)
18. watching (2)
19. low prices (14; 23)
20. to act (43; 26)
21. enriches (18)

1. An actor knows how to memorize his lines and ~~getting~~ into character.
2. Clark's daily exercises include running, swimming, and ~~to lift~~ weights.
3. To donate money to the homeless shelter is ~~helping~~ people stay warm in the winter.
4. We followed the path through the forest, over the hill, and ~~we went~~ across the river.
5. The writer was brilliant but ~~a recluse~~.
6. She told Jake to take out the trash, to mow the lawn, and ~~be listening~~ to listen for the phone call.
7. Marcie studied for the test by reviewing her class notes and ~~she read~~ her textbook.
8. It is easier to tell the truth than ~~lying~~ to people you love.
9. Jim wanted to scare us by telling us a ghost story and ~~he showed~~ us a horror movie.
10. The witness described the suspect as tall, light-skinned, and ~~with a beard~~.
11. Spending the day with you is better than ~~if we were~~ apart.
12. Brian disliked not only playing baseball but also ~~to run~~ long distances.
13. John's new house has a large porch, an eat-in kitchen, and ~~the floors are carpeted~~.
14. This plan is creative but ~~a risk~~.
15. Managing your money well is ~~to be prepared~~ for the future.
16. The kindergartners are learning to read and ~~writing~~.
17. Doug taught his children the importance of knowledge, virtue, and ~~working hard~~.
18. Studying for the big exam is more important than ~~if I watch~~ that movie.
19. The restaurant has a large menu, delicious spaghetti, and the ~~prices are low~~.
20. To save gasoline is ~~acting~~ responsibly about the environment.
21. Hiking stresses your body but ~~is enriching for~~ your health.

Now solve for the SECRET MESSAGE!

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