INSTRUCTIONS

When you are ready to begin, please read the passage written on the following page. Read the passage at your normal reading speed, and with a pen or pencil circle each instance of the letter t. If you should realize that you missed a letter t, you should not retrace your step. You are not expected to get every letter t, so you should not slow down your reading speed in order to be overcautious about getting the t letters. When you finish the passage on the next page, go right on to the third page, and again, while reading at your normal reading speed, circle each instance of the letter group t.
“Friday on saw I jug earthenware the buy and go rather I’d and,

atheism medieval of theory the on thesis my begun hardly I’ve,” sunbathers
the of one was who, Alice mumbled, “bother.” Horizon the on gathering
began clouds and ethereal became air the, lengthened shadows as. Manner
fatherly in a scene the surveyed zoo the in panthers. Anesthesia and
psychotherapy of problems other discussed mothers their while, lake the of
shore southern the near bathed clothes no wearing children. Rays thermal
sun’s the under leathery became and withered park the in flowers even.

Amazing was weather the week all.
All week the weather was amazing. Even flowers in the park withered and became leathery under the sun’s thermal rays. Children wearing no clothes bathed near the southern shore of the lake, while their mothers discussed other problems of psychotherapy and anesthesia. Panthers in the zoo surveyed the scene in a fatherly manner. As shadows lengthened, the air became ethereal and clouds began gathering on the horizon. “Bother,” mumbled Alice, who was one of the sunbathers, “I’ve hardly begun my thesis on the theory of medieval atheism, and I’d rather go and buy the earthenware jug I saw on Friday.”
Scoring instructions:

There are two passages – a prose passage and a scrambled passage. Each is 100 words long and contains 12 instances of the word the and 24 instances of a word that includes the letter string the. There are 64 filler words, none of which contains the letter t. The scrambled passage was derived from the prose passage such that every instance of the or a word containing the is in the same location as the prose passage and the punctuation marks are the same. The 64 filler words were randomly placed with the constraint that for the 12 instances of the, 6 were followed by nouns (appropriate context) and 6 were followed by other parts of speech (inappropriate context).

Complete the following table:

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1. How many instances of “t” did you find? There are 36 possible, so the number of errors is how many of 36 you missed.

2. How many instances of “t” did you find in “the” words? There are 12 possible, so the number of errors is how many of the 12 you missed.

There are six values to enter (the yellow cells of the table).