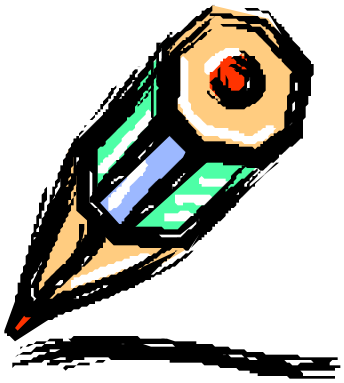
Faulty Parallelism

Correct the parallelism in the following sentences:

1. The committee studied all aspects of the problem—humane, political, and cost.
2. The annual report revealed a growth in production but that sales had dropped.
3. To gain entrance, they tried both persuasion and to force their way in.
4. The new clerk proved himself to be not only capable but also a man who could be trusted.
5. The weather was a greater handicap to the invading army than their enemy.
6. The music was written by a German, but an American did this arrangement.
7. Come to the meeting prepared to take notes and with some questions to ask.
8. Passing the oral test is usually more difficult than to pass the written test.
9. The politicians not only were convinced that their program was sound but popular.
10. Our cabinetmaker did a better job on our furniture than theirs.
11. Tell me where you have been and an account of your activities there.
12. He regarded all natives as sly, ignorant, and not to be depended on.
13. The audience neither understood the speaker's words nor what his purpose was.
14. Mud wasps had not only hung their cones under the porch but also the eaves.
15. The new models will be expensive to buy, but their cost of operation will be low.
16. Little children are more trouble in the boat than the beach.
17. Statistics prove that prices this year are lower than last year.
18. Cats can catch rabbits as easily as dogs.
19. My experience was not half so exciting as the people who didn't get home until dawn.



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20. One of the victims suffered a broken arm, several broken ribs, and one of his lungs was punctured.
21. He not only was industrious but he could be depended on.
22. As we left the harbor, the weather report predicted gale-force winds, heavy rain, and that tides would be abnormally high.
23. A cloudy day is better for a game than sunshine.
24. The skipper had a harsh voice, a weather-beaten face, and was very stocky in build.
25. The speech of cultivated Englishmen is not so different as it used to be from Americans.
26. The parents complained that schools need more teachers, larger classrooms, and there isn't enough new equipment.
27. This was a much harder assignment for me than Betty.
28. The ambassador did not know whether the President had sent for him or the Secretary of State.
29. His friends not only were shocked by his words but they felt a great disappointment.
30. The players were annoyed not so much by the decisions of the officials as the hostile crowd.
31. Pioneers came with hopes of being happy and free and to make their fortunes in the New World.
32. All students on the field trip were told that on their return they would both have to make a written and oral report.
33. I told him politely that I could not go and I had reasons.

34. The children are neither too old nor are they too young to enjoy the story of Aladdin.
35. I hope either to spend my vacation in Mexico or Cuba.
36. She knew not only what to say, but also she knew when to say it.
37. I would prefer to play basketball than going fishing.
38. My father always has and always will watch the bowl games on New Year's Day.