Engage with first-year students, using Scripture as a model of English punctuation

Mechanics include direct quotations and marks of punctuation (colon, parentheses, dash, question mark, & exclamation point)

Matthew 27:11-23

11 Meanwhile Jesus stood before the governor, and the governor asked him, “Are you the king of the Jews?”

“You have said so,” Jesus replied.

12 When he was accused by the chief priests and the elders, he gave no answer. Then Pilate asked him, “Don’t you hear the testimony they are bringing against you?” 14 But Jesus made no reply, not even to a single charge—to the great amazement of the governor.
15 Now it was the governor’s custom at the festival to release a prisoner chosen by the crowd. 16 At that time they had a well-known prisoner whose name was Jesus Barabbas. 17 So when the crowd had gathered, Pilate asked them, “Which one do you want me to release to you: Jesus Barabbas, or Jesus who is called the Messiah?” 18 For he knew it was out of self-interest that they had handed Jesus over to him.

19 While Pilate was sitting on the judge’s seat, his wife sent him this message: “Don’t have anything to do with that innocent man, for I have suffered a great deal today in a dream because of him.”

20 But the chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowd to ask for Barabbas and to have Jesus executed.

21 “Which of the two do you want me to release to you?” asked the governor. “Barabbas,” they answered.
“What shall I do, then, with Jesus who is called the Messiah?” Pilate asked.

They all answered, “Crucify him!”

“Why? What crime has he committed?” asked Pilate.

But they shouted all the louder, “Crucify him!”
Preparing for the final exam through self-review

“Learner-centered teachers institute changes that make students more responsible for learning”—Maryellen Weimer, 2013, p. 11.

“Power sharing creates a more positive and constructive classroom environment. . . . It’s a pleasure to work with students who are less passive, more interested, and willing to work!”—Weimer, 2013, p. 97
Final exam review session:

Students will prepare five (5) multiple choice and/or true-false questions that could be used on the final exam
51. That Gucci belt is my ________________.
   a) dads
   b) dad’s
   c) dads’
   d) dad

52. Adverbs do not modify ________________.
   a) Verbs
   b) Adjectives
   c) Adverbs
   d) Pronouns
53. Which of the following completes an exclamatory sentence?
   a. Period
   b. Colon
   c. Exclamation point
   d. Comma

54. Adelyn _______ the way throughout the entire race yesterday.
   a. lead
   b. led
   c. leads
   d. had lead

55. The athletes did not perform _______ earlier today.
   a. good
   b. well