

YEAR
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LANGUAGE CONVENTIONS



SESSION 1

45 min

Time available for students to
complete test: 45 minutes

Use 2B or HB
pencil **only**



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The spelling mistakes in these sentences have been circled.
Write the correct spelling for each circled word in the box.

1 He ate a cruntchy carrot.

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2 The shop was offerring free gift-wrapping.

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3 The man wore a watch on his rist.

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4 Our cat wears a coller with a bell.

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5 Wombats live underground in burros.

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6 I took the card out of the enverlope.

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7 The rain made the campers misrable.

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8 His toe became swolen after he kicked it.

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9 The outdoor light attrax many bugs when it is left on.

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10 The army made the new recroots complete an obstacle course.

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11 The library has a rack of broshures about many subjects. 11

12 Mum sighed with impatients. 12

13 A lioness fearcely guards her cubs. 13

**There is one spelling mistake in each sentence.
Write the correct spelling of the word in the box.**

14 We had to detoor through back streets because the highway was being repaired. 14

15 The graphick designer is responsible for the layout of the magazine. 15

16 Maps have simbols to show vegetation and other significant features. 16

17 The artist skeched the outline of the picture. 17

18 A steep footpath provided the only acess to the remote cottage. 18

19 The passangers on the bus were irritated by the loud conversation. 19

20 The futureistic cars used innovative concepts and materials. 20

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21 I recently enrolled my naughty dog in obedience school. 21

22 The marathon runner was determined to complete the challenging race. 22

23 There are penalties for motorists caught exceeding the speed limit. 23

24 The cyclists were sponsored to raise money for deserving charities. 24

25 The actor used exaggerated gestures to portray his emotions. 25

26 The receptionist impressed clients with his businesslike manner and hospitality. 26

27 The nursery only stocks plants that are tolerant of desert conditions. 27

28 There was widespread acclaim for the amateur production. 28

29 An instantaneous reaction occurs when particular chemicals are combined. 29

30 Global communication is facilitated by satellites orbiting in space. 30

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For questions 31 to 58, shade one bubble to show your answer.

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Which of the following completes this sentence correctly?

The group was well known alternative energy solutions.

- develop
- for developing
- to develop
- which develops

32

Which word completes this sentence correctly?

The dog needed brushing was always a difficult job.

- this
- what
- which
- it

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Which sentence contains a doing verb?

- There was a cow in the middle of the road.
- Mum drove past as safely as she could.
- John thought it might be scared.
- The cow did not appear to be worried at all.

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Which word completes this sentence correctly?

mountain pygmy possum is an endangered species.

- A
- An
- The
- This

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Which sentence is punctuated correctly?

- The summer months in England are June, July and August.
- The summer months in England, are June, July and August.
- The summer months in England are, June, July, and August.
- The summer months in England, are June July and August.

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Which sentence has a word that needs an apostrophe?

- My whole schools taking part in the fun run.
- All the dogs started barking at once.
- The bees were buzzing around the flowers.
- My favourite sports are swimming and netball.

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Which of the following is punctuated correctly?

- We finally met the new neighbours the house had been empty for ages.
- Soccer is my favourite sport. I watch it and play it whenever I can.
- As soon as Dad gets home from work. We are going to wash the car.
- Close the window please the rain is blowing onto the floor.

43

In which sentence is the meaning clearest?

- I smelled the curry coming into the kitchen.
- He saw the kangaroo driving on the dirt road.
- Throwing my books in my bag, my lift pulled up outside.
- Jumping out of my seat, I ran to answer the knock on the door.

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Which sentence is correct?

- My first flight in a aeroplane was very exciting.
- I would love to ride in an hot air balloon next.
- When I grow up I want to become an astronaut.
- It would be thrilling to fly in a actual space rocket.

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45 What does the word *it* refer to in the second sentence?

The local library is full of activity. On Tuesdays there is a playgroup after school and on Wednesdays there is an art club, but on Thursdays it closes early.

- the library
- an activity
- a playgroup
- the art club

46 Which sentence is correct?

- It was both long and a very close tennis match.
- At the zoo we saw a bird show, polar bears and new baby elephant.
- My problem is that it is unfair and the speed of the decision.
- It was a time for action, not for excuses.

47 Which sentence contains an apostrophe of contraction?

- We spent the day at my friend Phil's house.
- Our neighbour's dog is in the garden.
- The television's hard to hear with all the noise.
- Penny's parents let her stay up late.

48 Which sentence is punctuated correctly?

- The sunset, glowing with reds and oranges, was spectacular.
- The sunset glowing with reds and oranges, was, spectacular.
- The sunset, glowing with reds and oranges was spectacular.
- The sunset glowing with reds and oranges was, spectacular.

49 Which sentence is punctuated correctly?

- "Help me grab my hat." I called, "before it blows over the edge."
- "Help me grab my hat" I called, "before it blows over the edge."
- "Help me grab my hat," I called, "before it blows over the edge."
- "Help me grab my hat." I called. "before it blows over the edge."

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Which sentence is correct?

- I have phoned my mother and spoke to her.
- I have understood the lesson and did the test.
- We have made new kites and flew them.
- We have read the poems and chosen one.

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Which part of this sentence is the main clause?

Because the park is used by many families, you need to get there early if you want a picnic table under a shelter near the playground.

- Because the park is used by many families
- you need to get there early
- if you want a picnic table
- under a shelter near the playground

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Which sentence contains an adjective?

- The baby gurgled and laughed in the cot when he woke up.
- He amused himself happily for half an hour.
- Suddenly he gave a sharp cry that startled us all.
- I hurried into the room and gently picked him up.

53

Which sentence contains an adverb?

- My mother regularly visits the library to borrow books.
- The oily paint was difficult to remove from my hands.
- The house was at the end of a lonely road.
- Australia is home to some deadly snakes.

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Which sentence is correct?

- He tried to disguise his voice so it sounded differently.
- My sister thinks it is a good idea, but I think different.
- We have set up our campsite differently this time.
- Two people can react quite different to the same information.

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Which sentence contains reported speech?

- As he walked towards the garage Dad asked, “Are you ready yet?”
- We could hear the children calling out from the top of the hill.
- “Hurry up!” said Mum as she put the key in the lock of the front door.
- Joe told us that we should hurry because the bus was coming.

56

In which sentence is the word *double* used as an adjective?

- That number is expected to double over the next decade.
- The actor had a stunt double for some of the scenes.
- I thought I was seeing double when I was introduced to the twins.
- That word has a double meaning.

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Which sentence has correct punctuation?

- His sisters’ wanted to buy a tent together.
- We set sail as soon as the ships’ crew was ready.
- The chicks’ nest is in a hollow of a dead tree.
- The womans’ glasses were left on the table.

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Which two words can be written as a contraction?

- who have
- she did
- need to
- why not

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