

YEAR
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LANGUAGE CONVENTIONS



SESSION 1

0:45

Time available for students to
complete test: 45 minutes

Use 2B or HB
pencil only



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PRACTICE QUESTIONS

P1

The spelling mistake in this sentence has been circled.
Write the correct spelling of the circled word in the box.

I have one bruther and one sister.

P1

P2

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

The music teacher played my gitar.

P2

Shade one bubble to show your answer.

P3

Which word completes this sentence correctly?

I like going the city.

- at
- on
- to
- in

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

1 It was the funnyest episode of the comedy show that I had seen. 1

2 It is posible that it will snow later. 2

3 I had eggs for breckfast this morning. 3

4 I ran so fast I had a stich in my side. 4

5 You should meshure the ingredients carefully when you are cooking. 5

6 The thick bush made it hard to procead down the track. 6

7 We took plenty of food and drink to sustane us on the long bushwalk. 7

8 We put some documents in a metal cillinder to use as a time capsule. 8

9 The new stopwatch was very accurate and timed each lap with precishon. 9

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10 The doctor visited some of his elderly patience in their homes. 10

11 We decided to volenteer and collect funds for charity. 11

12 The lack of playing fields in our area is outrayjus. 12

13 The sun was partially eclipst by the moon. 13

14 The children had adequett time to finish their game. 14

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

15 My brother rides his bicycle when he delivers newspapers in the locle area. 15

16 The habetat of the endangered eagle is threatened by development. 16

17 The electrician admitted that he had damadged the ceiling. 17

18 We decided the trip was not too dangerous after we disscussed the risks involved. 18

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19 They walked through a pretty valley with shady trees and a cristal clear stream. 19

20 He played the instrament so well that he was invited to give a concert at the community hall. 20

21 At the end of the excursion each student was required to complete an extensive evaluasion sheet. 21

22 The atmosphere is composed of a mixture of gasses. 22

23 Gold is a precious mineral and is very valuble. 23

24 Extracting salt from sea water involves allowing water to evaperate from large shallow ponds. 24

25 An amphibious animal can survive in both acquatic and terrestrial environments. 25

26 The surgeon reported that the operation had been successfull and a complete recovery was expected. 26

27 The highest peak in the range was conquered by the fearless mountaneer. 27

28 Staff numbers have been cut drasticy but we can still provide customers with excellent service. 28

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The retailer offered a discount on the new refrigerator and included a guarantee in case it malfunctioned.

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My parents celebrate their anniversary each year on the twelfth of February.

30

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

31

Which word completes this sentence correctly?

My sister and [] ride our bikes to school every morning.

- me
- I
- myself
- we

32

Which option completes this sentence correctly?

After school Mum is picking us up and we [] to the pool for a swim.

- go
- went
- might go
- could have gone

33

Which word completes this sentence correctly?

It's important to stand up [] what you think is right.

- to
- for
- with
- about

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Which word completes this sentence correctly?

Raj has [REDACTED] his key and he can't open the door.

- forget
- forgets
- forgot
- forgotten

35

Which clause completes this sentence correctly?

Because Lucy was late, [REDACTED]

- so she missed the bus.
- then she missed the bus.
- was why she missed the bus.
- she missed the bus.

36

Which sentence is **not** punctuated correctly?

- Who do you think will win the trophy?
- What is the date today?
- When I saw the crowd I was nervous?
- Did you know that Cleopatra was Greek?

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Which option uses brackets correctly?

- The *Emma Maersk* is classified as a ULCV Ultra Large Container Vessel. It is 397 metres long and, (when launched in 2006), was the largest ship in the world.
- The *Emma Maersk* is classified as a ULCV (Ultra Large Container Vessel). It is 397 metres long and, when launched in 2006, was the largest ship in the world.
- The *Emma Maersk* is classified as a (ULCV) Ultra Large Container Vessel. It is 397 metres long and, when launched in 2006, was the largest ship in the world.
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The text below has some words missing.
Choose the correct word or words to complete each sentence.

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The cave was cool and enticing.
The team entered through the archway
framing [redacted] inviting interior.

- its
 - his
 - their
 - our
-

39

They were thankful to be sheltered from the
hot sun beating down on [redacted], sapping
all their energy.

- it
 - him
 - them
 - us
-

40

They ventured further in, finally emerging
into a large dim cavern. [redacted] they
had difficulty seeing their surroundings.

- Later
 - At first
 - Eventually
 - Previously
-

41

But what a sight they [redacted] when their
eyes adjusted to the gloom.

- saw
- seen
- see
- are seeing

42

Which words complete this sentence correctly?

Not only [redacted] first in English, but she is also in line for the
top place in Science.

- Jane comes
- is Jane coming
- isn't Jane coming
- Jane will not come

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Which pair of words completes this text correctly?

The most popular flavours of ice-cream [] vanilla and chocolate. [] you know that both flavours come from beans?

- are Do
- is Did
- are Does
- is Do

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Which sentence is punctuated correctly?

- Betty mixed the milk and eggs, added the flour, folded it, carefully through the batter and poured it all into the cake tin.
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- Betty mixed the milk and eggs, added the flour folded it carefully through the batter and poured it all into the cake tin.
- Betty mixed the milk and eggs added the flour folded it carefully through the batter, and poured it all into the cake tin.

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Which sentence is punctuated correctly?

- Bill grumbled that he was tired of waiting and said to Mum, "When is the parade going to start?"
- Bill grumbled that "He was tired of waiting," and said to Mum, "When is the parade going to start?"
- Bill grumbled that he was tired of waiting, and said to Mum, when is the parade going to start?
- Bill grumbled "That he was tired of waiting", and said to Mum, "When is the parade going to start?"

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Which sentence includes an apostrophe of possession?

- Paul's phone was lost at school.
- It's a beautiful day for a walk.
- Sarah's going to town later.
- She thinks that Jenny's arriving soon.

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Numerous species of animals live in rainforests all over Earth. Millions of insects, reptiles, birds and mammals call them home.

In the second sentence, the pronoun *them* refers to

- animals.
- rainforests.
- millions.
- mammals.

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Which sentence is punctuated correctly?

- Joe, who usually amazed everyone with his punctuality, was unaccountably late for his important appointment.
- Joe who usually amazed everyone, with his punctuality, was unaccountably late for his important appointment.
- Joe, who usually amazed everyone with his punctuality was unaccountably late, for his important appointment.
- Joe, who usually amazed everyone with his punctuality was unaccountably late for his important appointment.

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Which sentence is punctuated correctly?

- "Yesterday," Mr Evans asked us "To bring an old shirt to wear when we paint."
- Yesterday, Mr Evans asked us "To bring an old shirt to wear when we paint."
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Read these three sentences.

Two years went by. Then John returned from Charleville. Then John started university.

Which option accurately combines the information about John into a single sentence?

- John started university two years after he returned from Charleville.
- Two years after John returned from Charleville, he started university.
- Two years later, John returned from Charleville and started university.
- John returned from Charleville and two years later started university.

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Which underlined word can be left out of this sentence, without losing any information?

We used the white bread when we ran out of the brown bread.



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In which sentence is *round* used as an adjective?

- She heard a bark and looked round for the dog.
- On the weekend he played a round of golf.
- You will need to round off those sharp corners on the table.
- A soccer ball is round in shape.

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Which sentence uses capital letters correctly?

- A new 100 m breaststroke record was set by Australian swimmer Leisel Jones at the Beijing Olympic Games.
- A new 100 m breaststroke record was set by Australian swimmer Leisel Jones at the Beijing olympic games.
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Which sentence uses an adverb correctly?

- Jan arrived lately to the chess club meeting.
- Lee conducted his science experiment confidently.
- Ben pulled at the string slow so it did not break.
- Cass grabbed her bag and ran to the shops as quick as she could.

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Which sentence is punctuated correctly?

- "My favourite game," said Liam "is Minecraft."
- "My favourite game" said Liam "is Minecraft."
- "My favourite game" said Liam, "is Minecraft."
- "My favourite game," said Liam, "is Minecraft."

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The bell rang to signal the return to classes after lunch and Pat rushed to the art room. Her pottery dish had been fired in the kiln overnight and she was keen to check on it.

Which event happened first?

- The bell rang.
- Pat rushed to the art room.
- The pottery dish was fired in the kiln.
- Pat checked on her pottery dish.

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Which of these words is a noun?

hopeless

respectful

nervously

cleverness

58

Which is a correct sentence?

- Sarah, who has four younger brothers, are going to the movies tonight.
- The dogs in the backyard growls when a stranger approaches.
- The racquets for the tennis match are in the locker.
- The charger for the mobile phones beep when the batteries are charged.

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