English grammar, punctuation and spelling

**Paper 1: questions**

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Questions and answers
There are different types of question for you to answer in different ways. The space for your answer shows you what type of answer is needed. Write your answer in the space provided. Do not write over any barcodes.

Multiple-choice answers
For some questions, you do not need to do any writing. Read the instructions carefully so that you know how to answer each question.

Short answers
Some questions are followed by a line or a box. This shows that you need to write a word, a few words or a sentence.

Marks
The number under each line at the side of the page tells you the maximum number of marks for each question.

You should work through the booklet until you are asked to stop.

Work as quickly and as carefully as you can. If you finish before the end, go back and check your work.

You have 45 minutes to answer the questions in this booklet.
Tick the sentence that must end with a question mark.

Tick one.

- Why he went there was a mystery
- What he thinks about the problem is anyone’s guess
- When are your cousins expected to arrive
- How they would get to the match was unclear

Insert a semi-colon in the correct place in the sentence below.

Come and see me tomorrow I will not have time to see you today.
4 The prefix *mis-* can be added to the word *read* to make the word *misread*.

What does the word *misread* mean?

Tick one.

- to read quickly
- to read incorrectly
- to read again
- to read before
5. Which verb form completes the sentence?

After Disha ________ her medal, she gave a television interview.

Tick one.

- is collecting
- had collected
- has collected
- was collecting

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6. Circle the correct verb form in each underlined pair to complete the sentences below.

The last place I saw Jack and Gwen _______ in the playground.

At the museum, there ______ many interesting exhibits.

The bikes ______ lined up for the start of the race.
Tick the option that correctly completes the sentence below.

_________________________ an official Olympic sport at the Winter Olympics in Japan.

Tick **one**.

- In 1998 snowboarding became,
- In 1998 snowboarding, became
- In, 1998 snowboarding became
- In 1998, snowboarding became

1 mark

Which sentence is punctuated correctly?

Tick **one**.

- Joe went upstairs, turned on his computer, took out his homework and started.
- Joe went upstairs turned on his computer, took out his homework, and started.
- Joe went, upstairs turned on his computer, took out his homework, and started.
- Joe went upstairs, turned on his computer, took out his homework and started.

1 mark
9 What is the word class of the underlined word in the sentence below?

The alarm rang and Jamal immediately jumped out of bed.

Tick one.

- conjunction
- adverb
- verb
- determiner

1 mark

10 Tick one box to show the correct place for a colon in the sentence below.

Tom needed to think carefully about his homework it looked very difficult.

1 mark
What is the word class of the underlined words in the sentence below?

The girl brought a sandwich and an apple to eat for lunch.

Tick one.

- adjectives
- adverbs
- determiners
- nouns

Which sentence is punctuated correctly?

Tick one.

The man grabbed his coat – it looked cold and windy outside.

The man grabbed his coat it looked cold – and windy outside.

The man grabbed his coat it looked cold and windy – outside.

The man grabbed his coat it looked – cold and windy outside.
13 Which sentence uses the word *round* as an **adjective**?

Tick one.

- The dog ran **round** in circles. [ ]
- There was a **round** of applause. [ ]
- The castle had a **round** tower. [ ]
- The team has already made the final **round**. [ ]

1 mark

14 Which sentence is punctuated correctly?

Tick one.

- The town is ten miles (16 kilometres) away. [ ]
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- The town is ten miles (16 kilometres away). [ ]

1 mark
15 Which sentence uses **capital letters** correctly?

Tick one.

- We are going to see a Play by Shakespeare.  
- There is a new Doctor at the local Hospital.  
- There is a Class Visit to the museum next week.  
- He is trying to swim the English Channel.  

1 mark

16 Complete the sentence with an appropriate **subordinating conjunction**.

Tracey decided to walk ________________ it was a lovely day.  

1 mark
Which sentence is an **exclamation**?

Tick one.

- What time did the sun set last night
- She said the sunset was particularly beautiful
- What a spectacular sunset that is
- The sunsets are lovely at this time of year

1 mark

Which sentence uses the word **book** as a **verb**?

Tick one.

- We decided to **book** tickets for the football match.
- Arin wrote a **book** review for the school magazine.
- The scientist’s ideas are explained in his latest **book**.
- **Book** club meets every Wednesday in the library.

1 mark
19. Insert a pair of commas in the correct place in the sentence below.

I enjoy sitting in my bedroom even though it is quite small and listening to music.

20. Replace the underlined word or words in the sentence below with the correct pronouns.

For his ninth birthday, James visited his grandparents and his grandparents took James to the cinema.
21 Which sentence is punctuated correctly?

Tick one.

- Abdul called out, “will you come and help me?”
- Abdul called out “Will you come and help me”
- Abdul called out, “Will you come and help me”?
- Abdul called out, “Will you come and help me?”

1 mark

22 Which sentence is the most formal?

Tick one.

- Your presence is requested at the wedding of our daughter.
- You would like to come to our daughter’s wedding, wouldn’t you?
- We’d love you to join us for our daughter’s wedding.
- Our daughter’s getting married – please come!

1 mark
23 Which underlined group of words is a **subordinate clause**?

Tick one.

- If you want to, you can walk with us.  
- This is the best fishing **spot** we have found.  
- We change places **when the bell rings**.  
- We planted the parsley next to the mint.  

1 mark

24 Circle the two words that are **antonyms** in the sentence below.

What looked like a worthless collection of rusty metal turned out to include ancient coins and valuable jewellery.

1 mark
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Tick one box in each row to show whether the apostrophe is used for a **contracted form** or **possession**.

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Which sentence contains a **relative clause**?

Tick **one**.

- The boy who I met at the park is in my class.  
- The team is going to play a match tomorrow.  
- Sue said that she wanted to learn to play the drums.  
- Whenever they have time, they like to go cycling.

1 mark
Declan has always been fascinated by animals he has read many books about exotic creatures jellyfish interest him the most and he would like to study them when he is older.
Insert a **pair of commas** in the correct place in the sentence below.

Jenna a very gifted singer won the talent competition that was held in her local theatre.

Rewrite the verbs in the boxes to complete the sentences with the correct choice of **tense**.

The visitors left after they __________ their coffee.

Jo usually __________ up early on Saturday morning and __________ goes swimming before breakfast.
Write a **command** which could be the first step in the instructions for making a sandwich. Remember to punctuate your answer correctly.

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Label each of the clauses in the sentence below as either **main (M)** or **subordinate (S)**.

When the bell rang, we dashed into the playground and

[ ]   [ ]

we started a game of football.

[ ]

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1 mark
Circle the **conjunction** in each sentence.

We like to eat popcorn when we go to the cinema.

Although my sister likes salted popcorn, I prefer sweet popcorn.

My brother doesn’t like popcorn at all, so he buys sweets instead.

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Which two sentences contain a **preposition**?

Tick **two**.

He walked really quickly.

The horse munched his hay happily.

She ran around the games field.

The old man walked past the door.
What is the **subject** of the sentence below?

On Tuesday, Mary plans to meet Aidan in Liverpool.

Tick one.

- Tuesday
- Mary
- Aidan
- Liverpool

1 mark

Insert a **comma** and a **dash** in the correct places in the sentence below.

Before we leave school our class wants to start a vegetable garden the first in our school’s history.

1 mark
Circle the **relative pronoun** in the sentence below.

The mountain, which could be seen in the distance, had snow on top of it.

1 mark

Complete the sentence below with the **simple past tense** of the verbs in the boxes.

I ____________ netball last weekend, but I only ____________

to play      to know

where the match ____________ the day before.

to be

1 mark
39 Insert a pair of **brackets** in the correct place in the sentence below.

The highest mountain in Great Britain is Ben Nevis 1,344 metres in Scotland.

1 mark

40 Which one **prefix** can be added to all three words below to make their antonyms?
Write the prefix in the box.

- secure
- active
- complete

[ ]

1 mark

41 Circle the two words that are **synonyms** in the passage below.

The café serves delicious snacks and cakes until noon.
After midday, you can also order hot lunches, sandwiches or soup.

1 mark
Circle the **possessive pronoun** in the passage below.

The boy showed me around the school. He took me to the music room and pointed out which classroom was his.

1 mark

43 Which punctuation mark should be used in the place indicated by the arrow?

Josh was excellent at languages **he spoke French and Spanish.**

Tick one.

- comma
- hyphen
- full stop
- semi-colon

1 mark
44. Complete each sentence below with a word formed from the root word thought.

Olisa was a very ___________________________ girl.

The children looked ________________________ at the poster on the wall.  

1 mark

45. Complete the sentence below with a noun formed from the verb encourage.

My friends offered me lots of _______________________________ to meet my targets.  

1 mark

46. Insert two hyphens in the correct places in the sentence below.

The children have been busy cooking some healthy sugar free snacks and learning some well known traditional songs for visitors to enjoy.  

1 mark
Rewrite the underlined verbs in the sentence below so that they are in the present progressive form.

Jim *learns* French at school. He *plans* to ski in the Alps in the spring.

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Rewrite the sentence below in the active.
Remember to punctuate your answer correctly.

The vital clues were discovered by the detective.
49 Write a **noun phrase** containing at least three words to complete the sentence below. Remember to punctuate your answer correctly.

___________________________ was preparing

for an important athletics competition.

50 **Circle the adverb** in the sentence below.

Of all the toys in his large collection, Karl's little brother liked the cuddly rabbit best.