Thursday 19th March 2020.
Focus: Can I review a SPaG paper?

Today, I am going to go through some of the questions from the SPaG paper you completed on Tuesday. I will show you the question, then give you another practise example to help you answering those questions in the future.

Challenges:
GOLD - 2 questions
PLATINUM - 5 questions
DIAMOND - 8 questions
Question 1: Circle the nouns in the sentences below.

1. The smallest boat easily won the race.
2. My house is in a small village.
3. In the shop there were lots of vegetables.

Success criteria:
1. Nouns = names
2. Write all the sentences in your books and underline the nouns.
Question 2: Change the underlined word into the present tense.

1. I kept my jigsaws in a big wooden box.
2. I got my pocket money at the weekend.
3. I brought my p.e kit to school on Monday.

Success criteria:
1. Keep the word the same, just change the tense.
2. Present tense means that the action is currently happening.
3. Example: kept = keep
4. Write all three sentences in your book and change the underlined word.
Question 3: Which sentence is correct? Read them through and choose which one and write it in your book.

1. Jill collects an interesting stone and took it to school.

2. Jill collects an interesting stone and had taken it to school.

3. Jill collected an interesting stone and took it to school.

Success criteria:
1. Read all sentences aloud.
2. Are they in the same tense through the sentence?
3. Which sentence sounds right?
4. Write the sentence you have chosen in your book.
Question 4: Identify all the words that need a capital letter in the sentences below.

We are going to sell cakes for charity. Please join us on Saturday morning at eleven o’clock in the school hall.

At the weekend we are going to a theme park near London. I am really excited!

Success criteria:
1. Is the word at the start of a sentence?
2. Is the word a proper noun?
3. Write the words from each sentence in your books that need capital letters.
Question 5: Change the underlined verb into the present perfect form.

Example:
I had watched the film already = had becomes have...

1. We had trained for the match.
2. I had already been to the shop.

Success criteria:
1. Key words for present perfect form are ‘have’ and ‘has’.
2. Read the sentence carefully.
3. Write the sentences in your book with the new changed word.
Question 6: Which prefix could go at the start of all of the words below?

1. _______ biography
2. _______ pilot
3. _______ mobile

Success criteria:
1. Remember a prefix goes at the start of a word.
2. Think which prefixes you know.
3. Try the prefix on all words to see if it makes sense.
4. Write the words with your chosen prefix into your book.
Question 7: Add a different piece of punctuation at the end of these sentences.

Example: What would you like to eat? This is a question so needs a question mark.

1. How lovely the cake smells
2. Bring your coat with you
3. How are you feeling today

Success criteria:
1. Read the sentence.
2. Is it a question, exclamation, statement?
3. Put the punctuation at the end of the sentence.
4. Write the sentences with the punctuation at the end.
Question 8: Identify which part of the sentence is a subordinate clause.

Example: I always listen when the teacher speaks.

1. Even though I was tired, I still went to my dance lesson.

2. I will cook dinner when my family gets home.

Success criteria:
1. Subordinate clauses do not make sense by themselves.
2. Look for commas that break the sentence up into main clause and subordinate clause.
3. Write the sentences and underline where you think the subordinate clause is.