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# Grammar, punctuation and spelling

## Paper 2: short answer questions

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## Instructions

### Questions and answers

In this booklet your **grammar, vocabulary** and **punctuation** are tested. There are different types of question for you to answer in different ways. Write your answers in the space provided. Do not write over any barcode.

- **Selected answers:** for some questions you do not need to do any writing. Tick, draw lines to, or put a circle around your answers. Read the instructions carefully so that you know how to answer each question.
- **Short answers:** some questions have a line or box for your answer. 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.

Please wait until you are told to start work on page 4.  
Work through the booklet until you are asked to stop.

**You will have 20 minutes to answer the questions in this booklet.**



1 Why is the **colon** used in the sentence below?

For this decoration you will need the following things:

- some coloured leaves
- a piece of string
- some conkers
- some dried flower heads.

Tick **one**.

to replace a missing letter

to introduce items in a list

to show you need to pause

to replace a full stop

\_\_\_\_\_ **1 mark**

2 Circle the two **noun phrases** in the sentence below.

The hungry cats looked longingly at the delicious fish.

\_\_\_\_\_ **1 mark**



**3**Which part of the sentence should be enclosed in **brackets**?Tick **one** box.

Most birds of prey including kestrels hunt inland,

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but white-tailed sea eagles hunt on the coast.

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1 mark

**4**

Draw a line to match each word to its correct definition.

**Word****Definition**

query

an official way of doing something

procedure

a question that expresses doubt or requests information

examination

a detailed inspection of something

1 mark



5 Which sentence **starts** with a subordinate clause?

Tick **one**.

Elena, who was good at science, wanted to be a vet.

Even though it was difficult, she was determined to succeed.

Elena loved all kinds of animals, especially horses.

She wanted a dog because she enjoyed caring for animals.

1 mark

6 In which sentence is the **verb** underlined?

Tick **one**.

The artists worked together in order to sell their paintings.

The museum restored a work of art from its collection.

The works of art were impressive.

The expert from the university examined the painting.

1 mark



7

Write the **contractions** of the underlined words in the boxes below them.

"It is a wonderful day out there now," said Mum. "The sun is

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↓

shining. It might not be this sunny later."

↓

1 mark

8

Insert a **pair of dashes** in the correct place in the sentence below.

Some of the vegetables in the school garden especially the  
carrots and pumpkins had grown to an enormous size.

1 mark



9

Tick the sentences that are **punctuated correctly**.

Tick **all** the correct answers.

Queen Victoria, was queen of England,  
from 1837 to 1901.

Queen Victoria's husband, whose name  
was Albert, was born in Germany.

Queen Victoria reigned for longer than any  
other English monarch.

Queen Victoria, who had nine children,  
had 42 grandchildren.

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1 mark

10

Tick to show which sentence includes a **passive** construction.

Tick **one**.

To stop the cars from crossing the bridge,  
a police officer directed traffic.

The police officer stopped the cars from  
crossing the bridge.

The cars were stopped from crossing the  
bridge by the police officer.

The police officer was stopping the cars  
so they could not cross the bridge.

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1 mark



11

The word watch can be used as a noun or a verb.

a) Write one sentence using the word watch as a **noun**.

Remember to punctuate your answer correctly.

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b) Write one sentence using the word watch as a **verb**.

Remember to punctuate your answer correctly.

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1 mark

12

Add a **prefix** and a **suffix** to the word below to make a new word.

\_\_\_\_\_honest\_\_\_\_\_

1 mark



13

Insert one **semi-colon** and one **comma** in the correct places in the passage below.

Rudi is going to play football tonight however I must stay in and do my homework.

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1 mark

14

Rewrite the sentence below in its **passive** form.

The visitor gave a speech.

Remember to punctuate your answer correctly.

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1 mark



15

Here is a passage from a book:

Hardwick Hall, which is a country house, was built in the sixteenth century. It was owned by Bess of Hardwick, who was the second richest woman in England.

Here is a quotation from the passage:

'Hardwick Hall... was owned by Bess of Hardwick.'

Why is the **ellipsis** used in this quotation?

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1 mark

16

Which sentence contains a **preposition** to indicate **time**?

Tick **one**.

I watched the show on television last night.

I have to stay in bed today because I am ill.

We used to live behind the supermarket.

It rained heavily during the night.

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1 mark



**17**

Tick one box in each row to show the type of **pronoun** underlined in each sentence.

Sentence	Personal pronoun	Relative pronoun	Possessive pronoun
When my friends go for a swim, <u>they</u> always lose something.			
The book is <u>ours</u> .			
This is the girl <u>who</u> helps each Saturday.			

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 1 mark
**18**

Write a complex sentence using the word after as a **subordinating connective**.

Remember to punctuate your answer correctly.

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 1 mark


**19**Circle the correct form of the **verb** in each underlined pair of words.One of my best friends comes / come from Kenya.In Kenya, more than 60 languages is / are spoken.The best opportunity to see Kenya's animals is / are at the national parks.\_\_\_\_\_  
1 mark**20**Circle the three **adverbs** in the sentence below.Often, I am too tired to stay awake, so I only read a few pages  
of my book.\_\_\_\_\_  
1 mark

21

Label the parts of the sentence below as either a **phrase (P)** or a **clause (C)**.

Despite the bad weather, the man headed out into the woods,

leaving his cottage behind.

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1 mark

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