

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

The boy who knocked on our door was at the wrong house.

1 mark

2. Circle the four **verbs** in the passage below.

There were hundreds of gulls circling in the sky.

They gathered near the dock, searching for scraps.

1 mark

3. Circle each word that should begin with a **capital letter** in the sentence below.

the island called zanzibar is in the indian ocean off the coast of africa.

1 mark

4. Add two **commas** to the sentence below to make it clear that Ana has four favourite things.

Ana's favourite things are camping holidays cycling and swimming.

1 mark

5. Rewrite the sentence below as **direct speech**.  
Remember to punctuate your sentence correctly.

I asked her if she needed any help.

I asked, \_\_\_\_\_

1 mark

6. Underline the **relative clause** in each sentence.

We visited the funfair that came to our town.

My uncle who lives in Australia has sent me a present.

My friend whose rabbit I look after is on holiday.

1 mark

7. Insert one **hyphen** and one **comma** in the correct places in the sentence below.

My grandmother is a ballroom dancing champion poet and singer.

1 mark

8. Replace the underlined words with the correct **pronoun**. Write one pronoun in each box.

When Jack's grandmother came to stay, she gave Jack some money.

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Jack used his money to buy a game called Gables. Jack could not

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wait to get home and play the new game.

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1 mark

9. Which sentence must **not** end with an **exclamation mark**?

Tick **one**.

What a hilarious film that was

☐

I loved the opening scene

☐

Was the ending funny

☐

I have never laughed so much

☐

1 mark

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

My father who works at the museum gave my class a guided tour.

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11. Tick the **adverb** in the sentence below.

Tick **one**.

The lively crowd cheered loudly when the rally car race began.

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1 mark

12. Write the **contracted form** of the underlined words in the box below.

We shall not do that again!

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1 mark

13. Insert a **comma** in the correct place in the sentence below.

Although he was the youngest Tom was one of the tallest.

1 mark

14. Circle each word that should begin with a **capital letter** in the sentence below.

when we visited the museum in birmingham, gareth arranged to travel by train with aunt laura.

1 mark

15. Complete the sentence below with a **relative clause**. Remember to punctuate your answer correctly.

His sister, \_\_\_\_\_ ,

is learning to speak Polish.

1 mark

16. Circle the three **nouns** in the sentence below.

The fire gave the room a cosy feeling.

1 mark

17. Insert **two commas** and a **semi-colon** in the correct places in the passage below.

Last Wednesday we performed a play at school I invited my parents to come and watch. When I first went on stage I was so nervous that I nearly forgot my lines.

1 mark

18. Underline the **adverbial** in the sentence below.

Last week, Ruby went swimming and played football.

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**19.** Which sentence is punctuated correctly?

Tick **one**.

Our parents always say “work hard and do your best.”

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Our parents always say, “work hard and do your best.”

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Our parents always say, “Work hard and do your best.”

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Our parents always say “Work hard and do your best.”

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**1 mark**

**20.** Which underlined word is an **adverb**?

Tick **one**.

The spring garden looks lovely.

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My little sister has a wobbly tooth.

☐

The clothes are folded neatly.

☐

Her brown hair is long and curly.

☐

**1 mark**

**21.** Circle the three **adjectives** in the sentence below.

He made his way up the cobbled street, striding like the bold and determined man he was.

**1 mark**

**22.** Which sentence uses **tense** correctly?

Tick **one**.

We sat and ate our lunch once we had found a sunny picnic spot.

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Once we find a sunny picnic spot, we sat and ate our lunch.

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Once we had found a sunny picnic spot, we sit and eat our lunch.

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We sat and eat our lunch once we had found a sunny picnic spot.

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1 mark

**23.** Add three **commas** in the correct places in the sentence below.

She wore a dark red skirt a woollen jumper a scarf with matching hat thick socks and black boots.

1 mark

**24.** In which sentence is lock a **verb**?

Tick **one**.

Aisha closed the box and fastened the lock.

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Make sure you lock the gate before you leave.

☐

I think I need to buy a new bike lock.

☐

The lock can only be opened with this special key.

☐

1 mark

**25.** What **word class** is him in the sentence below?

Josef's friends rushed to meet him, desperate to see if he had won.

Tick **one**.

a preposition

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an adjective

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a pronoun

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a noun

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**1 mark**

**26.** Tick one box to show where a **hyphen** is needed in the sentence below.

The class teacher praised the well behaved and helpful group of

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year six children.

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**1 mark**

**27.** Tick the sentence that must end with a **question mark**.

Tick **one**.

The teacher asked them what they were doing

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I wonder what time the next train arrives

☐

Did she play tennis on your team last year

☐

He asked if he could use my pen

☐

1 mark

**28.** Insert a **relative pronoun** to complete the sentence below.

Everyone loved the music \_\_\_\_\_ was played last night.

1 mark

**29.** Insert one **comma** in the correct place in the sentence below.

Every night Dad and my brother take the dog for a walk.

1 mark

**30.** Which sentence must **not** end with an **exclamation mark**?

Tick **one**.

You really must wear a coat

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What a dreadful day I had

☐

What is the temperature now

☐

The wind is very strong today

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1 mark

## Mark schemes

1.

**Award 1 mark** for the correct word encircled.

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1 mark

2.

**Award 1 mark** for all four correct.

There were hundreds of gulls circling in the sky.

They gathered near the dock, searching for scraps.

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3.

**Award 1 mark** for all five correct.

the island called zanzibar is in the indian ocean off the coast of africa.

1 mark

4.

**Award 1 mark** for **two** correctly placed commas.

Ana's favourite things are camping, holidays, cycling and swimming.

1 mark

5.

**Award 1 mark** for an appropriate, grammatically correct and accurately punctuated sentence in direct speech, e.g.

- I asked, "Do you need any help?"
- I asked, 'Do you need me to help you?'
- I asked, "Is any help needed?"
- I asked, "Would you like me to help you?"
- I asked, "Do you need any help with that?"
- I asked, 'Rosie, do you need me to help you?'

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6.

**Award 1 mark** for all three correct.

We visited the funfair that came to our town.

My uncle who lives in Australia has sent me a present.

My friend whose rabbit I look after is on holiday.

1 mark

7.

**Award 1 mark** for a hyphen and comma correctly inserted.

My grandmother is a ballroom–dancing champion, poet and singer.

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8.

**Award 1 mark** for the correct pronoun inserted in each box.

When Jack's grandmother came to stay, she gave Jack some money.

him

Jack used his money to buy a new game called Gables. Jack could not

He

wait to get home and play the new game.

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**Do not accept** misspellings of pronouns.

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Was the ending funny ☒

1 mark

10.

**Award 1 mark** for a correctly placed pair of commas.

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The lively crowd cheered loudly when the rally car race began.



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1 mark

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**Award 1 mark** for a correctly placed comma.

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**Award 1 mark** for all five correct.

when we visited the museum in birmingham, gareth arranged to travel by train with aunt laura

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**15.** Award 1 mark for a grammatically correct relative clause, e.g.

- His sister, who is at high school, is learning to speak Polish.
- His sister, whose hair is red, is learning to speak Polish.
- His sister, who's called Tara, is learning to speak Polish.
- His sister, who studied French last year, is learning to speak Polish.
- His sister, who had always wanted to travel, is learning to speak Polish.
- His sister, who will be going to Poland soon, is learning to speak Polish.

Do not accept a grammatically incorrect relative clause, e.g

- His sister, which is 15, is learning to speak Polish.
- His sister, that is at university, is learning to speak Polish.

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**16.** Award 1 mark for all three correct.

The fire gave the room a cosy feeling.

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**17.** Award 1 mark for two commas and a semi-colon in the correct places.

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**18.** Award 1 mark for the correctly underlined words.

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**19.** Award 1 mark for the correct box ticked.

Our parents always say, "Work hard and do your best." ☒

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**20.** Award 1 mark for the correct box ticked.

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1 mark

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**Award 1 mark** for **three** correctly placed commas.

She wore a dark red skirt, a woollen jumper, a scarf with  
matching hat, thick socks and black boots.

1 mark

24.

**Award 1 mark** for the correct box ticked.

Make sure you lock the gate before you leave. ☒

1 mark

25.

**Award 1 mark** for the correct box ticked.

a pronoun ☒

1 mark

26.

**Award 1 mark** for the one correct box ticked.

The class teacher praised the well behaved and helpful group of year six children.

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1 mark

27.

**Award 1 mark** for the correct box ticked.

Did she play tennis on your team last year ☒

1 mark

28.

**Award 1 mark** for an appropriate relative pronoun written in lower case, i.e.

- Everyone loved the music that was played last night.
- Everyone loved the music which was played last night.

**Do not accept** misspellings.

1 mark

29.

**Award 1 mark** for a correctly placed comma.

Every night, Dad and my brother take the dog for a walk.

1 mark

30.

**Award 1 mark** for the correct box ticked.

What is the temperature now ☒

1 mark