

LANGUAGE CONVENTIONS

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SESSION 1

0:45

Time available for students to
complete test: 45 minutes

Use 2B or HB
pencil only



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

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We were given a free sampel of shampoo at the shop.

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We packed ekstra supplies for the long hike.

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We were anoyed when the television set broke.

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My thumnail went black after I hit it with a hammer.

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It was the werst cake that I have ever made.

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Our old car often broke down but the new one is more relyable.

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The dam is nearly full after all the rain in the cachment area.

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The sisters have similer handwriting.

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We put a new fence around the perimetre of the yard.

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10 I helped carry the growceries from the car to the house. 10

11 High school brings increased responsabilities for all students. 11

12 We rafted down the river through a deep canion. 12

13 The noise from the loudspeakers was defening. 13

14 Mammals nurchure their young with milk. 14

15 The abreviation of a word is shorter than the full word. 15

16 We had to forfet the match when we did not have enough players. 16

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

17 Many local governments are trying to reduce the amount of garbege going into landfill. 17

18 The school requested that parents and guardians acompny students to the information evening. 18

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19 We measured all the students in the class and calculated their average height. 19

20 Both competitors had to accept the decision of the referee. 20

21 The oil spill was confined to the southern side of the headland so pollution was kept to a minimum. 21

22 My ambition is to play in a renowned symphony orchestra. 22

23 The girl inherited a precious diamond bracelet. 23

24 Kayakers must avoid a whirlpool as they navigate between the rocks. 24

25 Some animals are timid and easily frightened by sudden movements or loud noises. 25

26 He approached an independent agency to investigate the issue. 26

27 There are extremely persuasive arguments for protecting such a unique environment. 27

28 Our weather station has a rain gauge and a thermometer to take accurate measurements. 28

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29 The composition of the substance was permanently altered as a result of the experiment. 29

30 The trecherous terrain made the descent of the mountain hazardous. 30

For questions 31 to 33, choose the option that completes each sentence correctly.

31 Aerial photographs are taken from an aircraft a camera pointing towards the ground.

- with
 - off
 - below
 - for
-

32 The scale of the aerial photograph depends how high the aircraft is.

- on
 - about
 - as
 - of
-

33 The higher above the ground the aircraft is, the the area covered.

- large
- larger
- largest
- most large

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For questions 34 to 58, shade one bubble to show your answer.

34

Which word completes this sentence correctly?

Netball and basketball are [] sports that are played on courts.

- all
- every
- these
- both

35

Which words complete this sentence correctly?

We're going to the museum after this, []

- aren't we?
- won't we?
- shall we?
- should we?

36

Which pair of words completes this sentence correctly?

Mel [] a book while her brother [] a game.

- was reading was playing
- is reading was playing
- reads has played
- read has played

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Which word completes this sentence correctly?

 are welcome to attend the opening ceremony.

- Everyone
- Anybody
- Another
- All

38

Which word completes this sentence correctly?

 it is on time or not, the bus is always crowded.

- Either
- Unless
- Whether
- Although

39

Which sentence is punctuated correctly?

- I recently saw my first Shakespearean Play.
- He is learning French and Indonesian this term.
- My grandmother went to the Doctor for a Flu shot.
- He asked Professor Smith a question about her Lecture.

40

Which sentence is punctuated correctly?

- Tigers are large cats, that live in forests, swamps and, grasslands.
- Tigers are large cats, that live in forests, swamps and grasslands.
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- Tigers are large cats that live in forests, swamps and, grasslands.

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Which sentence is punctuated correctly?

- Wilbur Wright (1867-1912) and his brother Orville (1871-1948) made the first controlled flight in a powered aeroplane in 1903.
- Wilbur Wright 1867-1912 and his brother (Orville) 1871-1948 made the first controlled flight in a powered aeroplane in 1903.
- Wilbur Wright (1867-1912) and his brother Orville (1871-1948) made the first controlled flight in a powered aeroplane (in 1903).
- Wilbur Wright 1867-1912 (and his brother Orville 1871-1948) made the first controlled flight in a powered aeroplane in 1903.

42

Which sentence combines all the information in the table correctly?

Animal	Where it lives	Features
tortoise	on land	round, stumpy feet
turtle	mainly in water	webbed feet or flippers

- Turtles and tortoises have webbed feet or flippers and round, stumpy feet since they live mainly in water and on land.
- Tortoises and turtles live on land and mainly in water where they have round, stumpy feet and webbed feet or flippers.
- Turtles have webbed feet or flippers and live mainly in water while tortoises live on land and have round, stumpy feet.
- Tortoises must have round, stumpy feet when they live on land but turtles need webbed feet or flippers and live mainly in water.

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Which word from this sentence describes the waterfall?

The water crashed into the pool at the bottom of the high waterfall, filling the air with mist.

- crashed
- bottom
- high
- filling

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Which pair of words completes this sentence correctly?

If [redacted] staying for training, you will need [redacted] boots.

- your your
- your you're
- you're your
- you're you're

45

When the holiday's are over, Dad's uncle (my great uncle) is coming from Italy to visit.

This sentence contains an error in the use of

- a capital letter.
- a comma.
- an apostrophe.
- brackets.

46

Which word from this text does **not** indicate time?

While we might still win the match it is not looking likely. The visitors were first to score a try, then kicked two goals just before half-time.

- While
- first
- then
- before

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Which sentence contains an apostrophe of possession?

- The library's trialling new opening hours.
- It's now open all day on Saturday.
- Wednesday's another day with longer hours.
- All the changes are on the council's website.

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Which sentence is punctuated correctly?

- My sister helped prepare for the party, by tidying the living room, blowing up the balloons and putting up the decorations.
- My sister helped prepare for the party by tidying the living room, blowing up the balloons and, putting up the decorations.
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49

Which sentence contains a contraction?

- My teacher's desk is always tidy.
- I went out to buy my brother's present.
- The school's fastest runner is in my class.
- Dad's going to the river to do some fishing.

50

Which sentence is punctuated correctly?

- A glider's long narrow wings allow it to glide on warm air currents.
- A gliders' long narrow wings allow it to glide on warm air currents.
- A glider's long narrow wing's allow it to glide on warm air currents.
- A gliders' long narrow wings' allow it to glide on warm air currents.

51

Which words complete this sentence correctly?

The remarkable discovery of the Wollemi Pine in the Greater Blue Mountains [REDACTED] the area being inscribed on the World Heritage List in December 2000.

- is why
- then caused
- suggested that
- contributed to

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Which word in this sentence is a pronoun?

Many birds have musical calls, but some birds are just noisy, like that one in your front yard.

- Many
- some
- that
- your

53

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

- Running into the room I tripped and almost fell.
- The announcer made a running commentary on the match.
- My bus was running late due to the heavy rain.
- He injured himself while running around the park with the dog.

54

Which is **not** a correct sentence?

- Butterflies can be found wherever there are flowers and trees.
- What beautiful wings that butterfly has!
- See the bright colours and patterns on the wings.
- Caterpillars eat leaves and then grows into a butterfly.

55

Which is a correct sentence?

- I ran to the oval so quick that I was there first.
- The train can travel quite fast on the new track.
- He typed the address wrong so the website did not appear.
- She drew the diagram neat so everyone would understand it.

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Which option correctly combines the information in these two sentences into a single sentence?

The first recorded game of soccer in Australia was held in 1875. The National Soccer League was established in 1977.

- Although not established until 1977, the National Soccer League held the first recorded game of soccer in Australia in 1875.
- Despite holding the first recorded game of soccer in Australia in 1875, the National Soccer League was not established until 1977.
- Despite the National Soccer League being established in 1977, the first recorded game of soccer in Australia was held in 1875.
- Although the first recorded game of soccer in Australia was held in 1875, the National Soccer League was not established until 1977.

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The cuddly koala climbed almost to the top of the tree, then sat high in the branches munching happily on juicy eucalyptus leaves.

Which of these words is **not** an adverb in this sentence?

- cuddly
- almost
- high
- happily

58

In which sentence is *outside* used as a preposition?

- The house had an outside dining area.
- He put his gumboots outside the door.
- She only painted the outside of the box.
- It is raining outside so take your umbrella.

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