

Key Stage 2 National Curriculum Tests English Grammar, Punctuation and Vocabulary

Test Paper 1





Question Number	Question and Answer	Marks
1	Circle the adverb that shows how Dave danced.	
G1	Dave put on his best shirt before dancing energetically.	1
	rd one mark for the correct word circled. Focus: G1 – To express time, place and cause using adverbs.	
2	Circle the right words in each of the boxes to make sure that the sentences written in Standard English.	are
G7	Dave has lived in London since he was a boy. He could have moved but decided to stay.	1
	rd one mark for both words circled correctly. Focus: G7 – To recognise Standard English forms.	
3	Tick the correct box to say which clause is underlined in the following sente	nces:
G3	SentenceMain ClauseSubordinate ClauseIf he listened really hard, Dave could hear music coming from next door.Dave always goes to dance practice even when he's not feeling one hundred percent.Although it wasn't far to go, Dave always drove to work.	1
	rd one mark for all three answers ticked correctly. Focus: G3 – To recognise main and subordinate clauses.	
4	Choose the correct conjunction for each of the gaps in these sentences, onle each word once.	y use
G3	 a. Although I am short, I can reach the top of my wardrobe. b. Because of the rain, we are staying in today. c. Until I hear the door bell, I am not getting up from my seat. 	1
	rd one mark for all three conjunctions used correctly. Focus: G3 – To use a wider range of subordinating conjunctions.	1





5	Which sentence is a command? Tick one.	
G2	Pick up that piece of paper. 🗸	1
Notes: Awa	rd one mark for one correct tick.	
Grammar F command.	Focus: G2 - To know that the grammatical pattern in a sentence indicates its functio	n is a
6	Write a synonym in the box to replace the underlined word so that the senten the same meaning.	ice has
G6	Any synonym for flabbergasted, e.g. surprised, shocked, astounded.	1
Notes: Awa	ard one mark for one correct word.	
Grammar F	Focus: G6 – To know how words are related by meaning as synonyms and antonyms	S.
7	Which of these sentences needs a question mark? Tick one.	
G2	Please could I have a return ticket to York 🖌	1
Notes: Awa	rd one mark for one correct tick.	
Grammar F is a questio	Focus: G2 - To know that the grammatical pattern in a sentence indicates its function.	'n
8	Which of these sentences has used a question mark correctly? Tick one.	
G5	"Would you like to come to the cinema with me?" asked Dave. 🗸	1
Notes: Awa	ard one mark for one correct tick.	
Grammar F	Focus: G5 – To use other punctuation within the inverted commas of direct speech.	
9	Underline the expanded noun phrase in the following sentence:	
G3	Before lunchtime, Jasmine snacked on <u>a delicious, nutritious fruit salad.</u>	1
Notes: Awa	rd one mark for all of the words underlined.	
Grammar F	Focus: G3 – To recognise expanded noun phrases for description and specification.	





10	Tick for each sentence whether it is in present proprogressive tense.	ogressive ter	nse or past	
	Sentence	Present Progressive	Past Progressive	
G4	Dave was playing a great tune on his guitar.			1
	Dave is singing while he cooks his meal.			
	Dave was lighting a firework at the Bonfire Night display.			
	Dave is sneaking into the kitchen to get some chocolate.			
Notes: Awa	rd one mark for all of the correct ticks.			
Grammar F	Focus: G4 – To recognise present and past progressive	tenses to ma	rk actions in pro	ogress.
11	Add the three missing commas into this sentence.			
G5	After washing his hair, Dave got into his car, which he and drove off on his night out.	had also clea	aned that day,	1
	rd one mark for all of the commas in the correct place Focus: G5 – To use commas to demarcate fronted adve		ative clauses.	
12	Label whether each of these words is an adjective	or noun.		
G1	Dave was climbing a particularly steep hill when his sl muddy puddle. Adjective adjective	hoe fell off an	nd landed in a	1
	rd one mark for all of the words correctly labelled. Focus: G1 – To recognise adjectives and nouns.			
13	Match each root word with the correct suffix to cr	reate a verb:		
G6	note ate pulse ise critic ify			1
	rd one mark for all of the correct answers. Focus: G6 – To form verbs using suffixes –ate, –ise and	-ify.		





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14	Circle the words in this sentence that need capital letters.	
G5	when dave sings an elvis song, he dreams about living in america.	1
Grammar	ard one mark for all of words correctly circled. Focus: G5 – To use capital letters for people, places, the days of the week and to de of a sentence.	emarcate
15	Which of these sentences is grammatically correct? Tick one.	
G4	Dave was much better at dancing than his brother. 🗸	1
Notes: Aw	ard one mark for one correct answer ticked.	
Grammar	Focus: G4 - To use consistent tense.	
16	Underline both of the modal verbs in these sentences:	
G4	Everyone <u>could</u> see Dave as he appeared over the horizon. If he kept sprinting, he <u>might</u> win the race.	1
	ard one mark for both correct words underlined. Focus: G4 – To recognise modal verbs that indicate degrees of possibility.	
17	Tick the box where a semi-colon should go to separate the independent claus	ses:
G5	Every year, Dave goes on holiday to Whitby it often rains while he's there.	1
	ard one mark for the correct box ticked. Focus: G5 – To use semi-colons to mark the boundary between independent clauses	S.
18	Place commas around the relative clause in this sentence:	
G3	Dave's dishwasher, which he had owned for almost ten years, had started to leak water.	1
Notes: Aw	ard one mark for both commas in the correct position.	1
	Focus: G3 – To recognise and demarcate relative clauses beginning with which, who, om, whose or that.	when,





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19	Which of these plural possessive apostrophe sentences is correct? Tick one.	-
G5	All of his friends' tents were pitched in a line on the camping field. 🗸	1
Notes: Awa	ard one mark for the correct sentence ticked.	
Grammar	Focus: G5 – To use apostrophes to mark plural possession.	
20	Underline the conjunction in these sentences:	
G1	Dave loves his doughnuts. Alt <u>hough he</u> knows that fatty food is unhealthy, he still eats them twice a week.	1
Notes: Awa	ard one mark for the correct word circled.	
Grammar	Focus: G1 – To recognised conjunctions used for time, place and cause.	
21	Which of these sentences shows the correct agreement between subject and Tick one.	verb?
G4	At Dave's birthday party, everyone plays party games. 🗸	1
Notes: Awa	ard one mark for the correct sentence ticked.	
Grammar	Focus: G4 - To maintain consistent verb form and tense.	
22	Add the missing commas to the following sentence.	
G5	Dave got a joke book, a remote control helicopter, a	1
65	new jumper and some gift vouchers for his birthday.	1
Notes: Awa	ard one mark for both commas inserted correctly.	
Grammar	Focus: G5 - To use commas in a list.	
23	Put a pair of brackets around the parenthesis in the sentence below:	
G5	Dave's journey to Whitby took a long time (almost four hours) because of a terrible traffic jam on the motorway.	1
	ard one mark for both brackets inserted correctly. Focus: G5 – To use brackets, dashes or commas to indicate parenthesis.	





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24	Write a pronoun in the box below to replace the underlined word in the sentence:			
G1	When Dave arrives at work, the first th	ning <u>he</u> does is	make a cup of tea.	1
Notes: Awa	ard one mark for the correct answer.			
Grammar I	Focus: G1 – To use appropriate pronoun	ns to avoid repe	etition.	
25	Tick an antonym for the word 'depro	essing'. Tick o	one.	
G6	uplifting 🗸			1
Notes: Awa	ard one mark for the correct answer.			
Grammar I	Focus: G6 - To know how words are rela	ated by meanir	ng as antonyms and synonym	S.
26	Underline all of the determiners in t	his sentence:		
G1	Dave has <u>a</u> lovely house in Yorkshire v	with <u>an</u> old cat	and t <u>wo</u> rabbits.	1
	ard one mark for all three words correct F ocus: G1 – To recognise determiners; u	•	a' and 'an' correctly.	<u>.</u>
27	Insert the correct verb to make this	a present pe	rfect sentence:	
G4	Dave has eaten in many famous resta	urants.		1
Notes: Awa	ard one mark for the correct answer.			
Grammar I	Focus: G4 - To use the present perfect	form of verbs.		
28	Tick to show whether these sentence	es are writte	n in the active or passive vo	ice.
	Sentence	Active	Passive	
	The ball was caught by Dave.		✓	1
G4	Dave saved the free kick.	 Image: A start of the start of		
	The crossbar was hit by the ball.		✓	
	ard one mark for all three answers ticke Focus: G4 – To recognise active and pas	•		1





29	Put the missing contraction apostrophe in this sentence:			
G5	Dave didn't know what to say when someone told him he had a great singing voice.	1		
Notes: Awa	ard one mark for the correct answer.			
Grammar I	Focus: G5 – To use apostrophes to mark contracted forms.			
30	Match up the words with the right term of description.			
	Words Descriptive Term			
	which she always found funny A prepositional phrase			
G3	inside the restaurant A main clause	1		
	Dave took his mum out for a meal A relative clause			
	ard one mark for all three terms correctly matched.			
Grammar I	Focus: G3 – To recognise types of clauses.			
31	Circle the object of this sentence:			
G1	Dave cycled on his new bike.	1		
Notes: Awa	ard one mark for the correct word circled.			
Grammar I	Focus: G1 - To recognise subjects and objects within sentences.			
32	Underline the two prepositions in the sentence:			
G1	G1 Before Easter, Dave visited London and ran in the marathon. 1			
Notes: Award one mark for both of the correct words being underlined. Grammar Focus: G1 – To recognise prepositions to express time, place and cause.				





33	Complete the table by w	riting an appropriate pref	fix to match the verb root w	ords.
	Prefix	Verb Root]	
	mis-	trust		
G6	dis-	obey		1
	over-	react		
	re-	apply		
Notes: Awa	rd one mark for all three co	orrect prefixes.		
Grammar F	Focus: G6 - To recognise ve	erb prefixes (e.g. dis-, re-, de	e-, mis- and over-).	
34	What does the root 'vac'	mean in the word family	below.	
G6	empty 🗸			1
Notes: Awa	rd one mark for the correct	answer.		
Grammar I meaning.	Focus: G6 - To know word f	amilies are based on comm	on roots that are related in fo	orm and
35	Draw a line to match eac	h sentence to its correct	function.	
G2	How awful the weath Take your umbrell You've put on your and The weather forecast sa going to have a	la with you prak, haven't you aid that we were	statement command question exclamation	1
	nrd one mark for all four con Focus: G2 - To recognise the		function of different sentend	ces.
36	Circle one co-ordinating	conjunction in each sent	ence:	
G3	b) Dave doesn't like sp	he talent show for he isn't prouts nor does he like cab Id bake but his cakes are al	bage.	1
	ard one mark for all three co Focus: G3 - To use co-ordin	-		



37	Which sentence has used inverted commas correctly? Tick one.			
G5	"Pass to me now!" shouted Dave during the football game. 🗸	1		
Notes: Award one mark for the correct answer. Grammar Focus: G5 – To use inverted commas and other punctuation to indicate direct speech.				
38	Tick the sentence that uses the dash correctly:			
G5	The clumsy waiter dropped soup in Dave's lap – he didn't get a tip! 🗸	1		
	ard one mark for the correct answer. Focus: G5 – To use a dash to mark the boundary between independent clauses.			
39	Each of the sentences below has a mistake in it. The mistake is underlined and your task is to write in the correction:			
G7	 a. Last week, Dave lended a ladder from his friend. borrowed b. Food is been served today. being c. After he had been in the sea, he warmed up and have a cup of hot tea. 	1		
	ard one mark for all three correct answers. Focus: G7 – To recognise standard verb forms.			
40	Circle the two words that show the tense in the sentence below.			
G4	The boysgoto the skate park every day - it is their favourite place.	1		
Notes: Awa	Notes: Award one mark for both correct words circled.			
Grammar I	Focus: G4 - To recognise verbs forms for consistent tense.			





41	What is the word 'before' in this sentence? Tick one.				
G1	A preposition 🖌				
Notes: Award one mark for the correct answer.					
Grammar Focus: G1 – To recognise word classes.					
42 a	Write a sentence using the word 'train' as a verb.				
G1	Accept any sentence where 'train' is used as a verb, e.g. The gymnast tried her best to train every day.				
Notes: Award one mark for the correct answer.					
Grammar Focus: G1 - To recognise word classes.					
42 b	Write a sentence using the word 'train' as a noun.				
G1	Accept any sentence where 'train' is used as a noun, e.g. Hurriedly, the passengers boarded the train.				
Notes: Award one mark for the correct answer.					
Grammar Focus: G1 - To recognise word classes.					
43	Label each word with the correct letter.				
G1	A - Noun B - Verb C - Pronoun D - Determiner E - Adverb				
	Dave hurriedly grabbed a bag of crisps before he left the house A E B C D	1			
Notes: Award one mark for all of the words being labelled correctly.					
Grammar Focus: G1 - To recognise word classes.					
44	Rewrite the sentence below so that it is in the active voice.				
G4	The basketball smashed the window.	1			
Notes: Award one mark for a correct sentence. Grammar Focus: G4 – To use the active and passive voice.					



45	Which verb completes the sentence so that it uses the subjunctive form?					
G4	were 🗸					
Notes: Award one mark for a correct sentence.						
Grammar Focus: G4 - To recognise the subjunctive form.						
46	What is the function of the sentence below?					
G2	command 🗸	1				
Notes: Award one mark for a correct sentence. Grammar Focus: G2 – To recognise the grammatical patterns in a sentence to indicate its function is a command.						
47	Complete the passage with adjectives derived from the nouns in brackets.					
G1	The children were having a glorious[glory] day at the seaside. Their wonderful[wonder] new kite was flying fantastically well on the beach but they were left1helpless[help] when the string snapped and it floated out to sea.1					
Notes: Award one mark for all correct words.						
Grammar F	Focus: G1 – To create adjectives using suffixes.					
48	Fill in the gap in each sentence with the correct possessive pronoun.					
G1	That jacket belongs to Adam. That jacket is his . This car is owned by my family. This car is ours . These lip balms belong to those girls. These lip balms are theirs .	1				
Notes: Award one mark for all three correct words.						
Grammar Focus: G1 - To use possessive pronouns.						
49	Insert a comma in the sentence below to make it clear that only Hazim and Nisha went to the zoo.					
G5	Once they had spoken to mum, Hazim and Nisha left for the zoo.	1				
Notes: Award one mark for the correct placement of the comma						
Grammar Focus: G5 – To use commas to clarify meaning or avoid ambiguity in writing.						





Paper	Content domain reference	Number of marks	Percentage of total mark
	Grammar	32	64%
Grammar & Punctuation Paper	Punctuation	11	22%
	Vocabulary	7	14%
Тс	otal	50	





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