

2025 national curriculum tests

# Key stage 1

## English grammar, punctuation and spelling

### Paper 2: questions

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## Practice questions

**a** The sentences below have their punctuation marks covered.

Which sentence is a **command**?

Tick **one**.

Throw the ball ●

☐

You could throw the ball ●

☐

Can we throw the ball ●

☐

How big that ball is ●

☐

**b** Circle the word in the sentence below that must have a **capital letter**.

my class is singing in assembly.

**1** Tick the correct word to complete the sentence below.

*I wanted to read my book \_\_\_\_\_ it was too dark.*

Tick **one**.

if ☐

but ☐

or ☐

that ☐

☐  
1 mark

**2** Add the correct punctuation mark in the box below.

*Where are the pens and pencils*

☐  
1 mark

3

Circle **one** word in the sentence below that can be replaced with the word because.

Ava wore her sun hat when it was hot.



1 mark

4

Add a **full stop** to mark the two sentences below.

My friend has a dog I have a cat and a goldfish.



1 mark

5

What does the **apostrophe** in the word Dean's show?

Dean's new trainers are white.

Tick **one**.

The new trainers belong to Dean.

☐

The word has some missing letters.

☐

It shows a pause in the sentence.

☐

Dean's is a plural word.

☐

1 mark

6

Circle one word in each box to complete the sentences in the **past tense**.

The children saw the farm animals and

sit  
sat

on the

tractor. The farmer

showed  
shows

them the controls.



1 mark

7

Tick the **two** sentences that must end with a **question mark**.

Tick **two**.

What a great time we had on the trip

☐

Yesterday, I asked my friend to stay

☐

Who has he invited to the party

☐

Is anyone else coming today

☐

When I get home, I will read my book

☐

1 mark

8

What type of word is underlined in the sentence below?

Dad wrote a short list before he went shopping.

Tick **one**.

a verb

☐

a noun

☐

an adjective

☐

an adverb

☐

1 mark

9

Add a **suffix** to make the word proud an **adverb**.

Seth walked proud\_\_\_\_\_ across the stage.



1 mark

10

Write the words do not as one word, using an **apostrophe**.

I do not like the toy.



1 mark



11

Add **two** commas to the sentence below in the correct places.

My teacher can understand English Polish Urdu and  
sign language.



1 mark

12

What type of word is underlined in the sentence below?

Anita and her dad cleaned the car.

Tick **one**.

a noun

☐

a verb

☐

an adjective

☐

an adverb

☐

1 mark

13

Add **two** letters to the word finished to make a word that means not finished.

The teacher told me to put my \_\_\_\_finished work in the tray.



1 mark

14

Add one **exclamation mark** in the correct place below.

How wet it is Will I need my wellies today?



1 mark

15

Tick the sentence where the underlined word is a **noun**.

Tick **one**.

The big ball bounced over the gate.

☐

Jo chased the ball across the field.

☐

She quickly threw the ball to her friend.

☐

Her friend kicked the ball.

☐

1 mark

16

Which sentence uses **capital letters** correctly?

Tick **one**.

Alice and I went to the Cinema.

☐

Last month We visited Spain.

☐

Hedgehogs come out at Night.

☐

The weather was warm last Friday.

☐

1 mark

17

Add a **suffix** to the word colour to complete the sentence below.

The costume was very colour\_\_\_\_\_ with bright red ribbons.



1 mark

18

Write a **statement** using only the four words in the box.

Remember to use correct punctuation.

children	can	the	sing
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2 marks

19

The sentences below have their punctuation marks covered.

Which sentence is an **exclamation**?

Tick **one**.

Sasha, are you nearly ready●

☐

What are we going to do today●

☐

We need a packed lunch●

☐

What great fun we had●

☐

1 mark

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