

# LANGUAGE CONVENTIONS

YEAR

7

2010

SESSION 1

0:45

Time available for students to  
complete test: 45 minutes

Use 2B or HB  
pencil **only**



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### PRACTICE QUESTIONS

- P1** The spelling mistake in this sentence has been circled.  
Write the correct spelling for the circled word in the box.

Our class (really) enjoyed the concert.

P1

- P2** This sentence has one word that is incorrect.  
Write the correct spelling of the word in the box.

The crowd was astounded by the skill  
of the artest.

P2

- P3** Which word correctly completes the sentence?

My friends asked me [ ] was the best player in the team.

- ☐ that
- ☐ who
- ☐ what
- ☐ whom

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- P4** A comma ( , ) has been left out of this sentence.  
Where does the missing comma go?

Early in the day, before the crowd arrived we enjoyed the peaceful silence.



- P5** Which word could replace the underlined word in this sentence?  
This is where Ella lives. Do you want to visit Ella now?

- ☐ her
- ☐ she
- ☐ their
- ☐ herself

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

1 The climat in Antarctica is extremely harsh.  1

2 Jason's father and uncel watched him play football.  2

3 We walked to the top of the mouneten.  3

4 The student had ekselent results in the Maths test.  4

5 It is easy to have simpathie for the sad main character.  5

6 They agreed in principal to the proposal.  6

7 The enviroment needs to be protected for the future.  7

8 Geoffrey recieved his exam results by email.  8

9 Our school library has plenty of new books.  9

10 The rain put an end to the drout.  10

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### Read *Rodeo*.

The spelling mistakes have been circled.

Write the correct spelling for each circled word in the box.

#### Rodeo

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We heard some gossip that the travelling rodeo is arriving next month.

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The performers have reputashuns as the toughest bull riders in the country.

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They use a lasso made of plaited ropes as a weppon to tame the fiercest bulls.

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The crowds are incuraged to participate through their raucous yelling.

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The whole spectacle is completely free from tecknilogicle effects.

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Although some people think that bull riding is unacceptible, it is popular in rural Australia.

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Each sentence has one word that is incorrect.

Write the correct spelling of the word in the box.

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The priority email message contained documents as an attachent.

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Some talented art students were invited to submit their skechs.

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Write the correct spelling of the word in the box.**

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|----|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|
| 19 | The captain noticed that several players moved orkwardly and stiffly at training. | 19 |
| 20 | If the correct adress is not on the envelope, it will not be delivered.           | 20 |
| 21 | She was suprizied when her name was drawn in the raffle at the school fete.       | 21 |
| 22 | We had a great discussion about the official biografee of the famous actor.       | 22 |
| 23 | The bushes grew together into a thick, high hedje.                                | 23 |
| 24 | The coach needed to choose the fittest players for the forthcoming tornament.     | 24 |
| 25 | The clothing lable warned that the synthetic fabric was highly flammable.         | 25 |
| 26 | The gard gave the police an accurate description of the situation.                | 26 |
| 27 | Use a bibliography to list any research refrances consulted.                      | 27 |
| 28 | The rearing black stalyon led the brumbies down the hillside.                     | 28 |
| 29 | The residew at the base of the container revealed the undissolved chemicals.      | 29 |
| 30 | The wooden kebab scewers had to be soaked overnight in water.                     | 30 |

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Which word correctly completes this sentence?

One benefit of the increasing use of solar panels today            cheaper electricity.

- ☐ is
- ☐ are
- ☐ was
- ☐ were

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Which sentence indicates that something is not certain?

- ☐ The children will go to the beach when the pool is closed.
- ☐ The children shall go to the beach when the pool is closed.
- ☐ The children might go to the beach when the pool is closed.
- ☐ The children must go to the beach when the pool is closed.

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Which sentence shows the correct punctuation of direct speech?

- ☐ “Come here you,” yelled the man, “as the children ran off.”
- ☐ The coach said, “we will play last year’s winners in the final.”
- ☐ When the doorbell rang, she sat up and asked, “Now, who can that be?”
- ☐ “Where are you, Peter?” whispered Tran “from behind the closed door.”

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Which is the correct way to combine the following sentences into one?

Sandy likes shopping. Sandy likes visiting the museum. Sandy likes to go to the movies.

- ☐ Sandy likes to shop, visiting the museum and movies.
- ☐ Sandy likes shopping, visits the museum and the movies.
- ☐ Sandy likes to go shopping, to the museum and to the movies.
- ☐ Sandy likes shopping, visiting the museum and going to the movies.

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Which letters or words from this sentence should be in brackets ( ) ?

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The United Nations UN headquarters is in New York, USA.

- ☐ United Nations
- ☐ UN
- ☐ New York
- ☐ USA

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Which sentence uses the apostrophe ( ' ) correctly?

- ☐ These are not my sock's.
- ☐ James' needs to go home.
- ☐ Look at the cute puppies'!
- ☐ He's going to be late again.

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Which word or words correctly complete this sentence?

He            won if he had tried harder.

- ☐ could
- ☐ could of
- ☐ could had
- ☐ could have

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Which word or words correctly complete this sentence?

It is requested that all phones            turned off during the show.

- ☐ be
- ☐ being
- ☐ are being
- ☐ have been

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39 Which words correctly complete this sentence?

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I have lost my bag but my keys are in my pocket [REDACTED].

- ☐ luckily I can still drive home
- ☐ it is lucky I can still drive home
- ☐ so luckily I can still drive home
- ☐ because it is lucky I can still drive home

40 An apostrophe ( ' ) has been left out of this sentence.  
Where should the missing apostrophe go?



It was nobodys fault that the officials took their passports instead of ours.

41 Which word or words correctly complete this sentence?

Brett felt the loss of the computer [REDACTED] than his sister,  
because he used it every day.

- ☐ deeper
- ☐ deeply
- ☐ more deeply
- ☐ most deeply

42 Which word is a pronoun?

- ☐ ours
- ☐ after
- ☐ beside
- ☐ kitchen

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June wants to know whether she or her brother Richard will drive the car.

Which way of punctuating her sentence makes the meaning clear?

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- ☐ “Will you drive Richard or will I?”
- ☐ “Will you drive Richard, or will I?”
- ☐ “Will you, drive Richard or will I?”
- ☐ “Will you drive, Richard, or will I?”

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Which sentence is correct?

- ☐ If the movie had gone any longer, we will walk out.
- ☐ If the school changed its uniform, the move isn't popular.
- ☐ You will be able to catch the train as long as you leave early.
- ☐ You are allowed to go on the ride, unless you have a ticket.

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Which word or words could replace the underlined words in this sentence?

Other than her sisters and friends, no one knew about her hobby.

- ☐ Including
- ☐ As well as
- ☐ Except for
- ☐ In addition to

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Which is the correct place in this sentence to put the following punctuation and words?

, who was a loyal man,

My grandfather was an officer in the Australian Army.



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Which word or words correctly complete this sentence?

I will go for a walk            it rains or not.

- ☐ even if
- ☐ whether
- ☐ whenever
- ☐ regardless

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Which word is missing from the second sentence?

The party invitations failed to arrive.           , the evening was a success because we phoned everyone to let them know.

- ☐ While
- ☐ Whereas
- ☐ However
- ☐ Although

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Which sentence correctly uses brackets ( )?

- ☐ Dr Williams claims the project (is the cleverest solution) to the problem soil erosion and salinity that she has considered.
- ☐ Dr Williams claims the project is the cleverest solution (to the problem) soil erosion and salinity that she has considered.
- ☐ Dr Williams claims the project is the cleverest solution to the problem (soil erosion and salinity) that she has considered.
- ☐ Dr Williams claims the project is the cleverest solution to the problem soil erosion and salinity that (she has) considered.

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Which sentence is correct?

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- ☐ Neither sheep and cattle were found on the farm.
- ☐ Neither a letter but a fax was able to get through.
- ☐ Neither the students or the teachers were at the school.
- ☐ Neither the team nor the fans were happy with the result.

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Which pair of words correctly completes this sentence?

The dog stopped chasing            tail and ran into            kennel.

- ☐ its            its
- ☐ it's          its
- ☐ its          it's
- ☐ it's          it's

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Which of the following words have quotation marks (‘ and ’) to tell the reader not to take them literally?

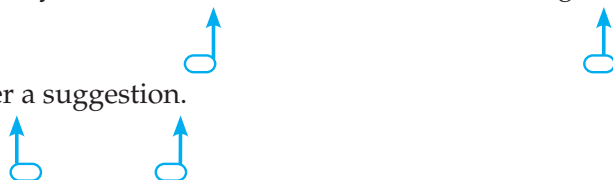
- ☐ Garry ‘Charles’ Peterson is a man with a strong will.
- ☐ Newbook Gallery say they are ‘giving away’ bestsellers for only \$20.
- ☐ The biographer described the subject as ‘an eccentric, harmless old man’.
- ☐ Great movies such as ‘Star Wars’ often appeal to people of all generations.

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Where could the words ‘quite a lot’ be placed in this sentence?

Obviously, Evan knew that the situation had changed because he was able

to offer a suggestion.



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In which sentence is the meaning clear?

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- ☐ The grass was very wet, playing in the rain.
- ☐ After playing in the rain, the grass was very wet.
- ☐ Before playing in the rain, the grass was very wet.
- ☐ When they were playing in the rain, the grass was very wet.

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