

THE TEN-MINUTE TEST - GRAMMAR AND PUNCTUATION - TEST 5

1. Choose the appropriate **connectives** to complete the sentences below.

..... it started to rain, we continued playing the match. We stopped,,
lightning started to flash across the sky.

(a) as soon as (b) although (c) however **1 mark**

2. Change the underlined nouns to the **plural** form.

(a) I saw the wolf in the forest. (b) I can see the child over there.
(c) Don't touch the tomato. (d) Please peel the potato for me. **2 marks**

3. Place the **commas** in the correct places in these sentences.

(a) Please answer the phone for me Sally. **1 mark**
(b) I'd like chips an egg sausages but no peas. **1 mark**
(c) Fortunately Liverpool scored in the last minute and won the match. **1 mark**
(d) It's rather chilly today isn't it? **1 mark**

4. You are looking over your work and you decide to replace the word
'yummy' in the sentence: The cupcakes were absolutely *yummy*.

_____ **1 mark**

5. Underline the **subordinate clauses** in these sentences.

(a) I've lost the book you wanted to borrow from me. **1 mark**
(b) Because Jon felt so ill, he stayed at home for the day. **1 mark**
(c) No one knows whom to blame for disaster. **1 mark**
(d) My cat, who is ten years old now, can still catch mice. **1 mark**

6. What kind of **nouns** are used in the sentence below:
common - proper - collective - abstract?

2 marks

Miss **Smith** always told the **class** that a little **knowledge** is a dangerous **thing**.

7. Insert the missing **inverted commas** in the sentences below.

(a) Please sit down he told the children. **1 mark**
(b) The nurse said, I'm going to take your temperature. **1 mark**
(c) I'm not sure, said David, but I think I know the answer. **1 mark**
(d) May I go now? asked Suzan. **1 mark**

8. Which word is **furthest** in meaning to '**sensible**' in the sentence below?
I think you've made a very **sensible** decision.
(a) foolish (b) wise (c) reasonable (d) sound **1 mark**
9. Choose the correct form of the **verb** to complete the sentence below.
Both children _____ absent from school yesterday.
(a) was (b) are (c) is (d) were **1 mark**
10. Change the sentence below from a command to a **polite request**.
Get my coat now! **1 mark**

Challenging questions!

11. Complete this sentence correctly.
Please give the money to it belongs.
(a) whomever (b) whoever **1 mark**
12. Underline the **subject** of the sentence below.
'Singing in the Rain' is one my favourite movies. **1 mark**
13. Underline the **error** in the sentence below.
Let's share the money between you and I. **1 mark**
14. Underline **all** the **adverbs** in the sentence below.
Bravely, our troops fought as hard as they could,
and eventually triumphed even better than expected. **2 marks**
15. Which of these sentences is grammatically correct?
(a) None of the children is here.
(b) None of the children are here. **1 mark**