

# testbase

## Year 3 Mid-year Grammar and Punctuation

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1. What is the underlined word in the sentence below?

They went for a run around the field.

Tick **one**.

verb

☐

adverb

☐

preposition

☐

noun

☐

1 mark

2. Circle the **adverb** in the sentence below.

We woke up late and had a big breakfast.

1 mark

3. Which sentence below is a **command**?

Tick **one**.

Putting up decorations is fun.

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Who put up the decorations?

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Put up the decorations.

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What lovely decorations!

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1 mark

4. Tick the **noun** in the sentence below.

Akio wishes the rain would stop so he could go out.

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□

1 mark

5. Rewrite the sentence below as a **question**.  
Use only the same words and remember to punctuate your answer.

It is dark outside.

\_\_\_\_\_

1 mark

6. Underline the **preposition** in the sentence below.

Let's get some popcorn before the film starts.

1 mark

7. Write the **adverb** that can be formed from the adjective normal.

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1 mark

8. Which sentence is written in the **present progressive** form?

Tick **one**.

Kyra puts her trainers on quickly.

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The food is nearly ready.

☐

I am hungry in the morning.

☐

We are walking to the shops.

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1 mark

9. Insert a **full stop** and a **capital letter** in the correct places to make two sentences.

The story is about a haunted castle that is why I like it.

1 mark

10. What are the underlined words in the passage below?

We wanted to go to an outdoor pool. However, the sun was a bit too hot for us.

Tick **one**.

prepositions

☐

determiners

☐

pronouns

☐

conjunctions

☐

1 mark

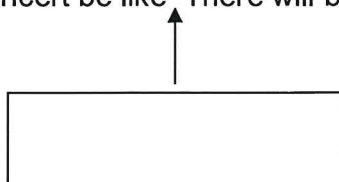
11. Circle **all** the **pronouns** in the sentence below.

Jake needed a space in our cupboard for his books and stickers.

1 mark

12. Write the name of the **punctuation mark** that should be used in the place indicated by the arrow.

What will the concert be like There will be music and singing.



1 mark

13. Tick one box to show which word in the sentence below is a **pronoun**.

Abbas finished the picture and hung it on the wall.

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1 mark

14. What does the root **tri** mean in the word family below?

**tricycle**

**triplet**

**triceratops**

**triangle**

Tick **one**.

three

☐

many

☐

corner

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four

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1 mark

15. Circle **all** the **conjunctions** in the sentences below.

I enjoyed using the lift when it wasn't crowded.

In the morning, it was busy because lots of people were leaving.

1 mark

16. Tick **two** boxes to show where **inverted commas** are needed in the sentence below.

Our teacher called out ☐ Ready steady go ☐ and everyone ☐  
wondered ☐ who would ☐ come first.

1 mark

17. Complete the sentence below with a **coordinating conjunction**.

You can play the game with cards \_\_\_\_\_ dice.

1 mark

18. Tick one box in each row to show if the underlined clause is a **main clause** or a **subordinate clause**.

Sentence	Main clause	Subordinate clause
<u>The boots are comfortable</u> , because I am used to them.		
<u>Although it is July</u> , the weather has not been good.		
It is difficult to eat <u>when the food has gone cold</u> .		

1 mark

19. Underline **all** the **adjectives** in the sentence below.

Friday was the coldest day of the week so I wore a thick jumper.

1 mark

20. Tick one box in each row to show which suffix makes each word a **noun**.

Word	suffix -er	suffix -ness
build		
weak		
help		

1 mark

21. Rewrite the sentence below in the **past tense**.

Maddie draws lots of pictures.

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1 mark

22. What is the underlined word in the sentence below?

There was a lake behind the forest.

Tick **one**.

preposition

☐

adverb

☐

adjective

☐

verb

☐

1 mark

23. Which sentence uses **capital letters** correctly?

Tick **one**.

we will take the train to our cousin's house on Friday.

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we will take the train to our Cousin's house on Friday.

☐

We will take the train to our cousin's house on Friday.

☐

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☐

1 mark

24. Tick **all** the places where an **apostrophe** is needed in the passage below.

The cars engine was loud and its noise filled the street. There was

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a van blocking everyones way for ten minutes.

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1 mark

25. Which sentence contains a **present perfect** verb form?

Tick **one**.

Laura has taken her turn on the trampoline.

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Laura took her turn on the trampoline.

☐

Laura was taking her turn on the trampoline.

☐

Laura had taken her turn on the trampoline.

☐

1 mark



26. Draw a line to match each **prefix** to the correct word so that it makes a new word.

Prefix	Word
auto	septic
sub	graph
super	heading
anti	market

1 mark

27. Which sentence is punctuated correctly?

Tick **one**.

What! a tasty meal you made for us!

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What a tasty meal you made for us!

☐

What? a tasty meal you made for us.

☐

What a tasty meal! you made for us.

☐

1 mark

28. Finish the sentence below by adding a **subordinate clause**.  
Remember to punctuate your answer correctly.

I got home late \_\_\_\_\_

1 mark

29. Insert a **comma** in the correct place in the sentence below.

More than one thousand pictures stories and models were  
sent in for the competition.

1 mark

30. Tick **all** the sentences below which contain a **coordinating conjunction**.

The clock stopped because of its battery.

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There were many seagulls near the cafe.

☐

My knee hurts but it is not bleeding.



☐

The runner started fast and built up a lead.

☐

1 mark

## GRAMMAR AND PUNCTUATION

Qu.	Ref.	Requirement	Mark
1	G1.1	noun ✓	1
2	G1.6	We woke up <u>late</u> and had a big breakfast.	1
3	G2.3	Put up the decorations. ✓	1
4	G1.1	Akio wishes the rain would stop so he could go out. 	1
5	G2.2	<b>Award 1 mark</b> for an appropriate question, using the given words and with correct punctuation, e.g. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Is it dark outside?</li> </ul> <b>Do not accept</b> questions which adapt the sentence or include additional words, e.g. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>What is it like outside?</li> <li>Why is it dark?</li> </ul> <b>Accept</b> the omission of words that do not affect the overall meaning: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Is it dark?</li> </ul>	1
6	G1.7	Let's get some popcorn <u>before</u> the film starts.	1
7	G1.6	<b>Award 1 mark</b> for the correct adverb. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>normally.</li> </ul> <b>Do not accept</b> misspellings.	1
8	G4.1d	We are walking to the shops. ✓	1
9	G5.1 G5.2	The story is about a haunted castle. That is why I like it.	1
10	G1.8	determiners ✓	1
11	G1.5	Jake needed space in <u>our</u> cupboard for <u>his</u> books and stickers.	1
12	G5.3	Question mark	1
13	G1.5	<u>Abbas</u> finished <u>the</u> picture and hung <u>it</u> on the <u>wall</u> . 	1
14	G6.4	three ✓	1

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15	G1.4	<b>Award 1 mark</b> for both conjunctions encircled. I enjoyed using the lift <u>when</u> it wasn't crowded. In the morning, it was busy <u>because</u> lots of people were leaving.	1												
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17	G3.3	<b>Award 1 mark</b> for an appropriate co-ordinating conjunction, e.g. • <i>and</i> • <i>or</i> . <b>Do not accept</b> misspellings.	1												
18	G3.1 G3.4	<b>Award 1 mark</b> for a correctly completed table. <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"><thead><tr><th style="width: 50%;">Sentence</th><th style="width: 20%;">Main clause</th><th style="width: 30%;">Subordinate clause</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td><u>The boots are comfortable</u>, because I am used to them.</td><td style="text-align: center;">✓</td><td></td></tr><tr><td><u>Although it is July</u>, the weather has not been good.</td><td></td><td style="text-align: center;">✓</td></tr><tr><td>It is difficult to eat <u>when the food has gone cold</u>.</td><td></td><td style="text-align: center;">✓</td></tr></tbody></table>	Sentence	Main clause	Subordinate clause	<u>The boots are comfortable</u> , because I am used to them.	✓		<u>Although it is July</u> , the weather has not been good.		✓	It is difficult to eat <u>when the food has gone cold</u> .		✓	1
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21	G4.1a	<p><b>Award 1 mark</b> for an appropriate grammatically correct sentence in the past tense, using correct punctuation, e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Maddie drew lots of pictures.</li> </ul> <p><b>Accept</b> sentences using the correct past perfect or past progressive form.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Maddie had drawn lots of pictures.</li> <li>Maddie was drawing lots of pictures.</li> </ul> <p><b>Do not accept</b> correct sentences using different verb forms, e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Maddie has drawn lots of pictures.</li> <li>Maddie is drawing lots of pictures.</li> </ul> <p><b>Also accept</b> minor differences that do not affect the meaning, e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Maddie drew pictures.</li> </ul>	1
22	G1.7	preposition ✓	1
23	G5.1	We will take the train to our cousin's house on Friday. ✓	1
24	G5.8	<p>The cars engine was loud and its noise filled the street. There was a van</p> <p style="text-align: center;">↑  <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">✓</div></p> <p>blocking everyones way for ten minutes.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">↑  <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">✓</div></p>	1
25	G4.1b	Laura has taken her turn on the trampoline. ✓	1
26	G6.2	<p><b>Award 1 mark</b> for all four correct.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div> auto sub super anti </div> <div> septic graph heading market </div> </div>	1
27	G5.4	What a tasty meal you made for us! ✓	1

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28	G3.4	<p><b>Award 1 mark</b> for a suitable subordinate clause, that is correctly punctuated, e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I got home late <b>because I had to walk.</b></li> <li>• I got home late <b>when I had football club.</b></li> <li>• I got home late <b>as my bicycle broke.</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Do not accept</b> grammatically correct sentences which do not include a subordinate clause, e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I got home late <b>after school.</b></li> <li>• I got home late <b>from the park.</b></li> </ul>	1
29	G5.5	More than one thousand pictures, stories and models were sent in for the competition.	1
30	G3.3	<p><b>Award 1 mark</b> for <b>both</b> ticks.</p> <p>My knee hurts but it is not bleeding.✓</p> <p>The runner started fast and built up a lead.✓</p>	1