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LANGUAGE CONVENTIONS

YEAR 5

2008

0:40 Time available for students to complete test: 40 minutes

Use 2B or HB pencil **only**

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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 Many dogs are good at (swiming) . [1]

2 Seven is my lucky (numba) . [2]

3 I am visiting my (frends) . [3]

4 My brother thinks he is (grate) on a skateboard. [4]

5 My mum (compeated) in the Olympic Games. [5]

6 Mr Jones is a (populor) teacher. [6]

7 I like (vanila) ice cream the best. [7]

8 Your heart is a (muscel) that pumps blood. [8]

9 We have sent (astronots) to explore the moon. [9]

10 We saw him going in the (oposit) direction. [10]

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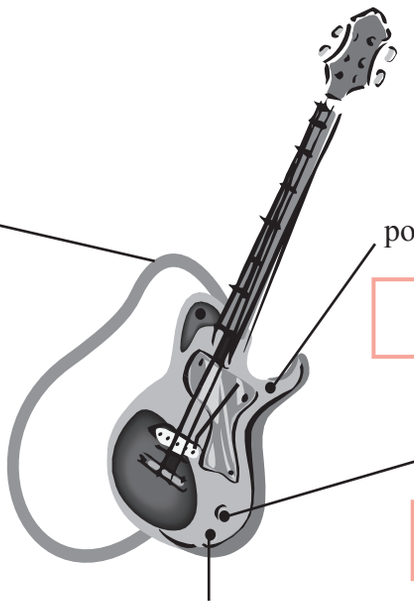

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power butten

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vollume control

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Read the text about *Cells*.
Each line has one word that is incorrect.
Write the correct spelling of the word in the box.

Cells

Your body is made up of milions of tiny

15

cells. Blood carries oxegen to the cells

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to keep them working propley.

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Write the correct spelling of the word in the box.

18 It's been raining sinse Monday. 18

19 There are many members of the lizerd family. 19

20 I'd like to clime mountains. 20

21 I don't like the taist of strawberries. 21

22 I heard a different vershion of the story. 22

23 My mum is training to run in a marothan. 23

24 I need to do some exercise to improve my fittnes. 24

25 We were disapointed when we had to leave early. 25

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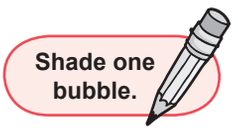
26 Which of the following correctly completes the sentence?



"Why did you ____ a red car?" David asked.

buy	bought	buying	brought
⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭

27 Which of the following correctly completes the sentence?

Bella knew ____ her mother would be pleased.

but	that	what	which
⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭

28 Which of the following correctly completes the sentence?

Mum, Grandma and my cousin ____ on a trip.

goes	goed	is going	are going
⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭

29 Which of the following correctly completes the sentence?

The library was quiet ____ I tiptoed.

so	but	except	in case
⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭

30 Which of the following correctly completes the sentence?

Marcia's birthday is ____ March.

in	on	at	for
⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭

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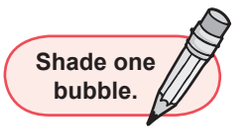
31 Which sentence has the correct punctuation?



- dad, jo and anna swam across the lake.
- Dad, jo and anna swam across the lake.
- Dad, Jo and Anna swam across the lake.
- Dad, Jo and Anna Swam Across the Lake.

32 Some punctuation marks have been left out of the text below.
Shade one bubble to show the best place to put the question mark (**?**).

"Hey it's fine today Do you want to play tennis I'm going outside now"

33 Which of the following correctly completes the sentence?

The bell ____ loudly.

ring	rang	rung	ringed

34 Which sentence has the correct punctuation?

- Why didn't you bring your cap asked John.
- "Why didn't you bring your cap" asked John.
- "why didn't you bring your cap?" asked John.
- "Why didn't you bring your cap?" asked John.

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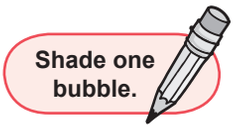
35 Which of the following correctly completes the sentence?



I was ____ at dawn.

woke	waken	woken	waked
○	○	○	○

36 Which of the following correctly completes the sentence?

Hurry up ____ we'll miss the bus!

or	so	and	before
○	○	○	○

37 Which of the following correctly completes the sentence?

Her name was Rosie so the roses must be ____ for her.

meanted	meant	meaned	meaning
○	○	○	○

38 Which one of the following is correct?

- ○ My sister didn't have any money. Or did I.
- ○ My sister didn't have any money. Either did I.
- ○ My sister didn't have any money. Neither did I.
- ○ My sister didn't have any money. Nor neither did I.

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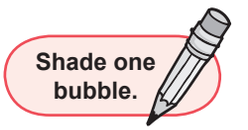
39 Which sentence has the correct punctuation?



- He said to be quick, so we ran.
- He said “to be quick, so we ran.”
- He said to be “quick, so we ran.”
- He said “To be quick, so we ran.”

40 Which sentence has the correct punctuation?

- Sam who, is only three had to stay with Mum.
- Sam, who is only three had to stay with Mum.
- Sam, who is only three had, to stay with Mum.
- Sam, who is only three, had to stay with Mum.

41 Which of the following correctly completes the sentence?

He had an _____ bowl of soup.

big	large	gigantic	enormous

42 Which sentence has the correct punctuation?

- Dad said Time for bed.
- “Dad said” Time for bed.
- Dad said, “time for bed.”
- Dad said, “Time for bed.”

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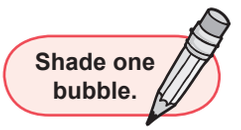
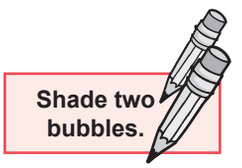
43 Which sentence is correct?



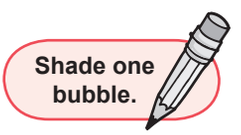
- Her and him had a canoe.
- He and his sister had a canoe.
- Him and his sister had a canoe.
- Himself and his sister had a canoe.

44 Shade **two** bubbles to show where the missing speech marks (“ ”) should go.



“Hey, Bill, have you heard the news? said Donna. We have a holiday on Friday.”

45 Shade one bubble to show where the missing apostrophe (’) should go.



After dinner, Dads job was to wash the dishes while Mark and his sisters walked the dogs.

46 Which sentence is correct?

- They were carrying things upstairs and stack them on the floor.
- They were carried things upstairs and stacked them on the floor.
- They were carried things upstairs and stacking them on the floor.
- They were carrying things upstairs and stacking them on the floor.

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47 Which of the following correctly completes the sentence?

Shade one bubble.

Max insisted _____ for a swim.

to go	going	on going	in going
⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭

48 Which of the following correctly completes the sentence?

She was sick _____ her dog's naughty behaviour.

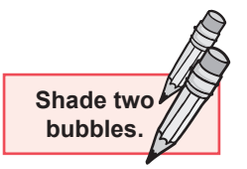
because	of	by	as
⬭	⬭	⬭	⬭

49 Which sentence has the correct punctuation?

- ⬭ When Dad asked Li, How was school?", she just shrugged.
- ⬭ When Dad asked Li, "How was school", she just shrugged.
- ⬭ When Dad asked Li, "How was school?", she just shrugged.
- ⬭ When Dad asked Li, "How was school?", She just shrugged.

50 Shade **two** bubbles to show where the missing commas (**,**) should go.

Shade two bubbles.



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that most people would prefer more daylight-saving time.

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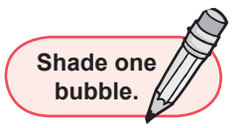
The spelling mistake in this sentence has been circled.
Write the correct spelling for the circled word in the box.

P1 We went to (scool) .

The sentence below has one word that is incorrect.
Write the correct spelling of the word in the box.

P2 We bought sum bread.

P3 Which of the following correctly completes the sentence?



Do you have ____ pet?

a	if	he	she
○	○	○	○

P4 Which sentence is correct?

- ○ Some people like cats best than dogs.
- ○ Some people like cats better than dogs.
- ○ Some people like cats more best than dogs.
- ○ Some people like cats more better than dogs.

P5 Shade one bubble to show where the missing full stop (.) should go.

We arrived at school on time

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