

Key Stage 2

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Instructions

Questions and answers

There are different sorts of questions and it should be obvious how to answer each one.

Each question contains at least one joke. Sometimes the joke is finished after the space for your answer.

Marks

There are 50 questions and each question is worth 1 mark.

You should work through the booklet until you are asked to stop.

Work as quickly and as carefully as you can. If you get stuck, move onto another question. You can revisit difficult questions later. If you finish before the end, go back and check your work.

You have 45 minutes to answer the questions in this booklet.

1

Underline the **adverbial** in the sentence below.

Every week I clean the mirrors—it's a job I can see myself doing.

2

Tick one box in each row to show whether each sentence is a **question, statement** or **command**.

Sentence	Question	Statement	Command
What did the envelope say to the stamp	✓		
Stick with me and we'll go places			✓
Why are fish so clever	✓		
It is because they go around in schools		✓	

3

Add three **commas** to the second sentence to show that five signs were taken.

I was shocked when the highway police said that my sister was a thief. But when I opened her bedroom door, all the signs were there: STOP, Crossroads, Roundabout, No Waiting and Slippery Road.

4

Underline four **prepositions** in the sentences below.

Sarah walked across the playground, threw a lump of cheddar towards Mary and then ducked behind the rubbish bin. Mary, gazing at the cheese, exclaimed, "That's not very mature."

5

What is the **word class** of the words underlined in the sentence below?

My guest slept like a log and woke up in the fireplace.

Tick **one**.

pronouns

determiners

adjectives

nouns

6

Circle the **object** in the first sentence below.

My pet owl Toby lost his voice last night. He didn't give a hoot.

7

Which sentence uses **capital letters** correctly?

Tick **one**

The M1 northbound between Sheffield and Barnsley has been blocked by an overturned tesco lorry.

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The lorry was carrying 3 tonnes of onions. Police are advising stranded motorists to find a hard shoulder to cry on.

8

Insert a **subordinating conjunction** to complete the sentence below.

I hate Russian dolls because they're so full of themselves.

9

Tick one box in each row to show whether the sentence is in the **present progressive** or **past progressive**.

Sentence	Present progressive	Past progressive
A cement mixer and a police van were driving towards Manchester.		✓
Before the crash, the driver of the cement mixer was checking his mobile phone.		✓
Police are currently searching the area for twelve hardened criminals.	✓	

10

I just love our new whiteboards—I find them re-markable.

Tick the meaning of the word **re-markable**.

Tick **one**

amazing

can be marked again

magic

should be remarked about

11

Complete the sentence below with an **adjective** formed from the noun delight.

I don't quite know why living in Switzerland is so delightful but the flag really is a big plus.

12

Replace the underlined words with the correct **pronoun**. Write one pronoun in each box.

She

it

Nadia stayed up all night wondering where the Sun was. Then the Sun dawned on

her

Nadia.

13

Bearing in mind the meaning of the second sentence, add **two commas** to the **first** sentence below.

Following the latest bank robbery, Chief Inspector Jones said that he was looking for a tall woman dressed in green, with one eye. He later stated that if he hadn't found her by Wednesday, he would open his other eye and use that too.

14

Underline the subordinate clause in **each** sentence below.

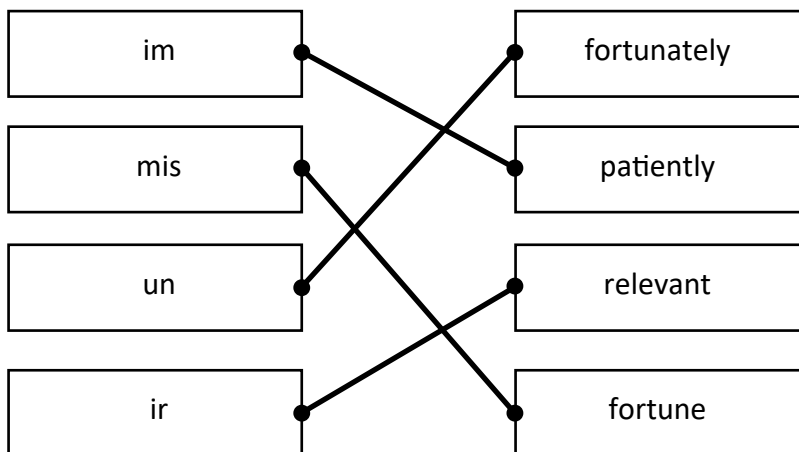
As frog's car had been toad away, he had to use the bus to get home.

Beekeepers often have sticky hair because they use honeycombs.

Ever since our dog Bouncer ate the Scrabble tiles, he has been leaving little messages all round the house.

15

Draw a line to match each **prefix** to a word to make **four** different words. Use each prefix only once. Insert the four completed words in the sentences below to complete the joke.



Last Saturday I had the misfortune of watching my football team lose 5-0. The result was irrelevant as they had already been relegated. Unfortunately as I waited impatiently to leave the ground, the temperature rose. It must have been because so many fans had stayed away.

16

Complete the sentence below using the **conjunctions** from the box. Use each conjunction only **once**.

You can make notes using scrap paper _____ and _____ a pen _____ or _____ biro, _____ but _____ not a broken pencil — it's pointless.

and but or

17

Which sentence is an exclamation?

Tick **one**

Did you hear that Felix the cat won a prize at the dog show

It's a cat-has-trophy

Susan thinks it is a cat-has-trophy

The judges said that no rules had been broken

18

Which sentence is grammatically correct?

Tick **one**

Two weeks ago, I will order a Chinese takeaway.

Last night I ordered numbers 9, 13, 27 and 53.

Tomorrow, my wife had said the food tasted a bit odd.

Last Thursday I will take it back.

19

Tick **two** boxes to show where the missing **inverted commas** should go.

Did you know that the toilet paper rolled downhill to get to the bottom? asked Sam.

20

Circle two words that are **antonyms** in the **first** sentence below.

A wife phones her husband and advises him to drive **sensibly** as the local radio had reported that a driver was **stupidly** driving the wrong way down the motorway. The husband replied, "It's much worse than that; there are hundreds of drivers going the wrong way."

21

Which sentence is the most formal?

Tick **one**

Did you know the shark ate the clownfish?

Apparently it tasted a little funny.

Kindly inform me which vegetable the librarian likes most.

She simply adores quiet peas.

22

Tick **one** box in each row to show whether the sentence is written in the **active** or the **passive**.

Sentence	Active	Passive
The grape was trodden on by Joe.		✓
It let out a little wine.	✓	
The clock was eaten by Amira yesterday.		✓
She found it very time-consuming.	✓	

23

Circle the **possessive pronoun** in the sentence below.

Although my shoes have Velcro, Sara refuses to have Velcro on hers as she thinks it is a total rip-off.

24

Insert a **colon** in the correct place in the sentence below.

I was left with two impressions after my visit to the Space Restaurant:
fabulous food but no atmosphere.

25

Which sentence uses the word round as a noun?

Tick one

When it was time to cut Alice's cake, Mrs Smith asked her husband to round up the girls.

First Mr Smith finished his round of crazy golf.

Then he set off round the side of the house to find the girls in the back garden.

Finally, passing the round flower bed, he entered the kitchen through the back door.

"I've rounded them all up—there's 30."

"Are you sure? I only invited 26 of Alice's friends."

"You did ask me to round them **up**."

26

Circle the **conjunction** in each sentence.

After I explained to the doctor that no one listens to me, he called out, "Next please!"

I was fired from the keyboard factory today as I wasn't putting in enough shifts.

Because I hadn't changed out of my army clothes, I still had a grenade in my pocket.

Things went horribly wrong when the checkout assistant asked for my PIN.

27

What is the **subject** of the **first** sentence below?

After break, Joseph sat on the floor to complete his long multiplication calculations. He explained that Mrs Jones had told him to do them without tables.

Tick **one**

- break
- floor
- Joseph
- calculations

28

Which **verb form** completes the sentence?

After the patient _____ that he thought he was a pair of curtains, the doctor told him to pull himself together.

Tick **one**

- was explaining
- has explained
- had explained
- is explaining

29

Tick one box in each row to show whether the apostrophe is used for a **contracted form** or **possession**.

Sentence	Apostrophe for contracted form	Apostrophe for possession
Sue's luggage had been lost by the airline.		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
She wasn't going to take that lying down so she decided to sue.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Unfortunately Sue's now lost a different sort of case.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

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Which of the first four sentences uses brackets correctly?

Tick **one**

John the butcher wears size 10 (EU 44.5) shoes.

Yesterday he went (to the market and) bought a new shirt with collar size 16.

Last week he replaced his hat (with a purple striped bobble) hat size XL 60cm.

He is hoping that his wife (will remember his chest size is M) when she buys him a new jumper at Christmas.

From the information above, you should be able to work out what he weighs. Answer in Question 40.

31

Add two **hyphens** to the **first** sentence below.

Last night, the captain of container ship Seabulk, whose cargo consisted of sixty-five tonnes of red paint, made a half-hearted, unsuccessful attempt to avoid a collision with the ship Seabreeze carrying violet paint.

Both crews are believed to be marooned.

32

Circle the **relative pronoun** in the sentence below.

Mr Tomkins, whose dog liked to bite its tail, always carried two water bottles when he played golf—in case he got a hole in one.

33

Which sentence shows that the walls are **most likely** to meet?

One wall said to the other, "I may meet you in the corner."

One wall said to the other, "I will meet you in the corner."

One wall said to the other, "I could meet you in the corner."

One wall said to the other, "I might meet you in the corner."

34

Rewrite the first sentence below as **direct speech**.
Remember to punctuate your sentence correctly.

My daughter told me to stop acting like a flamingo.

My daughter said, "Stop acting like a flamingo."

So I had to put my foot down.

35

Which sentence is written in the **subjunctive** mood?

Tick **one**

Life is short so it is essential that she smile before she lose her teeth.

Smile before you lose your teeth—life is short.

Because life is short, it is important that she smiles before she loses her teeth.

Once you've lost your teeth, your smile is never the same.

36

Which sentence uses the underlined word as a **verb**?

Tick **one**

Just beside the exit to the bank, I was approached by an old lady.

She wanted me to help her check her balance.

So without hesitation, I pushed her over.

I will never date another apostrophe—the last one was too possessive.

37

Insert a **semi-colon** in the correct place in the sentence below.

I am good at sleeping; I can do it with my eyes closed.

38

Circle the correct **verb form** in each underlined pair to complete the sentences below.

Roger and Mariam was / were working in a shoe-recycling factory.

They found that the work was / were sole destroying.

The number 6 was / were very afraid as 7 ate 9.

39

Circle the two words that are **synonyms** in the sentences below.

I was amazed that Sophie had painted her eyebrows so quickly. When I pointed out that they looked a little high to me, she looked surprised.

40

Tick one box in each row to show whether the underlined noun is **singular** or **plural**.

	Singular	Plural
<u>John</u> 's scales are used to weigh meat.	✓	
One <u>customer</u> 's comment read, 'My wife's gone vegetarian—big missed steak.'	✓	
The sign on the <u>children</u> 's section reads, 'Nice to meet you!'		✓

41

Insert **two commas** in the sentence below to stop Granny being eaten.

When we have finished baking, let's eat, Granny.

42

In the **second** sentence, what **word class** could well be?

Hamza fell down the well. She could not see that well.

Tick one

noun only

adverb only

noun or adverb

adjective only

43

Rewrite the statement below to make it into a **question**. You may need to add extra words. Remember to punctuate your sentence correctly.

If you look really closely, all mirrors look like eyeballs.

Any of:

If you look really closely, what do all mirrors look like?

What do all mirrors look like if you look really closely?

If you look really closely, do all mirrors look like eyeballs?

44

Which option completes the sentence in the **past perfect**?

As soon as Black Jack the pirate _____ the age of 80, he exclaimed, "Aye matey!"

Tick one

had reached

has reached

was reaching

reached

45

Complete the sentence below with a verb formed from the adjective thick.

As I had suspected all along, someone has been adding manure to my allotment.

The plot thickens.

46

Rewrite the two sentences below as one sentence using an appropriate **co-ordinating conjunction**. Remember to punctuate your answer correctly.

Parallel lines have so much in common **yet** it's a shame they'll never meet.

Parallel lines have so much in common **but** it's a shame they'll never meet.

Parallel lines have so much in common **so** it's a shame they'll never meet.

47

Which one **prefix** can be added to all three words below to make their antonyms?
Write the prefix in the box.

partial
possible
plausible

im

Complete the sentence below using one of the antonyms you formed.

My mum says nothing is impossible but I do nothing every day.

48

Circle two **proper nouns** in the sentences below.

Mrs Smith strode into the top class at St Mary's Primary School and announced that 8/10 pupils had failed the latest maths test. I was proud that I would be in the other 2%.

49

From the sentences below, complete the table with one example of each of the three different **noun types**.

I went shopping yesterday with my family and bought a blindfold. Now I am having some regrets as I can't see myself wearing it.

Noun type	Example
concrete	blindfold
abstract	regrets
collective	family

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Circle four different **determiners** in the sentences below.

Every meal my mum would feed me some alphabet soup, claiming that I was very fond of it. The truth is that she was just putting words in my mouth.

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