



# **SATs Evening, 2020**

## **SPaG Test**

**Q1.**

Which sentence uses the **present perfect form**?

Tick **one**.

Jo went shopping on Saturday and she bought a whole new outfit.

The girl entered at the last minute and won the race!

My sister was a reserve, but she scored the winning goal.

My dog was very naughty, but since the classes he has been much better.

1 mark

**Q2.**

Which verb completes the sentence so that it uses the **subjunctive form**?

I wish I \_\_\_\_\_ able to join you, but it will not be possible.

Tick **one**.

am

was

were

be

1 mark

**Q3.**

Which sentence is an **exclamation**?

Tick **one**.

What time did the sun set last night

She said the sunset was particularly beautiful

What a spectacular sunset that is

The sunsets are lovely at this time of year

1 mark

**Q4.**

Which two sentences contain a **preposition**?

Tick **two**.

He walked really quickly.

The horse munched his hay happily.

She ran around the games field.

The old man walked past the door.

1 mark

**Q5.**

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

When Mum saw that I was wearing Oliver's gloves, she wanted to know where mine were.

1 mark

**Q6.**

What is the grammatical term for the underlined words in the sentence below?

My prize was a fluffy green pencil case with a gold zip.

\_\_\_\_\_

1 mark

**Q7.**

Underline the **relative clause** in each sentence.

We visited the funfair that came to our town.

My uncle who lives in Australia has sent me a present.

My friend whose rabbit I look after is on holiday.

1 mark

**Q8.**

Circle the three **determiners** in the sentence below.

William didn't have any cereal in the house, so he went out to buy some cornflakes.

1 mark

**Q9.**

Complete the sentence by writing a word formed from the root word music on each line.

Every member of the Jones family was \_\_\_\_\_,

but only Mr Jones was a professional \_\_\_\_\_.

1 mark

**Q10.**

Rewrite the sentence below in the **passive**.  
Remember to punctuate your answer correctly.

The wind damaged the fence.

1 mark

**Q11.**

Explain how the **comma** changes the meaning of the second sentence.

1. I asked if Jake Thomas and Lily were coming to the barbecue.
  2. I asked if Jake, Thomas and Lily were coming to the barbecue.
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1 mark

**Q12.**

Which sentence is punctuated correctly?

Tick **one**.

Our parents always say “work hard and do your best.”

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Our parents always say, “Work hard and do your best.”

Our parents always say “Work hard and do your best.”

1 mark

**Q13.**

What is the **word class** of the underlined word?

Our school is bigger than theirs.

Tick **one**.

a co-ordinating conjunction

a subordinating conjunction

a possessive pronoun

a relative pronoun

1 mark

**Q14.**

What kind of **clause** is underlined in the sentence below?

If they could afford to, the ancient Romans ate well.

\_\_\_\_\_

1 mark

**Q15.**

Which sentence is punctuated correctly?

Tick **one**.

I will be running – a half marathon 13 miles  
next week!

I will be – running a half marathon – 13  
miles next week!

I will be running a half marathon 13 – miles  
– next week!

I will be running a half marathon – 13 miles  
– next week!

1 mark

**Q16.**

Insert a **pair of brackets** in the correct place in the sentence below.

Using public transport such as buses and trains can reduce  
pollution.

1 mark

**Q17.**

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

Frank would like to go to Cornwall next summer he might also  
visit France in the spring.

1 mark

**Q18.**

Insert a **relative pronoun** to complete the sentence below.

Everyone loved the music \_\_\_\_\_ was played last night.

1 mark

**Q19.**

Draw a line to match each word to the correct **suffix**.  
Use each suffix only once.

Word	Suffix
accomplish	ful
forgive	ment
joy	ish
fool	ness

1 mark

**Q20.**

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

We all sang loudly in assembly.

1 mark

# Mark schemes

Q1.

My dog was very naughty, but since the classes he has been much better.

Q2.

were

Q3.

What a spectacular sunset that is

1 mark

Q4.

**Award 1 mark** for **two** correct sentences ticked.

She ran around the games field.   
The old man walked past the door.

1 mark

Q5.

**Award 1 mark** for the correct word encircled.

When Mum saw that I was wearing Oliver's gloves, she wanted to know where were.

**mine**

1 mark

Q6.

**Award 1 mark** for a correct response:

- *noun phrase*
- *expanded noun phrase*

**There are no spelling or punctuation requirements for this question.**



**Q7.**

**Award 1 mark** for all three correct.

We visited the funfair that came to our town.

My uncle who lives in Australia has sent me a present.

My friend whose rabbit I look after is on holiday.

1 mark

**Q8.**

**Award 1 mark** for all three correct.

William didn't have any cereal in the house, so he went out to buy some cornflakes.

1 mark

**Q9.**

**Award 1 mark** for two correct words derived from the word music written in lower case, e.g.

Every member of the Jones family was musical,

but only Mr Jones was a professional musician.

**Do not accept** misspellings.

1 mark

**Q10.**

**Award 1 mark** for a correctly punctuated sentence using the passive, e.g.

- *The fence was damaged by the wind.*
- *The fence was damaged by wind.*
- *The fence was damaged.*

**Also accept**

- *The fence got damaged by (the) wind.*
- *The fence got damaged.*

**Do not accept** a change to the verb or tense, e.g.

- *The fence is damaged.*
- *The fence was destroyed.*

**Do not accept** misspellings of verb forms.

1 mark

**Q11.**

**Award 1 mark** for an explanation that there are three named people in the second sentence, e.g.

- *In the second one there are three people called Jake, Thomas and Lily.*
- *There are more people in the second sentence.*
- *In the first one, there are two people and in the second one there are three.*
- *1. Two people 2. Three people*

**Also accept** responses that demonstrate understanding without referring to the second sentence, e.g.

- *There are only two people called Jake Thomas and Lily in the first sentence.*
- *In the first one, Thomas is Jake's surname and not another person.*

**Do not accept** responses that do not explain specifically how the meaning has changed, e.g.

- *It uses it for a list.*
- *It changes the number of people.*

**There are no spelling or punctuation requirements for this question.**

**1 mark**

**Q12.**

**Award 1 mark** for the correct box ticked.

Our parents always say, "Work hard and do your best."

**1 mark**

**Q13.**

**Award 1 mark** for the correct box ticked.

a possessive pronoun

**1 mark**

**Q14.**

**Award 1 mark** for *subordinate clause* or an abbreviation that makes the intention clear, e.g.

- *subordinate*
- *sub clause*
- *subordinating*

**There are no spelling or punctuation requirements for this question.**

**1 mark**

**Q15.**

**Award 1 mark** for the correct box ticked.

I will be running a half marathon – 13 miles – next week!

1 mark

**Q16.**

**Award 1 mark** for a correctly placed pair of brackets.

Using public transport (such as buses and trains) can reduce pollution.

1 mark

**Q17.**

**Award 1 mark** for a correctly placed semi-colon.

Frank would like to go to Cornwall next summer; he might also visit France in the spring.

1 mark

**Q18.**

**Award 1 mark** for an appropriate relative pronoun written in lower case, i.e.

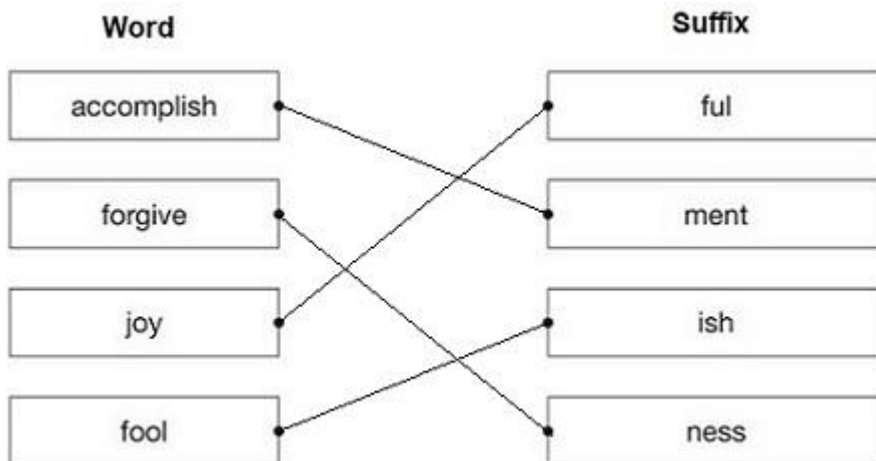
- Everyone loved the music that was played last night.
- Everyone loved the music which was played last night.

**Do not accept** misspellings.

1 mark

**Q19.**

**Award 1 mark** for all **four** lines correctly drawn.



1 mark

**Q20.**

**Award 1 mark** for the adverb identified.

We all sang loudly in assembly.