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SATS Paper 1
Practice
Test

Questions



INSTRUCTIONS FOR STUDENTS

**PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY BEFORE PROCEEDING WITH
THE PRACTICE TEST PAPER IN THIS BOOKLET.**

Questions & Answers

In the Practice Test Paper in this booklet, your grammar, punctuation and spelling are assessed. The Paper contains different types of questions for you to answer in different ways.

Each question heading will make it clear to you what type of answer is needed, including the following:

- Multiple-Choice Answers
- Short Written Answers
- Ticking Boxes
- Circling or Underlining Words
- Connecting Boxes
- Filling in Boxes

Marks

Beside each question, on the right-hand side of the page, you will find a number followed by the words 'mark' or 'marks'. This tells you the maximum number of marks each answer is worth.

Time

You have 45 minutes to complete the Paper. Work through it as quickly, but as carefully, as you can. If you finish before the 45 minutes are up, go back and check your work.

Good luck!

KS2 SATS YEAR 6 ENGLISH

PAPER 1: QUESTIONS

ENGLISH GRAMMAR, PUNCTUATION & SPELLING

PRACTICE TEST PAPER

FIRST NAME: _____

MIDDLE NAME: _____

LAST NAME: _____

DATE OF BIRTH: _____

SCHOOL NAME: _____

TOTAL SCORE: _____ / 50

1 Insert a **comma** in the correct place in the following sentence.

Before she crossed the busy road Lucy looked both ways.

1 mark

2 Show which sentence must end with a **question mark**.

Tick one.

We don't know where John is hiding

What a clever hiding place

Where John is hiding is a mystery

Where is John's hiding place

1 mark

3 The prefix dis- can be used with the root word place to make the word **displace**. Tick the meaning of the word **displace**.

Tick one.

to put in the wrong place

to change the place of

to put in place

to take the place of

1 mark

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

SENTENCE	Question	Statement	Command
Have you ever seen a cuckoo			
The cuckoo is a migratory bird			
One thing the cuckoo likes to eat is hairy caterpillars			
Try to protect this endangered bird			

1 mark

5 Add two **commas** to the following sentence to make it clear Mrs Patel enjoys four things.

Mrs Patel enjoys reading music painting and photography.

1 mark

6 Tick the **adverb** in the following sentence.

Tick one.

When the ugly ogre unexpectedly appeared, the cowardly people fled in all directions.

1 mark

7 Insert a **pair of commas** in the correct place in the following sentence.

Our cat which has just had kittens is four years old.

1 mark

8 Show which sentence is grammatically correct.

Tick one.

Yesterday, she will attend her cousin's wedding.

Last weekend, we went to a street party.

Tomorrow, it has been your birthday.

In a year's time, my brother is being eighteen.

1 mark

9 Show which word is a **synonym** of the verb commence.

Tick one.

start

beginning

resume

finish

1 mark

10 Identify the sentence that is a **command**.

Tick one.

He needs to borrow that book from the library.

I must remember to go to the library.

Don't forget to return your library books.

The library will close in half an hour.

1 mark

11

Draw a line to match each **prefix** to a word to make **four** different words. Use each prefix only once.

Prefix

Word

mis

tend

pre

rail

de

take

im

part

1 mark

12

Show which option completes the sentence in the **past perfect**.

Once the wind _____, the sun came out.

Tick one.

was dropping

has dropped

dropped

had dropped

1 mark

13 Show which sentence is written in **Standard English**.

Tick one.

I don't want no one to help me.

It was hard for me to learn my times tables.

He has teached his parrot to talk.

Mike should of done his errands by now.

1 mark

14 Identify the sentence that uses a **dash** correctly.

Tick one.

Some children didn't want to play in the snow — they quickly changed their minds.

Some children — didn't want to play in the snow they quickly changed their minds.

Some children didn't want to play — in the snow they quickly changed their minds.

Some children didn't want — to play in the snow they quickly changed their minds.

1 mark

15 Identify the grammatical term for the underlined part of the sentence.

The runners all lined up before the race started.

Tick one.

a main clause

an adverbial

a noun phrase

a subordinate clause

1 mark

16 Show which sentence must **not** end with an **exclamation mark**.

Tick one.

What dreadful weather

How dreadful the weather is today

When will this dreadful weather end

You can't imagine how dreadful the weather has been

1 mark

17 Insert a **colon** in the correct place in the following sentence.

Rick has only one dream to take part in the Olympics.

1 mark

18 Show which sentence uses the underlined word as a **noun**.

Tick one.

The plumber decided to stop for a tea break.

Ali always brushes his teeth after meals.

Dad gave me some very sound advice.

Our history teacher knows all about the Vikings.

1 mark

19 Show which sentence is punctuated correctly.

Tick one.

Once, you have finished your homework tidy your room.

Once you have finished your homework, tidy your room.

Once you have finished, your homework tidy your room.

Once, you have finished your homework, tidy your room.

1 mark

20 Explain how the use of the **modal verb** changes the meaning of the second sentence.

- (a) Chloe and her brother enjoy skiing in Switzerland.
(b) Chloe and her brother may enjoy skiing in Switzerland.

1 mark

21 Identify the **word class** of the underlined word in the following sentence.

George still hasn't had his hair cut.

Tick one.

- adjective
- conjunction
- adverb
- determiner

1 mark

22 Insert a **subordinating conjunction** to show that Joel read a book about dinosaurs and was on the train at the same time.

Joel read a book about dinosaurs _____ he was on the train.

1 mark

23 Complete the following sentence with a **noun** formed from the verb explain.

Betty's boss demanded an immediate _____ for her lateness.

1 mark

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

Titus and Lavinia were being chased by a large, angry centaur. The children ran as fast

as possible, but the centaur was rapidly gaining ground. Would the creature be able

to catch the children?

1 mark

25 Show which sentence is the most **formal**.

Tick one.

Cyclists ought to wear a helmet when cycling.

It's a good idea to wear a helmet when you ride your bike.

Make sure you wear your helmet when riding your bicycle.

It is recommended that helmets be worn when cycling.

1 mark

26 Mr Chang wants to know when the train to Leeds arrives. Write the **question** he could ask to find out. Remember to punctuate your sentence correctly.

1 mark

27 Underline the **subject** of the following sentence.

Last week, some solar panels were installed on our roof.

1 mark

28

Write the name of the punctuation mark that could be used instead of commas in the following sentence.

Now, provided the sun keeps shining, we've got everything we need for a great picnic.

1 mark

29

Circle the most **formal** option in each of the following boxes to complete the advert.

Health and Fitness is over the moon
happy
delighted to announce the opening

of its state-of-the-art
newfangled
trendy leisure centre.

Come and sign up
enrol
join today.

1 mark

30

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

SENTENCE	Singular	Plural
You should not interfere with other <u>people's</u> belongings.		
The <u>sun's</u> fierce rays beat down on the desert sand.		
Our dog chased the <u>Smiths'</u> cat round the garden.		

1 mark

31 Write the **word class** of each underlined word in the spaces provided.

Jennie is a hard worker.

Jennie always works hard.

1 mark

32 Show which sentence is the most **formal**.

Tick one.

Make sure you're not late.

It is crucial that you arrive on time.

You will be sorry if you do not come.

She promised to try her best.

1 mark

33 Circle the four **prepositions** in the following sentence.

On Monday, a thief escaped arrest by climbing through a window and

clambering over a garden wall.

1 mark

34 Insert one **hyphen** and one **comma** in the correct places in the following sentence.

Agatha Christie was an extremely prolific best selling crime writer.

1 mark

35 Explain how the position of the **apostrophe** changes the meaning of the second sentence.

(i) Why are the girl's shoes still on the table?

(ii) Why are the girls' shoes still on the table?

1 mark

36 Show which **two** sentences use punctuation to show parenthesis.

Tick two.

Mount Everest, in the Himalayas, was first climbed by Sir Edmund Hillary.

Captain Scott was disappointed — Amundsen reached the South Pole before him.

Born in Genoa, Christopher Columbus was a trader, explorer and navigator.

Angel Falls — the world's highest waterfall — is in Venezuela. 1 mark

37 Underline the **relative clause** in each of the following sentences.

That key that opens the cupboard is rather rusty.

The lovely gift shop where I bought Tania's present has closed down.

This is an animated film which will appeal to children of all ages and their parents.

1 mark

38 Rewrite the underlined verbs in the **simple past** tense.

Every year, Jeremiah's Uncle Fred and Aunt Phyllis fly to South Africa where they

spend the winter months.

1 mark

39 Name the grammatical term for the underlined words in the following sentence.

The red sports car outside our house belongs to my brother's friend, Marcus.

1 mark

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

SENTENCE	Active	Passive
Bananas are grown in the Caribbean.		
The cows have been grazing in the meadow.		
Penguins can be found in Antarctica.		

1 mark

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

Jared asked if he could go to the mall with his friends.

Jared asked, _____

1 mark

42 Circle the **possessive pronoun** in the following sentence.

When our pet rabbit, Flopsy, disappeared last weekend, Oliver and I looked everywhere; it took us several hours to find her.

1 mark

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

The cricket team lost the match. One of their fielders dropped a catch.

1 mark

44 Underline the **adverbial** in the following sentence.

The following week, our enemy's army began its preparations for war.

1 mark

45 Circle the **relative pronoun** in the following sentence.

The clothes which we no longer need can be taken to the charity shop.

1 mark

46 Add a **suffix** to the words in the boxes to complete the sentences below.

Be careful! That snake is _____, isn't it?

poison

No one could believe the results of the _____.

elect

1 mark

47 Circle each word that should begin with a **capital letter** in the following sentence.

last tuesday, when we went to london, we visited the houses of parliament

and saw an exhibition of spanish paintings.

1 mark

48 Circle the four **verbs** in the following passage.

There were big, black clouds gathering overhead.

Suddenly, lightning lit up the sky and thunder boomed loudly.

1 mark

49 Rewrite the underlined verb in the following sentence so it is in the **present progressive**.

Eric wore an old pair of blue jeans.

1 mark

50 Underline the **subordinate clause** in the following sentence.

As soon as he saw the stationary lorry on the line, the train driver
panicked: what on earth should he do?

1 mark

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