

1. Which sentence is the most **formal**?

Tick **one**.

The way they played was terrible, wasn't it?

I wish they'd put a little more effort in today!

If only they'd tried a bit harder, they would've won.

The team were defeated due to mistakes that they made.

1 mark

2. Complete the sentence below with a **contraction** that makes sense.

I don't think _____ going to come.

1 mark

3. Complete each sentence below with **is** or **are**.

The good news _____ that the trip can still go ahead.

The fishermen _____ repairing the boat.

The number of books available _____ increasing.

1 mark

4. There is an apostrophe missing from the sentence below.

I havent finished my project yet but I will do it by Monday.

Write the correct **contraction** in the box.

1 mark

5. Which sentence is written in Standard English?

Tick **one**.

I went to the library and done my homework.

They seen their friends at the cinema.

I been to the circus with my aunt and uncle.

I sang with the school choir in the concert.

1 mark

6. There is an error in the sentence below. Write the correction in the box.

The confused cyclist weren't sure where to go.

1 mark

7.

Circle the correct form of the **verb** in each set of brackets.

(creeps / creep)

The cheetah _____ after its prey.

(produces / produce)

Skunks _____ a very smelly spray that repels most predators.

(protects / protect)

The mother bear _____ her young.

1 mark

8.

Circle one verb in each underlined pair to complete the sentences using **Standard English**.

We was / were planning to hold a cake sale at school.

I was / were chosen to design the posters.

1 mark

9.

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

The last place I saw Jack and Gwen was / were in the playground.

At the museum, there was / were many interesting exhibits.

The bikes was / were lined up for the start of the race.

1 mark

10. Which sentence is the most **formal**?

Tick **one**.

Watching too much television should be avoided.

You shouldn't watch too much TV.

Watching lots of TV isn't a good idea.

You really should try not to watch loads of telly.

1 mark

11. Which sentence is the most **formal**?

Tick **one**.

We can't keep your things here, as there's no room.

It is essential that you take all your belongings with you.

Please pack up all your stuff before you leave.

It's time to get all your bits and pieces together.

1 mark

12.

Some words have been underlined in the sentence below.

My mum promised she would help me with my homework.

Use a **contraction** to replace the underlined words.

My mum promised _____ help me with my homework.

1 mark

13.

An error is underlined in the sentence below.

I have told you before, I hasn't got any money!

Write the correction in the box.

1 mark

14.

Which sentence is the most **formal**?

Tick **one**.

Your presence is requested at the wedding of our daughter.

You would like to come to our daughter's wedding, wouldn't you?

We'd love you to join us for our daughter's wedding.

Our daughter's getting married – please come!

1 mark

15. Circle the most **formal** option in each box below to complete the invitation.

We would like to invite you to a

catch-up
celebration
get-together

to mark this

fab
really cool
momentous

occasion.

It will

start up
commence
kick off

at 5pm.

1 mark

16. Underline the sentence that is the most **formal** in the passage below.

Hope you can make it to my birthday party next week! It's going to be great! The venue is yet to be confirmed. I'm still checking out a couple of places.

1 mark

17. Which sentence is written in **Standard English**?

Tick **one**.

Two sports teams come to our school yesterday.

My friend was tidying the classroom.

Today the children done their school play.

The teachers was going to send a letter next week.

1 mark

18. Tick one box in each row to show whether the sentence is written in **Standard** or **non-Standard English**.

Sentence	Standard English	Non-Standard English
I were going to keep the picture to show you.		
We was helping to design the new school building.		
He doesn't know nothing about football.		
I have done all the washing-up.		

1 mark

19. Which sentence is the most formal?

Tick **one**.

Getting enough sleep is important, isn't it?

Let's set off early for school tomorrow.

Do you fancy coming with us to the park?

It is essential that we remember our water bottles.

1 mark

20. Circle the correct word in each underlined pair to complete the sentences below using **Standard English**.

The autumn leaves was / were crunching beneath our feet as we walked along.

We done / did a great job in picking the juiciest fruit for our pie.

My brother didn't do anything / nothing to help us.

1 mark

21. Circle the correct word in each box to complete the sentences in **Standard English**.

Pass me

them
those

 cartons, please.

You sang that song very

good.
well.

We always

did
done

our homework on time.

1 mark

22.

Which sentence is the most **formal**?

Tick **one**.

I asked him to phone me when he got here.

I told him to call me as soon as he turned up.

I got him to ring me when he came in.

I requested that he telephone me on arrival.

1 mark

Mark schemes

- 1.** **Award 1 mark** for the correct box ticked.
- The team were defeated due to mistakes that they made
- 1 mark**

- 2.** Accept any suitable contraction, eg:
- I don't think he's / they're / I'm / she's / Jane's / it's going to come.
- The apostrophe must be placed correctly and the word spelt correctly.
- Also accept** additional words, eg:
- the teacher's, the train's*
- 1 mark**

- 3.** **Award 1 mark** for three correct sentences.
- The good news is that the trip can still go ahead.
- The fishermen are repairing the boat.
- The number of books available is increasing.
- 1 mark**

- 4.** **Award 1 mark** for the contraction:
- haven't*
- For the award of the mark**, the apostrophe must be placed correctly and the word spelt correctly.
- Also accept** responses that include capital letters.
- Also accept** 'I'll' as correct contraction of 'I will'.
- 1 mark**

- 5.**
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- I sang with the school choir in the concert.
- 1 mark**

6. wasn't **OR** was not **OR** cyclists

Do not accept changes of tense, eg:

- *isn't*

1 mark

7. The cheetah creeps after its prey.

Skunks produce a very smelly spray that repels most predators.

The mother bear protects her young.

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

1 mark

8. **Award 1 mark** for **two** correct words encircled.

We was / were planning to hold a cake sale at school.

I was / were chosen to design the posters.

1 mark

9. **Award 1 mark** for the correct words encircled.

The last place I saw Jack and Gwen was / were in the playground.

At the museum, there was / were many interesting exhibits.

The bikes was / were lined up for the start of the race.

1 mark

10. Watching too much television should be avoided.

1 mark

11. It is essential that you take all your belongings with you.

1 mark

12. My mum promised she'd help me with my homework.

The apostrophe must be placed correctly and the word spelt correctly.

1 mark

13.

haven't

Also accept 'have not'.

1 mark

14.

Your presence is requested at the wedding of our daughter.

1 mark

15.

Award 1 mark for the correct word encircled in each box.

catch-up
<u>celebration</u>
get-together

fab
really cool
<u>momentous</u>

start up
<u>commence</u>
kick off

1 mark

16.

Award 1 mark for the correctly underlined words.

Hope you can make it to my birthday party next week! It's going to be great! The venue is yet to be confirmed. I'm still checking out a couple of places.

1 mark

17.

My friend was tidying the classroom.

1 mark

18.

Award 1 mark for all four correct.

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I were going to keep the picture to show you.		✓
We was helping to design the new school building.		✓
He doesn't know nothing about football.		✓
I have done all the washing-up.	✓	

1 mark

19.

It is essential that we remember our water bottles.

1 mark

20.

Award 1 mark for all **three** correct

The autumn leaves was / were crunching beneath our feet as we walked along.

We done / did a great job in picking the juiciest fruit for our pie.

My brother didn't do anything / nothing to help us.

1 mark

21.

Award 1 mark for the correct word circled in each box.

them
<u>those</u>

good.
<u>well.</u>

<u>did</u>
done

1 mark

22.

I requested that he telephone me on arrival.

1 mark