



NATIONAL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM  
LITERACY AND NUMERACY

# LANGUAGE CONVENTIONS

YEAR

3

2008

## TEST INSTRUCTIONS

1. You must do your own work.
2. Do not speak to other students during the test.
3. Raise your hand if you need to speak to the teacher.
4. Follow all directions given to you by the teacher.
5. All questions must be answered using the pencil you have been given. If you need to change an answer, carefully erase it and write another answer.
6. To confirm you have the correct booklet, print your name below.

Print your name here:

0:40

Time available for students to complete  
test: 40 minutes

Use 2B  
pencil **only**



# YEAR 3 LANGUAGE CONVENTIONS

The spelling mistakes in these sentences have been circled.  
Write the correct spelling for each circled word in the box.

1 Simon doesn't lik eating carrots.

1

2 Please opun the door.

2

3 Anna has broun hair and blue eyes.

3

4 Many dogs are good at swiming .

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5 We ran arownd the oval.

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6 I am visiting my frends .

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7 The ball craked the glass.

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8 My brother thinks he is grate on  
a skateboard.

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9 The dog was noisy and barkt a lot.

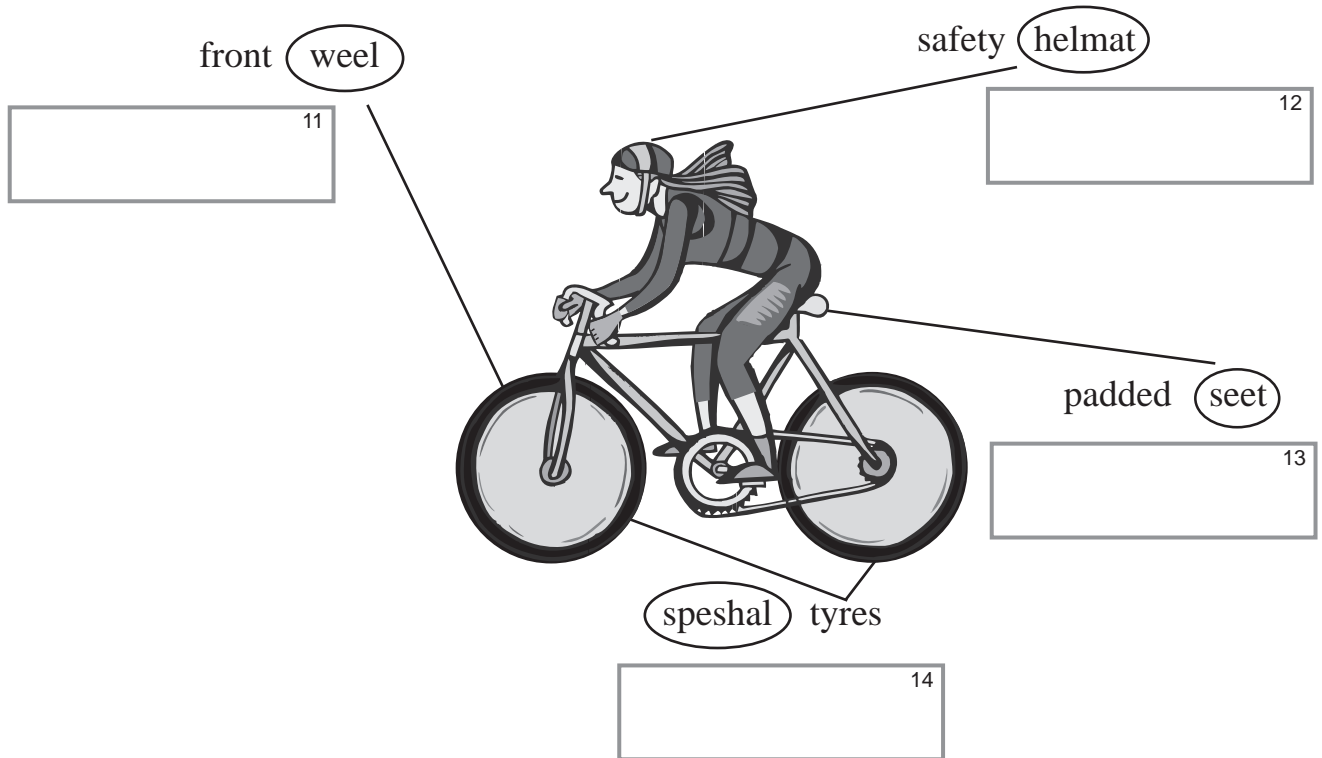
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10 My mum cumplained about the noise.

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# YEAR 3 LANGUAGE CONVENTIONS

The spelling mistakes on these labels have been circled. Write the correct spelling for each circled word in the box.



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

Peter

Peter knew he coud look after

 15

a baby animel, so he was very happy

 16

with his birthday present.

 17

It was a cute fluffy litle puppy.

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# YEAR 3 LANGUAGE CONVENTIONS

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

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cells. Blood carries oxegen to the cells

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to keep them working propley.

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Read the text about *The Game*.

Each line has one word that is incorrect.

Write the correct spelling of the word in the box.

## The Game

The football mach was about to start.

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All our supporters were yelling lowdly,

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hopping our team would win.

24

Before half-time the rain started to pore down.

25

# YEAR 3 LANGUAGE CONVENTIONS

26 Which of the following correctly completes the sentence?

Shade one bubble.



Mum gave it to .

he

his

him

himself

27 Which of the following correctly completes the sentence?

The girl  hello.

say

said

sayed

were saying

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

I came home late from school because of the rain



29 Which of the following correctly completes the sentence?

Jenny will arrive home  Sunday.

in

on

at

until

30 Which of the following correctly completes the sentence?

Isn't it a nice day  ?

today

yesterday

next week

last week

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

John's new bike was red and silver Mike wished he had one like it.



Shade one bubble.



32 Which of the following correctly completes the sentence?

The boy  was camping next to us said hello.

who

what

which

why

33 Which of the following correctly completes the sentence?

The team ran  the oval.

after

between

onto

with

34 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.

# YEAR 3 LANGUAGE CONVENTIONS

The writing below has some gaps.  
Choose the best option to fill in each of the gaps.  
Shade the bubble to show your answer.

## Eggs

I am hopeless at boiling eggs.

If I want them to  soft

and runny  they

end  really hard-boiled.

If I want hard eggs,  turn

out all  I always

get a surprise  I eat

my boiled eggs.

Shade one bubble  
on each line.



be            been            being

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.            ?            !            ,

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at            up            in            of

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it            them            they            their

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watery.            watery'            watery?            watery

39

how            why            that            when

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# YEAR 3 LANGUAGE CONVENTIONS

41 Which of the following correctly completes the sentence?

I went in  car.

Mum's

Mums

Mums'

Mum's'

Shade one bubble.



42 Which sentence has the correct punctuation?

football is a popular game

Football is a popular game

Football is a popular game.

Football is a popular Game.

43 Which of the following correctly completes the sentence?

I was  at dawn.

woke

waken

woken

waked

44 Which of the following correctly completes the sentence?

I  camping before.

never been

had never been

never gone

# YEAR 3 LANGUAGE CONVENTIONS

45 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.

Shade one bubble.



46 Which of the following correctly completes the sentence?

My cold is  than it was last week.

worse

worser

badder

more bad

47 Which of the following correctly completes the sentence?

He had an  bowl of soup.

big

large

gigantic

enormous

48 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.

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49 Shade one bubble to show where the missing speech mark (“ or ”) should go.



Hurry up or we'll miss the bus," said Liam to Kim.

Shade one bubble.



50 Which of the following correctly completes the sentence?

She was sick  her dog's naughty behaviour.

because

of

by

as



## END OF TEST

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meant to be blank.**

# YEAR 3 LANGUAGE CONVENTIONS PRACTICE QUESTIONS

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

Shade one bubble.



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



P6 The writing below has some gaps.  
Choose the best option to fill in each of the gaps.  
Shade the bubble to show your answer.

I have  dog.

- a                       if                       he                       she

name is Zoe.

- They                       Her                       Who                       You

Shade one bubble on each line.

