



NATIONAL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM  
LITERACY AND NUMERACY

# LANGUAGE CONVENTIONS

YEAR

**5**

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 5 LANGUAGE CONVENTIONS

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

1 Many dogs are good at swiming .

2 Seven is my lucky numba .

3 I am visiting my frends .

4 My brother thinks he is grate on a skateboard.

5 My mum compeated in the Olympic Games.

6 Mr Jones is a populor teacher.

7 I like vanila ice cream the best.

8 Your heart is a muscel that pumps blood.

9 We have sent astronots to explore the moon.

10 We saw him going in the oposit direction.

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

sholder strap 11

power butten 12

special effeks control 13

vollume control 14

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

 15

cells. Blood carries oxegen to the cells

 16

to keep them working propley.

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Each sentence has one word that is incorrect.  
Write the correct spelling of the word in the box.

18 It's been raining sinse Monday.

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19 There are many members of the lizerd family.

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20 I'd like to clime mountains.

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21 I don't like the taist of strawberries.

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22 I heard a different vershion of the story.

22

23 My mum is training to run in a marothan.

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24 I need to do some exercise to improve my fittnes.

24

25 We were disapointed when we had to leave early.

25

# YEAR 5 LANGUAGE CONVENTIONS

26 Which of the following correctly completes the sentence?

Shade one bubble.



“Why did you  a red car?” David asked.

buy

bought

buying

brought

27 Which of the following correctly completes the sentence?

Bella knew  her mother would be pleased.

but

that

what

which

28 Which of the following correctly completes the sentence?

Mum, Grandma and my cousin  on a trip.

goes

goed

is going

are going

29 Which of the following correctly completes the sentence?

The library was quiet  I tiptoed.

so

but

except

in case

30 Which of the following correctly completes the sentence?

Marcia’s birthday is  March.

in

on

at

for

# YEAR 5 LANGUAGE CONVENTIONS

31 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.

Shade one bubble.



32 Some punctuation marks have been left out of the text below.

Shade one bubble to show the best place to put the question mark ( ? ).

“Hey it’s fine today Do you want to play tennis I’m going outside now”



33 Which of the following correctly completes the sentence?

The bell            loudly.

ring



rang



rung



ringed



34 Which sentence has the correct punctuation?

- Why didn’t you bring your cap asked John.
- “Why didn’t you bring your cap” asked John.
- “why didn’t you bring your cap?” asked John.
- “Why didn’t you bring your cap?” asked John.

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35 Which of the following correctly completes the sentence?

Shade one bubble.



I was  at dawn.

woke

waken

woken

waked

36 Which of the following correctly completes the sentence?

Hurry up  we'll miss the bus!

or

so

and

before

37 Which of the following correctly completes the sentence?

Her name was Rosie so the roses must be  for her.

meanted

meant

meaned

meaning

38 Which one of the following is correct?

- My sister didn't have any money. Or did I.
- My sister didn't have any money. Either did I.
- My sister didn't have any money. Neither did I.
- My sister didn't have any money. Nor neither did I.

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39 Which sentence has the correct punctuation?

- He said to be quick, so we ran.
- He said "to be quick, so we ran."
- He said to be "quick, so we ran."
- He said "To be quick, so we ran."

Shade one bubble.



40 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.

41 Which of the following correctly completes the sentence?

He had an            bowl of soup.

- |                       |                       |                       |                       |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| big                   | large                 | gigantic              | enormous              |
| <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

42 Which sentence has the correct punctuation?

- Dad said Time for bed.
- "Dad said" Time for bed.
- Dad said, "time for bed."
- Dad said, "Time for bed."

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43 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.

Shade one bubble.



44 Shade **two** bubbles to show where the missing speech marks ( “ ” ) should go.



“Hey, Bill, have you heard the news? said Donna. We have a holiday on Friday.”

Shade two bubbles.



45 Shade one bubble to show where the missing apostrophe ( ’ ) should go.



After dinner, Dads job was to wash the dishes while Mark and his sisters walked the dogs.

Shade one bubble.



46 Which sentence is correct?

- They were carrying things upstairs and stack them on the floor.
- They were carried things upstairs and stacked them on the floor.
- They were carried things upstairs and stacking them on the floor.
- They were carrying things upstairs and stacking them on the floor.

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47 Which of the following correctly completes the sentence?

Max insisted  for a swim.

to go

going

on going

in going

Shade one bubble.



48 Which of the following correctly completes the sentence?

She was sick  her dog's naughty behaviour.

because

of

by

as

49 Which sentence has the correct punctuation?

- When Dad asked Li, "How was school?", she just shrugged.
- When Dad asked Li, "How was school", she just shrugged.
- When Dad asked Li, "How was school?", she just shrugged.
- When Dad asked Li, "How was school?", She just shrugged.

50 Shade **two** bubbles to show where the missing commas ( , ) should go.

Recent surveys some carried out by independent groups indicate



that most people would prefer more daylight-saving time.



Shade two bubbles.



## END OF TEST

# YEAR 5 LANGUAGE CONVENTIONS

**This page is  
meant to be blank.**

# YEAR 5 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

