

Week 1 – questions

1. Circle each word that should begin with a **capital letter** in the sentence below.

the united states of america comprises fifty-two states including california, north carolina and the islands of hawaii.

1 mark

CHALLENGE: Explain which words must have a capital and why.

Week 1 – questions

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

1) re

2) pre

3) mis

4) ir

responsible

inform

take

book

1 mark

CHALLENGE: List as many words as you can for each of the prefixes above.

Week 1 – questions

3. Rewrite the sentence below, adding a **relative clause**.

Remember to punctuate your sentence correctly.

The teacher strode down the corridor.

1 mark

CHALLENGE: Now rewrite your sentence, adding a relative clause in a different position.

Week 2 – questions

1. Tick **one** box in each row to show whether the underlined word is being used as a **subordinating conjunction** or a **preposition**.

Sentence	Subordinating conjunction	Preposition
<u>Before</u> long, the children had arrived.		
Tidy your room <u>before</u> your aunt arrives.		
<u>After</u> the rain stopped, we went outside to play.		
Where will you go <u>after</u> lunch?		

1 mark

CHALLENGE: Write a sentence which uses 'until' as a subordinating conjunction.

Week 2 – questions

2. Insert a **comma** in the sentence below to make it clear that **only** the linesmen and the referee warmed up.

While we watched the footballers the linesmen and the referee warmed up.

1 mark

CHALLENGE: Where should you insert commas to make it clear that all of the people warmed up?

Week 2 – questions

3. Circle the **two** words in the sentence that are **synonyms** of each other.

Beth was desperate to keep her secret den concealed; the tree house was veiled by a dense shroud of leaves which hung protectively around it.

1 mark

CHALLENGE: Write an antonym for dense.

Week 3 – questions

1. Which sentence uses the underlined word as a **noun**?

Tick **one**

Dogs come in all shapes and sizes.

Authors spend a long time planning their writing.

Where is my orange pen?

Please book us tickets for the show.

1 mark

CHALLENGE: Write two sentences: one which uses 'rose' as a verb and one which uses 'rose' as a noun.

Week 3 – questions

2. Max wants to know whether the film is showing at the cinema tomorrow.
Write the question that he could ask to find out.

Remember to punctuate your sentence correctly.

1 mark

CHALLENGE: Write a question which could have the answer yesterday.

Week 3 – questions

3. Write the correct label in each box.

Adverb A	Adjective B	Determiner C	Verb D
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The delayed plane was soon ready to take off.

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1 mark

CHALLENGE: Add a subordinate clause to the sentence.

Week 4 – questions

1. Which **two** sentences use punctuation to show **parenthesis**?

Tick **two**

Last night, we went to the theatre.

Although we were late, we managed to get a seat, some popcorn and a drink.

Our seats, in the middle of the row, gave us a perfect view.

All of us – including my mum – enjoyed it very much.

1 mark

**CHALLENGE: Change the first sentence so that it is written in the present progressive tense.
You may change some of the words.**

Week 4 – questions

2. Underline the **subject** of the sentence below.

The ballroom dancer spun elegantly around the dance floor.

1 mark

CHALLENGE: Add a relative clause to the sentence above.

Week 4 – questions

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

It was obvious he couldn't do it.

I suggested that he be excused from the lesson.

She was really desperate to get cracking with the task.

It's impossible to tell whether it's raining or not.

Tick **one**

1 mark

CHALLENGE: Identify the verb forms or tenses in each of the sentences.

Week 5 – questions

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

It was _____ to see the puppy left out in the cold.

↑
pity

Her _____ was plain to see as the plate was beautifully decorated.

↑
creative

1 mark

***CHALLENGE: How many different suffixes can you list?
Identify two root words which each of them can be added to.***

Week 5 – questions

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

After Jemma had borrowed my pencil for the third time, I asked her if she knew where hers was.

1 mark

CHALLENGE: Write a sentence with a group of words that could be replaced by the possessive pronoun mine.

Week 5 – questions

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

Tick **one**

After a while, the children was too tired to run any more.

Once the rain come, the match was postponed.

The time had come for them to take their places.

They done their best but it wasn't good enough.

1 mark

CHALLENGE: Identify the subordinating conjunction and the coordinating conjunction in the sentences above.

Week 6 – questions

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

I wore a lime green dress with a bow around the middle.

1 mark

CHALLENGE: Write an explanation for the function of a semi-colon.

Week 6 – questions

2. Rewrite the underlined verb in the sentence below so that it is in the **present progressive**.

I threw the ball.



1 mark

CHALLENGE: Add an adverbial phrase to the sentence above.

Week 6 – questions

3. Insert a **semi-colon** and a **comma** into the sentence below.

Her father wiped his brow it was going to be a long tiring night.

1 mark

CHALLENGE: Write an explanation for the function of a comma.

Week 7 – questions

1. Which sentence **must** end with an exclamation mark?

Tick **one**

That show was brilliant

What an amazing day that was

Please wipe your feet carefully

I have never seen anything so funny

1 mark

CHALLENGE: List the adjectives in the sentences above.

Week 7 – questions

2. Draw lines to match each sentence with its **function**.

1) It's chilly out there, isn't it

question

2) How interesting that assembly was

statement

3) The facts about volcanoes were incredible

command

4) Now, don't get mud on the floor

exclamation

1 mark

CHALLENGE: Rewrite the statement as a question.

Week 7 – questions

3. Tick **one** box in each row to show whether the **apostrophe** has been used for **omission** or **possession**.

Sentence	Apostrophe used for omission	Apostrophe used for possession
1) It's a shame we have to leave.		
2) Where are Olivia's shoes?		
3) The girls' bags were missing.		

1 mark

CHALLENGE: Explain how the position of the apostrophe for possession changes to show whether the noun is singular or plural.

Week 8 – questions

1. What is the **word class** of each underlined word?

The penguins waddled wearily through the blizzard. _____

The weary penguins waddled through the blizzard. _____

1 mark

CHALLENGE: Give a synonym for weary.

Week 8 – questions

2. Which option completes the sentence below in the **present perfect**?

Although she _____ her P.E. kit, she will still be able to play football.

Tick **one**

had forgotten

forgot

has forgotten

was forgetting

1 mark

CHALLENGE: Identify the main clause in the sentence above.

Week 8 – questions

3. Explain why a **colon** has been used in the sentence below.

The Roman army was divided into two groups: legionaries and auxiliaries.

1 mark

CHALLENGE: Identify all the determiners in the sentence above.

Week 9 – questions

1. Circle the **relative pronoun** in the sentence below.

The house that stood on the corner had been empty for some time.

1 mark

CHALLENGE: Identify the tense of the verb had been in the sentence above.

Week 9 – questions

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

Sentence	Active	Passive
a) Nobody saw the fox by the fence.		
b) The leaves were eaten by the caterpillars.		
c) The results were announced.		

1 mark

CHALLENGE: Rewrite a passive sentence in the active.

Week 9 – questions

3. Rewrite the two sentences below as one sentence using a **co-ordinating conjunction**.

Remember to punctuate your sentence correctly.

We know that you must be tired. We will let you rest.

1 mark

CHALLENGE: Identify all the modal verbs in the sentences above.

Week 10 – questions

1. The sentence below has a **hyphen** missing. Insert it and then explain why the hyphen is needed.

The cold hearted ice queen banished her stepdaughter from the realm.

2 marks

CHALLENGE: Give an antonym for the word banished.

Week 10 – questions

2. Draw lines to match the underlined part of each sentence with its **grammatical term**.

1) I took my dog to the vet.

an adverbial

2) I learn judo at the club that is in the high street.

a noun phrase

3) The yellow racket with the broken string is mine.

a main clause

4) Once the eggs are cooked, we can have dinner.

a relative clause

1 mark

CHALLENGE: Identify all the prepositions in the sentences above.

Week 10 – questions

3. Which sentence is punctuated correctly?

Tick **one**

Sadly, for us the wind and rain ruined our day.

Sadly for us, the wind, and rain ruined our day.

Sadly for us, the wind and rain ruined our day.

Sadly for us the wind, and rain ruined our day.

1 mark

CHALLENGE: Rewrite the sentence above in the passive.

Week 11 – questions

1. Rewrite the reported speech below in **direct speech**.
Remember to punctuate your sentence correctly.

The eyewitness explained that he was shocked to see so many cows on the motorway.

1 mark

CHALLENGE: Identify the prepositional phrase in the sentence above.

Week 11 – questions

2. Which verb is an **antonym** of the verb succeed?

Tick **one**

win

fail

try

struggle

1 mark

CHALLENGE: Create a noun and an adjective derived from the verb succeed.

Week 11 – questions

3. Insert the missing **full stops** and **capital letters** into the passage below.

ayla has always been interested in how things work she asked lots of questions as a child about the workings of machines aeroplanes are her passion and she would like to be an engineer when she is older

1 mark

CHALLENGE: Circle all the nouns in the sentence above.

Week 12 – questions

1. Circle the correct **pronoun** to complete each sentence below so that it is written in **Standard English**.

Where are (them / those) socks that I bought yesterday?

He looked hard but he couldn't find (them / those) amongst the rubbish.

"I like (them / those) ones," he said to his grandmother.

1 mark

CHALLENGE: Identify all the adverbs in the sentences above.

Week 12 – questions

2. Rewrite the underlined verbs in each sentence below so that they are written in the **simple past** tense.

I am reading a book about a witch and a wizard who have to battle dark forces.



My mum is bringing me a new book home from the library.



1 mark

CHALLENGE: Rewrite each sentence in the simple present tense.

Week 12 – questions

3. Replace the underlined words in each sentence with an appropriate **contraction**.

You are not permitted to wear your football boots inside.

Unless you concentrate, I shall not help you.

Mine is the only coat left on the peg.

1 mark

CHALLENGE: Name all of the punctuation that can be used to indicate parenthesis.