

## Coverage List: English Grammar and Punctuation Practice Tests Year 3

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	<b>Terminology for pupils</b> determiner pronoun, possessive pronoun adverbial	pronoun			pronoun	determiner pronoun	determiner

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# Year 3 English Grammar and Punctuation Test 1

1. Add 'a' or 'an' to the sentence below.

1 mark

As  treat, we sometimes take  picnic to  amazing park nearby.

2. Draw lines to match the words below to the appropriate prefix.

1 mark

tele

angle

semi

vision

tri

circle

3. Underline all the **direct speech** in the sentence below.

1 mark

“Buster!” shouted Dad. “Come here, boy!”

4. Read this sentence. **Circle the adverbs.**

1 mark

Slowly and silently, the snake slithered through the grass.

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5. Look at the words in the table. Do they start with a consonant or a vowel? **Tick one option.**

Word	Starts with a consonant	Starts with a vowel
apple		
project		
elephant		
umbrella		
rollercoaster		

1 mark

6. Look at the newspaper article below. **Circle the sub-headings.**

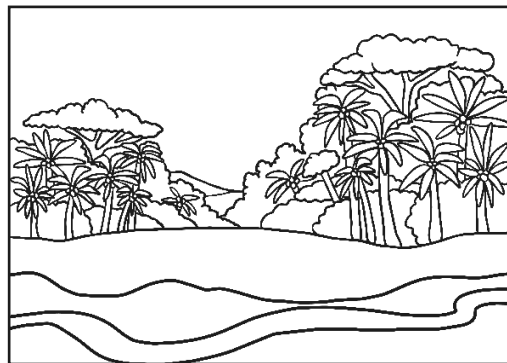
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## It's a Heatwave!

### Summer is Finally Here

As Britain swelters in the warmth of an unexpected heatwave, weather forecasters have confirmed that the hot weather is here to stay. According to Sunni Shine, chief weather reporter for the Weather Channel, temperatures look set to stay high until the end of the month.

“Today is the hottest day of the year,” said Sunni from her studio, “and we can expect more good weather – get out your BBQ!”



### Wettest May on Record

The warm weather is particularly welcome after what has been dubbed ‘Miserable May’, the wettest May since records began.

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7. Change the verb in the sentence below to use the present perfect form of the verb.

He  in Birmingham since he was very small.

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1 mark

8. Circle the preposition in this sentence.

I found my kitten hiding under the kitchen table.

1 mark

9. In which sentence is the direct speech correctly punctuated? Tick one.

- “Who did that? demanded the teacher crossly.”
- “Who did that?” demanded the teacher crossly.
- Who did that? demanded the teacher crossly.

1 mark

10. What is the root word for this family of words?

1 mark

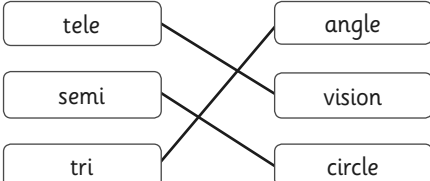
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1 As  treat, we sometimes take  picnic to  amazing park nearby. 1 mark

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tele		angle
semi		vision
tri		circle

  

  
 1 mark

3 **"Buster!"** shouted Dad. **"Come here, boy!"** 1 mark

4 **Slowly** and **silently**, the snake slithered unnoticed through the grass. 1 mark

5 1 mark

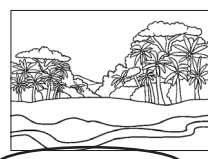
Word	Starts with a consonant	Starts with a vowel
apple		x
project	x	
elephant		x
umbrella		x
rollercoaster	x	

6 1 mark

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"Today is the hottest day of the year," said Sunni from her studio, "and we can expect more good weather – get out your BBQ!"

7 He  in Birmingham since he was very small. 1 mark

8 I found my kitten hiding **under** the kitchen table. 1 mark

9 "Who did that? demanded the teacher crossly."  1 mark

"Who did that?" demanded the teacher crossly.  x

Who did that? demanded the teacher crossly.

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## Year 3 English Grammar and Punctuation Test 2

1. **Circle the words** in the passage below **that belong to the same word family** as the verb **'care'**.

Zookeepers care for the animals they look after. They carefully plan what the animal will eat, making sure that visitors do not carelessly throw the wrong sort of food into their enclosures.

1 mark
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2. **Draw lines** to match the words below to the appropriate prefix.

1 mark
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3. **Circle the inverted commas** in the passage below.

"We need to turn left here, Dad," said Layla. "Otherwise we will end up going the wrong way again!"

"Are you sure, Layla?" asked Dad. "I'm pretty sure we need to turn right!"

1 mark
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4. Read this sentence. **Underline the subordinate clause.**

We are going to Cornwall on holiday because we like the scenery there.

1 mark

5. Look at the words in the table. Do they use 'a' or 'an' as a determiner? **Tick one option.**

Word	'a'	'an'
alligator		
factory		
unicorn		
school		
emergency		

1 mark

6. Read the passage below. **Draw an arrow** to where you think the author should have started a **new paragraph**.

Lots of children and families have pets, and dogs are very popular. In this article, we will discuss how you can best care for your pet dog and help it to live a happy life. Firstly, a dog takes quite a lot of looking after. As well as feeding it, a dog needs exercise, training and companionship.

1 mark

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7. Read the sentence below. **Circle the verb** which uses **the present perfect** form.

We have owned our cat for six years and we love her very much.

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1 mark

8. **Count the consonants** in the sentence below and put your answer in the box.

School finishes at 3.30pm.

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1 mark

9. The sentences below are missing a word. **Choose a conjunction from the box and write it in the space** to complete each sentence.

because	but	before
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I am not going to school today  I am poorly.

We went to Derbyshire to visit my aunt  we headed to Yorkshire for a few days.

I invited her to play at my house  her mum wouldn't let her come.

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1 mark

10. Choose the sub-heading which best matches the paragraph.

- Keeping your hamster clean
- Fruit and vegetables
- Feeding your hamster
- Choosing a hamster

Hamsters need fresh food and water every day. This should include a spoonful of good quality hamster cereal and a small amount of fresh fruit or vegetables. Some examples are a slice of cucumber, a small stick of carrot, a grape or a slice of apple.

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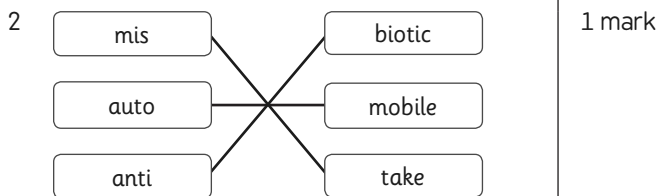
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1 Zookeepers care for the animals they look after. They carefully plan what the animal will eat, making sure that visitors do not carelessly throw the wrong sort of food into their enclosures. 1 mark



3 “We need to turn left here, Dad,” said Layla. “Otherwise we will end up going the wrong way again!”  
“Are you sure, Layla?” asked Dad. “I’m pretty sure we need to turn right!” 1 mark

4 We are going to Cornwall on holiday **because we like the scenery there.** 1 mark

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Word	‘a’	‘an’
alligator		x
factory	x	
unicorn	x	
school	x	
emergency		x

1 mark

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7 We have owned our cat for six years and we love her very much. 1 mark

8 School finishes at 3.30pm.  1 mark

9 I am not going to school today  I am poorly.  
We went to Derbyshire to visit my aunt  we headed to Yorkshire for a few days.  
I invited her to play at my house  her mum wouldn’t let her come. 1 mark

- 10 Keeping your hamster clean  1 mark
- Fruit and vegetables
- Feeding your hamster
- Choosing a hamster

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## Year 3 English Grammar and Punctuation Test 3

1. **Circle the words** in the passage below **that belong to the same word family** as the verb **'solve'**.

The detective was determined to solve this crime. There must be a solution to this complicated case. Waiting for his sugar to dissolve in his coffee, he thought about how his last case had been left unsolved and he certainly did not want that to happen again.

1 mark

2. **Circle the verb and the auxiliary verb** used in the present perfect sentence below.

My mum has been to America many times.

1 mark

3. **Circle the word** below which contains **only consonant letters**.

rhyme	rhythm	response
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1 mark

4. **Underline the direct speech** in the sentence below.

“Charlie’s project is the best in the whole class!” announced Mr Butler.

1 mark

total for this page

5. Look at the words in the table. **Tick** to show if the word is a preposition or a conjunction.

Word	Preposition	Conjunction
but		
if		
between		
because		
near		

1 mark

6. Which of these phrases use ‘a’ or ‘an’ correctly. **Circle the correct** use of ‘a’ or ‘an’.

an hamster	an orange	a unicorn	a egg
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1 mark

7. Look at the heading of the article below. **Write an alternative** heading in the box.

**Summer is finally here**

As Britain swelters in the warmth of an unexpected heatwave, weather forecasters have confirmed that the hot weather is here to stay. According to Sunni Shine, chief weather reporter for the Weather Channel, temperatures look set to stay high until the end of the month.

“Today is the hottest day of the year,” said Sunni from her studio, “and we can expect more good weather – get out your BBQ!”

1 mark

total for this page

8. **Count the vowels** in the sentence below and put your answer in the box.

Let's look at a book together.

1 mark

9. The sentences below are missing a word. **Choose an adverb** from the box which fits **both** sentences. **Write it in the box below.**

then	next	soon
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To plant a seed, make a hole in the earth and  fill it with water.

Cook the cake for thirty minutes and  take it out of the oven to cool.

1 mark

10. **Draw a line** to match the word 'paragraph' to its definition.

paragraph
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A distinct section of a text which helps the writer to separate ideas.
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A block graph showing how many words are in a text.
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1 mark

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1 The detective was determined to **solve** this crime. There must be a **solution** to this complicated case. Waiting for his sugar to **dissolve** in his coffee, he thought about how his last case had been left **unsolved** and he certainly did not want that to happen again. 1 mark

2 My mum **has been** to America many times. 1 mark

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rhyme	<b>rhythm</b>	response
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 1 mark

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“ <u>Charlie’s project was the best in the whole class.</u> ” said Mr Butler.
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 1 mark

5 

Word	Preposition	Conjunction
but		x
if		x
between	x	
because		x
near	x	

 1 mark

6 **an** orange 1 mark

**a** unicorn

7 *Accept any answer, written in the style of a heading, which reflects the content of the article.* 1 mark

8 Let’s look at a book together. 

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 1 mark

9 To plant a seed, make a hole in the earth and 

then
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 fill it with water. 1 mark

Cook the cake for thirty minutes 

then
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 take it out of the oven to cool.

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paragraph	A distinct section of a text which helps the writer to separate ideas.
	A block graph showing how many words are in a text.

 1 mark

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## Year 3 English Grammar and Punctuation Test 4

1. Which prefix is missing? **Circle one** for each word.

super	auto
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hero

super	auto
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graph

super	auto
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power

1 mark

2. The sentence below contains some errors. **Circle the words which are incorrect.**

The rain poured down, so Dad took a umbrella from his bag and held it over my head. An drop of rain rolled down the umbrella and dripped on my foot. 'What an miserable day.' sighed Dad.

1 mark

3. **Rewrite** the sentence below so that it uses the **present perfect** tense.

You saw that movie lots of times.

1 mark

4. **Underline** the **direct speech** in this sentence.

"Ahmed," said James, "can I borrow your ruler, please?"

1 mark

total for this page

5. Draw lines to match the words to others in the same word family.

place

reaction

cover

replaced

act

discovered

1 mark

6. Read the sentence below. **Circle** the preposition that tells you **where**.

The Butcher's shop is between the Café and the Bakery.

2 marks

7. Look at the heading of the article below. **Write an alternative heading** in the box.

### Champions at last

After a wait of thirty years, Blagborough Town Football Club can finally call themselves 'Team of the Year'. A thrillingly close final match last Saturday ended in a 3-2 victory for our local team.

"It's amazing," said Ant Trainer, coach for the club. "We have all worked really hard for this and I'm so proud of my team."

1 mark

total for this page

8. Read the sentence below. **Circle the conjunction.**

1 mark

Adam is good at rugby although he doesn't play very often.

9. **Change the verb** in the sentence below to use the **present perfect form of the verb.**

1 mark

She eat all of the chocolate cake.

She  all of the chocolate cake.

10. A writer wants to separate the ideas in his book into distinct sections. Which layout device should he use? **Tick one.**

2 marks

sentences

paragraphs

columns

bullet points

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<p>1</p> <p><span>super</span> auto hero</p> <p>super <span>auto</span> graph</p> <p><span>super</span> auto power</p>	<p>1 mark</p>	<p>6 The Butcher's shop is <span>between</span> the Café and the Bakery.</p>	<p>2 marks</p>
<p>2 The rain poured down, so Dad took <u>a</u> umbrella from his bag and held it over my head. <u>An</u> drop of rain rolled down the umbrella and dripped on my foot. "What <u>an</u> miserable day." sighed Dad.</p>	<p>1 mark</p>	<p>7 Accept any answer, written in the style of a heading, which reflects the content of the article.</p>	<p>1 mark</p>
<p>3</p> <p>You have seen that movie lots of times.</p>	<p>1 mark</p>	<p>8 Adam is good at rugby <span>although</span> he doesn't play very often.</p>	<p>1 mark</p>
<p>4 "Ahmed," said James, "<u>can I borrow your ruler, please?</u>"</p>	<p>1 mark</p>	<p>9 She <span>has eaten</span> all of the chocolate cake.</p>	<p>1 mark</p>
<p>5</p> <p>place reaction</p> <p>cover replaced</p> <p>act discovered</p>	<p>1 mark</p>	<p>10 sentences <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>paragraphs <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>columns <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>bullet points <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>2 marks</p>

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## Year 3 English Grammar and Punctuation Test 5

1. Read the sentences below. **Circle the correct determiner** in each sentence.

Shall we watch  film tonight?

How does  octopus breathe?

We parked in  underground car-park.

1 mark

2. Add **inverted commas** in the **correct places in the sentence** below.

Please could you get your shoes on, Michael? asked Mum.

1 mark

3. **Draw lines** to match the words below to the **appropriate prefix**.

inter

appoint

super

action

dis

hero

1 mark

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4. **Complete** the sentence below by using the **present perfect** form of the verb in the box.

I am so happy! I  all my exams!

↑

1 mark

5. **Draw lines** to match the words to others in the same word family.

1 mark

6. Read the sentence below. **Underline** the subordinate clause.

While we were at the wedding, my dad's car got clamped.

1 mark

7. Sam is writing a story about a space adventure. What will Sam need to use in his writing to help him organise his story? **Circle one.**

1 mark

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8. Read the sentence below. **Underline** the correct **conjunction** to complete it.

Suresh always takes time to warm up before a race  he doesn't want to get injured.

so	when	because
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1 mark

9. Choose the most appropriate sub-heading for the paragraph.

How to play netball	<input type="checkbox"/>	Types of netball passes	<input type="checkbox"/>
How to score in netball	<input type="checkbox"/>	Types of ball games	<input type="checkbox"/>

1 mark

There are three main types of pass that you can use in a game of netball. These are a shoulder pass, a chest pass and a bounce pass. As you improve, you will learn which pass is the best to use in different situations, depending on where you are in relation to the player you want to pass to.

10. Which **pair** of words makes a different **noun** when used with the prefix 'pre'?  
**Tick one pair.**

circle / colon	<input type="checkbox"/>
school / view	<input type="checkbox"/>
marine / way	<input type="checkbox"/>

1 mark

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1 Shall we watch  a  an film tonight? 1 mark  
 How does  a  an octopus breathe?  
 We parked in  a  an underground car-park.

2 "Please could you get your shoes on, Michael?" asked Mum. 1 mark

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<input type="text" value="inter"/>	<input type="text" value="appoint"/>
<input type="text" value="super"/>	<input type="text" value="action"/>
<input type="text" value="dis"/>	<input type="text" value="hero"/>

 1 mark

4 I am so happy! I  all my exams! 1 mark

5 

<input type="text" value="rebel"/>	<input type="text" value="separation"/>
<input type="text" value="energy"/>	<input type="text" value="rebellion"/>
<input type="text" value="separate"/>	<input type="text" value="energetic"/>

 1 mark

6 **While we were at the wedding,** my dad's car got clamped. 1 mark

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<input type="text" value="colons"/>	<input type="text" value="capital letters"/>

 1 mark

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How to play netball	<input type="checkbox"/>
How to score in netball	<input type="checkbox"/>
Types of netball passes	<input checked="" type="checkbox" value="x"/>
Types of ball games	<input type="checkbox"/>

 1 mark

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circle / colon	<input type="checkbox"/>
school / view	<input checked="" type="checkbox" value="x"/>
marine / way	<input type="checkbox"/>

 1 mark

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## Year 3 English Grammar and Punctuation Test 6

1. Read the **headings** below. **Draw lines** to match the heading to the subject.

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It's Over! Peace Declared in Europe

The sinking of the Titanic

Tragedy on the High Seas

Severe flooding in the UK

How Much More Can We Take?

The end of World War 2

2. **Underline** the words in the sentence below which indicate **direct speech**.

1 mark
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“Come in and sit down quietly,” said the head teacher. “I would like you to tell me exactly what happened this morning.”

3. **Complete** the passage below using the correct determiner, ‘a’ or ‘an’.

1 mark
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Rachel has just bought  new house with  old apple tree in the garden.

The house used to be  vicarage and has  interesting history.

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4. **Add inverted commas** to the direct speech in the sentence below.

Stop! called the Policeman. Stop, thief!

1 mark

5. **Which word class** do the words in the table belong to? **Tick one box** for each word.

1 mark

Word	Noun	Verb
semicircle		
submerge		
television		
bicycle		

6. Read the sentence below. **Underline** the preposition.

1 mark

Have you looked under the chest of drawers? Your toy might be there.

7. **Draw lines** to match the words to others in the same word family.

1 mark

vent

impress

press

event

cover

discover

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8. Who is speaking in the **present perfect** tense? **Circle one** speech bubble.




1 mark

9. Look at the letters below. **Write them in the correct box** according to whether they are a **vowel** letter or a **consonant** letter.

1 mark

Vowel Letter	Consonant Letter

b	g
h	i
o	m
r	u
e	a

10. **Underline** the **main clause** in the sentence below.

1 mark

You should check for any sleeping animals before you light a bonfire.

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It's Over! Peace Declared in Europe	The sinking of the Titanic
Tragedy on the High Seas	Severe flooding in the UK
How Much More Can We Take?	The end of World War 2

1 mark

2 **"Come in and sit down quietly,"** said the Head Teacher. **"I would like you to tell me exactly what happened this morning."**

1 mark

3 Rachel has just bought  new house with  old apple tree in the garden. The house used to be  vicarage and has  interesting history.

1 mark

4 "Stop!" called the Policeman. "Stop, thief!"

1 mark

5

Word	Noun	Verb
semicircle	X	
submerge		X
television	X	
bicycle	X	

1 mark

6 Have you looked **under** the chest of drawers? Your toy might be there.

1 mark

7

vent	impress
press	event
cover	discover

1 mark

8



1 mark

9

Vowel Letter	Consonant Letter
i	b
o	g
u	h
e	m
a	r

1 mark

10 **You should check for any sleeping animals before you light a bonfire.**

1 mark











