

# Set 1: Test 8– Grammar & Punctuation

1. Read the words below. Tick the word which is a verb made by adding a **suffix** to the word 'beauty.'

Tick **one** box.

beauteous	[ ]
beautify	[ ]
beautiful	[ ]
beauties	[ ]

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1 mark

2. Write a **question** beginning with the word given below.

What -----

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1 mark

3. Circle the **passive** sentences below.

Aaron burnt the toast.

My mind was made up.

The robber was caught.

I play the piano.

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1 mark

4. The sentence below is missing two commas. Tick two boxes to show where the **commas** should go.

Betty Grainger who turned one hundred years old liked to party.

[ ] [ ] [ ] [ ]

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1 mark

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5. Read the sentence below. Tick the pair of phrases that complete the sentence so it's in the **present progressive** tense.

The dogs \_\_\_\_\_ speedily through the park whilst the cats \_\_\_\_\_ the tree to get away from them.

Tick **one** box.

will run	will climb	[ ]
were running	were climbing	[ ]
had run	had climbed	[ ]
are running	are climbing	[ ]

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1 mark

6. Choose a suitable **conjunction** to introduce the **subordinate clause** in this sentence.

I like to listen to music \_\_\_\_\_ I drive to work.

Tick **one** box.

because	[ ]
while	[ ]
although	[ ]
so	[ ]

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1 mark

7. The sentence below is missing a hyphen. Tick one box to show where the hyphen should go.

The flag at the castle flew at half mast after the King's death.

[ ]                      [ ]                      [ ]                      [ ]

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1 mark

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8. Read the two sentences below. Explain how the meaning of the sentence is changed when the **comma** is added.

Adam loves chicken sandwiches and crisps.  
Adam loves chicken, sandwiches and crisps.

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1 mark

9. Read the sentences below and circle the **determiner** in each one.

We ran the distance between London and Oxford.

Aaron's football went flat after the tournament.

There was an unusual buzzing sound.

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1 mark

10. Look at the table below. Put a tick in each box to show whether each apostrophe is used as a **possessive** apostrophe or to create a **contracted form**.

Sentence	Possessive Apostrophe	Contracted Form
Michelle's cat is black and white.		
The girls' dresses were pink.		
They couldn't go to the party.		

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1 mark

**END OF TEST**

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## ANSWERS

1. beautify
2. any given answer where 'what' precedes a question  
the question mark should be accurately placed
3. my mind was made up  
the robber was caught
4. Betty Grainger, who turned one hundred years old, liked to party.
5. are running/are climbing
6. while
7. half-mast
8. when the comma is added, chicken sandwiches become two  
separate things– chicken and sandwiches
9. the distance  
Aaron's football  
an unusual

10.

Sentence	Possessive Apostrophe	Contracted Form
Michelle's cat is black and white.	✓	
The girls' dresses were pink.	✓	
They couldn't go to the party.		✓