

ENGLISH
GRAMMAR

Grammar

Punctuation and Grammar Activities

Complete one activity every day.



Spring Term 1

1

Is this sentence active or passive?

Before bedtime, Joshua always brushes his teeth.



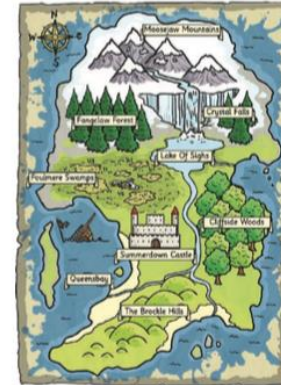
a

Look at these sentences. Underline the root word that could have an il-, ir- or im- prefix added. Write each new prefix word.

a) The trains from our local station are very regular.

b) The junior doctor's handwriting was legible.

b



Read the sentence below and underline the two words that are modal verbs.

We must travel north from Summerdown Castle and eventually we should arrive at the Moosejaw Mountains.

Can you think of a more formal synonym to replace this past tense verb? (Use a thesaurus if you need to!)

cried _____

c

d

Mr Whoops has accidentally jumbled up an antonym of 'polite'. Can you help him to unjumble it?

rdeu



e

Can you add dashes around the parenthesis in this sentence?

The Beatles the world-famous Liverpoolian band first began recording songs in 1962.



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a) The trains from our local station are very **regular**.

irregular

b) The junior doctor's handwriting was **legible**.

illegible

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d

cried **Accept more formal synonyms, e.g. wept, bawled, sobbed, snivelled, etc.**

Can you add dashes around the parenthesis in this sentence?

f

The Beatles the world-famous Liverpoolian band first began recording songs in 1962.


Accept dashes around the parenthesis, i.e. The Beatles - the world-famous Liverpoolian band - first began recording songs in 1962.

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a

Tick the box that shows where the semicolon should separate the two independent clauses in this sentence.


The Lancaster Bomber was a popular aircraft used in the Second World War it became the RAF's main bomber during the battle.



b

Put the commas in the correct places within this sentence:

Koalas which are native to Australia usually live in a eucalyptus forest habitat.



c

divided dense varied

Replace the appropriate words in the text with synonyms from the list above. The first one is done for you.

The Earth's crust is split up into tectonic plates of different shapes and sizes. The plates are made of solid rock.

split - divided

_____ - _____

_____ - _____

d


Grandmother Of Eight Makes Hole In One!

Why is this newspaper headline ambiguous?
(Clue: Ambiguous means that its meaning is not clear.)

e

Are the underlined words a noun phrase, a prepositional phrase or a subordinate clause?

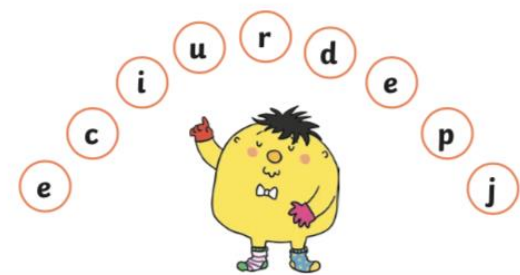
If there is heavy snowfall overnight, we can build a snowman in the morning.



f

Mr Whoops has been juggling with the letters from one of his Year 6 spelling words. Can you spot what it is?

p_____e



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The Lancaster Bomber was a popular aircraft used in the Second World War; it became the RAF's main bomber during the battle.

b
Put the commas in the correct places within this sentence:

Koalas, which are native to Australia, usually live in a eucalyptus forest habitat.

c
~~divided~~ dense varied

Replace the appropriate words in the text with synonyms from the list above. One is done for you.

The Earth's crust is **split** up into tectonic plates of **different** shapes and sizes. The plates are made of **solid** rock.

split - divided

different - varied

solid - dense

d
Grandmother Of Eight Makes Hole In One!

Why is this newspaper headline ambiguous?

(Clue: Ambiguous means that its meaning is not clear.)

Accept an explanation about how the headline could be misconstrued and people make think that the grandmother made in hole in one of her eight grandchildren!

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If there is heavy snowfall overnight, we can build a snowman in the morning.

subordinate clause

f
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prejudice

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a

Write a sentence with a fronted adverbial about the Loch Ness monster. Underline it.



b

Replace the underlined words with a synonym.

With a flick of his magical wand, Wizardo turned his enemy into an ugly monster.



c

Rewrite this sentence in the present perfect tense.

Peter entered the competition.

d

Rewrite the sentence with a semicolon to replace the co-ordinating conjunction between the two independent clauses.

William Shakespeare is still one of the best-selling authors in the world and his books are translated into many languages.



e

Mr Whoops has made two clumsy spelling mistakes in his diary entry. Can you underline them and correct them? Use a dictionary if you need to.

Dear Diary,

After standing in a cue for over an hour, I finally gained admission into the new ansient Egypt exhibition at the museum.



f

Read the sentence below and circle the word or words that make it a question.

That's the new boy from Class 9, isn't it?

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3

a Write a sentence with a fronted adverbial about the Loch Ness monster. Underline it.

Accept any accurately-punctuated sentence with an underlined fronted adverbial to show time, place or cause, e.g. In Scotland, many believe that the Loch Ness monster might be real.

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Peter has entered the competition.

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queue ancient

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Accept any synonyms for the underlined words, e.g. enchanted/mysterious and hideous/repulsive.

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isn't it? circled

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Underline the subject in this sentence:

Fatima drank the milkshake.



a

Forgetful Mr Whoop is very confused about noun phrases, prepositional phrases and subordinate clauses. Can you help him by saying which is underlined in the sentence?

Speeding towards the finish line, the driver believed he might win the race.

c

Rewrite the sentence and add in the relative pronoun that is missing.
We went to a restaurant served Italian food.

e



Draw lines between the pairs of antonyms.

private public

genuine lower

raise fake

b

Tick the sentence that uses the colon correctly.

- Mum had made two cakes: a Victoria sponge and a lemon drizzle loaf.
- Mum had made: two cakes a Victoria sponge and a lemon drizzle loaf.
- Mum had made two cakes a Victoria sponge and: a lemon drizzle loaf.

d

Read these words:

biology biography

Tick what you think the prefix 'bio' means.

childhood science life

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prepositional phrase

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Tick the passive sentence:

- The storyteller performed the story.
- The storyteller was performing the story.
- The story was performed by the storyteller.



a

Can you think of the correct 'ie' words to match the definitions?

Someone in charge

A type of fuel

c

Choose a suitable preposition to complete each sentence:

My baby brother is a nuisance and cries _____ night.

The fire alarm rang _____ lunchtime.

e

Add a co-ordinating conjunction and continue the compound sentence.

The trees seemed dark and foreboding _



b

Mr Whoops has got in a terrible muddle and has lost half of his hyphenated compound adjectives. Can you help him?

part-_____

cold-_____

d

What kind of punctuation is used to mark the parenthesis in the sentence?

The mysterious bottle that was found on an island - just off the coast of Mexico - contained a secret message.



f

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Someone in charge _____

chief

A type of fuel _____

diesel

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e

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e.g. at

The fire alarm rang _____ lunchtime.

e.g. during

The trees seemed dark and foreboding _____

b

Add a co-ordinating conjunction and continue the compound sentence.

Accept any sensible idea for a compound sentence containing a co-ordinating conjunction (FANBOYS), e.g. The trees seemed dark and foreboding but they knew it was the only way home.

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d

part-_____

e.g. part-time

cold-_____

e.g. cold-blooded

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The mysterious bottle that was found on an island - just off the coast of Mexico - contained a secret message.

dashes