

11+ Practice Test Answers

11+ English Test 19

| Question | Answer | Explanation | Marks |
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| 1 | its | <p>The correct answer is 'its' because 'audience' is a singular collective noun. Although an audience comprises many individuals, we treat it as a single unit.</p> <p>We use the possessive pronoun 'its' to show that the eyes belong to the audience. The words 'his', 'her' and 'every' are incorrect because they do not agree with the noun 'audience'.</p> | 1 |
| 2 | a symbol of American pride | <p>The mistake in the sentence is 'a symbol of American pride'.</p> <p>In this case, the phrase 'a symbol of American pride' is an appositive phrase, which is a noun phrase that renames or describes the noun that comes before it.</p> <p>Appositive phrases should be set off by commas on both sides when they are non-essential to the meaning of the sentence, as is the case here.</p> <p>Therefore, the correct version of the sentence should be: 'The majestic bald eagle, a symbol of American pride, soars gracefully over the rugged Alaskan wilderness.'</p> | 1 |
| 3 | pronoun | <p>In this sentence, 'some' is a pronoun because it is used in place of a noun. It refers to an unspecified number or amount of books that Amelia wanted but the library did not have.</p> <p>A pronoun is a word that is used to replace or refer to a noun in a sentence, which is exactly what 'some' is doing here. Therefore, 'pronoun' is the correct answer.</p> | 1 |
| 4 | No mistake | <p>The sentence contains no spelling mistakes.</p> <p>'Mischievous', 'giggled', 'gleefully', 'chased', 'colourful', and 'butterfly' are all spelled correctly according to British English.</p> <p>Therefore, the correct answer is 'No mistake'.</p> | 1 |
| 5 | went | <p>The correct answer is 'went'.</p> <p>The sentence is in the past tense, as indicated by the phrase 'After finishing their exams'. Therefore, the verb should also be in the past tense to maintain consistency in the sentence.</p> <p>'Go' is the base form of the verb, 'goes' is the third-person singular present tense, and 'to go' is the infinitive form. None of these forms are appropriate for the given context.</p> <p>'Went' is the past tense form of the verb 'go', which correctly completes the sentence: 'After finishing their exams, the students went to the cinema to celebrate.'</p> | 1 |

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| 6 | No mistake | <p>The sentence is grammatically correct and contains no errors in punctuation or capitalisation.</p> <p>The first letter of the sentence is capitalised, and the comma is used correctly to separate the introductory clause from the main clause.</p> <p>The apostrophe in "couldn't" is also used correctly to indicate the contraction of "could not".</p> <p>Therefore, the correct answer is "No mistake".</p> | 1 |
| 7 | were | <p>The correct answer is 'were' because the subject of the sentence, 'The acrobat's movements', is plural. The verb must agree with the subject in number.</p> <p>If the subject were singular, such as 'The acrobat's movement', then 'was' would be the correct choice. However, since 'movements' is plural, we need the plural past tense verb 'were'.</p> <p>'Is' and 'are' are both present tense verbs, which do not fit the context of the sentence, as it is describing the acrobat's movements in the past.</p> | 1 |
| 8 | Several | <p>The correct answer is 'Several'.</p> <p>A determiner is a word that comes before a noun to express the reference of that noun in the context. Determiners can provide information such as quantity, possession, or definiteness.</p> <p>In this sentence, 'Several' is a determiner because it specifies the quantity of the noun 'students'. It tells us that the number of students is more than a few but not a lot.</p> <p>'in' is a preposition, 'couple' is a noun, and 'his' is a possessive pronoun, so they cannot be the correct answers.</p> | 1 |
| 9 | the weary travellers - Jack and Jill, | <p>The mistake in the sentence is in the group of words 'the weary travellers - Jack and Jill,'.</p> <p>When using a dash to introduce or emphasise a phrase, there should not be a comma immediately after the dash.</p> <p>The correct version of the sentence would be:</p> <p>As the sun set over the horizon, the weary travellers - Jack and Jill finally reached their destination.</p> <p>Alternatively, if commas are preferred, the dash should be removed:</p> <p>As the sun set over the horizon, the weary travellers, Jack and Jill, finally reached their destination.</p> | 1 |
| 10 | James couldn't beleive | <p>The correct answer is 'James couldn't beleive'.</p> <p>The word 'beleive' is spelled incorrectly in this sentence. The correct spelling is 'believe', with an 'ie' instead of 'ei'.</p> <p>The rest of the sentence contains no spelling errors, so the group of words 'James couldn't beleive' is the only one that contains a mistake.</p> | 1 |

