1.13 SPaG: Mixed Timed Test: 10-minute Pack

GL ASSESSMENT / CSSE 11+ Entrance English (GL Assessment / CSSE style) · about 10 minutes

Total Marks

Name: _____ Date: ____ / ____ / _____

Answer ALL questions.

1 Read the sentence, then choose the underlined word that is spelled incorrectly. If every word is correct, choose E.

"Her (A) conscientous approach to (B) revision meant she (C) rarely (D) procrastinated."

- ☐ A) conscientous
- ☐ B) revision
- ☐ C) rarely
- ☐ D) procrastinated
- ☐ E) No mistake

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2 Which sentence uses the apostrophe correctly to show that the bone belongs to one dog?

- ☐ A) The dogs' bone was buried in the garden.
- ☐ B) The dog,s bone was buried in the garden.
- ☐ C) The dog's bone was buried in the garden.
- ☐ D) The dogs bone was buried in the garden.

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3 Insert the missing comma in the correct place: 'Amara wanted to walk to school but the rain was too heavy.'

(1)

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4 Which sentence punctuates the direct speech correctly?

- ☐ A) Rhys said "please pass the ball to me".
- ☐ B) Rhys said, "Please pass the ball to me."
- ☐ C) Rhys said "Please pass the ball to me".
- ☐ D) Rhys said, "please pass the ball to me".

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5 Which sentence uses the colon correctly?

- [ ] A) Kwame needed several items, pencils, rulers and a calculator.
- [ ] B) Kwame needed several items: pencils, rulers and a calculator.
- [ ] C) Kwame needed: several items, pencils, rulers and a calculator.
- [ ] D) Kwame needed several items; pencils, rulers and a calculator.

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6 Which sentence uses the semicolon correctly?

- [ ] A) The storm knocked out the power; and the whole street was plunged into darkness.
- [ ] B) The storm knocked out the power the whole street; was plunged into darkness.
- [ ] C) The storm knocked out the power; the whole street was plunged into darkness.
- [ ] D) The storm knocked out the power, the whole street was plunged into darkness.

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7 Read the sentence, then choose the underlined word that is spelled incorrectly. If every word is correct, choose E.

"We hoped to (A) recieve the parcel on (B) Tuesday, so we (C) waited (D) patiently by the door."

- [ ] A) recieve
- [ ] B) Tuesday
- [ ] C) waited
- [ ] D) patiently
- [ ] E) No mistake

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8 In formal written English, choose the correct word to complete the sentence: 'Neither of the twins ____ ready for the school trip.'

- [ ] A) were
- [ ] B) have
- [ ] C) is
- [ ] D) are

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9 Rewrite this sentence in the passive voice: 'The council repaired the bridge in March.'

(1)

10 Give one word that means the opposite of 'reluctant'.

(1)

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Question 1

A - identifies 'conscientous' as the misspelling (correct spelling is 'conscientious') **B1**

Answer: A) conscientous (should be 'conscientious')

Question 2

C - places the apostrophe correctly for singular possession **B1**

Answer: C) The dog's bone was buried in the garden.

Question 3

places a comma immediately before 'but', which joins two complete clauses (cao) **B1**

Answer: Amara wanted to walk to school, but the rain was too heavy.

Question 4

B - uses a comma before the speech marks, a capital letter to start the quotation, and the full stop inside the closing speech mark **B1**

Answer: B) Rhys said, "Please pass the ball to me."

Question 5

B - introduces the list with a colon after a complete clause **B1**

Answer: B) Kwame needed several items: pencils, rulers and a calculator.

Question 6

C - joins two complete, closely related clauses with a semicolon alone **B1**

Answer: C) The storm knocked out the power; the whole street was plunged into darkness.

Question 7

A - identifies 'recieve' as the misspelling (correct spelling is 'receive') **B1**

Answer: A) recieve

Question 8

C - matches the singular subject 'neither' with the singular verb 'is' **B1**

Answer: C) is

Question 9

moves 'the bridge' to the subject position and uses 'was repaired by the council'; accept any grammatically correct passive equivalent that keeps the meaning and tense (oe) **B1**

Answer: The bridge was repaired by the council in March.

Question 10

accept any accurate antonym for 'reluctant', e.g. willing, eager, keen, enthusiastic (oe) **B1**

Answer: willing (accept eager / keen / enthusiastic)

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