1.23-3 SPaG Depth Set 3: 30-minute Pack

GL ASSESSMENT / CSSE 11+ Entrance English (GL Assessment / CSSE style) · about 30 minutes

Total Marks

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Answer ALL questions.

1 Which sentence uses the semicolon correctly?

- ☐ A) The rain finally stopped; the pupils ran outside for break.
- ☐ B) The rain finally stopped, the pupils ran outside for break;
- ☐ C) The rain finally stopped; and the pupils ran outside for break.
- ☐ D) The rain; finally stopped the pupils ran outside for break.

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2 Which sentence correctly punctuates a list whose items already contain commas?

- ☐ A) On the school trip we visited Leeds, Yorkshire, Bristol, Somerset and York, North Yorkshire.
- ☐ B) On the school trip we visited Leeds, Yorkshire; Bristol, Somerset; and York, North Yorkshire.
- ☐ C) On the school trip we visited Leeds; Yorkshire, Bristol; Somerset and York, North Yorkshire.
- ☐ D) On the school trip we visited Leeds, Yorkshire: Bristol, Somerset: and York, North Yorkshire.

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3 Which sentence correctly uses a colon, rather than a semicolon, to introduce an explanation?

- ☐ A) The match was cancelled; the pitch was flooded.
- ☐ B) The match was cancelled: the pitch was flooded.
- ☐ C) The match was cancelled, the pitch was flooded:
- ☐ D) The match; was cancelled the pitch was flooded.

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4 Which tense is used in this sentence?
'Amir walks to school every morning.'

- ☐ A) present continuous
- ☐ B) present perfect
- ☐ C) past simple
- ☐ D) present simple

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5 Which sentence correctly rewrites 'Sophie writes a letter to her grandmother' in the past tense?

- [ ] A) Sophie wrote a letter to her grandmother.
- [ ] B) Sophie writed a letter to her grandmother.
- [ ] C) Sophie has written a letter to her grandmother.
- [ ] D) Sophie was writing a letter to her grandmother.

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

"Nia's favourite (A) subject is (B) buisness studies, especially the unit on (C) budgeting and (D) saving."

- [ ] A) subject
- [ ] B) buisness
- [ ] C) budgeting
- [ ] D) saving
- [ ] E) No mistake

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7 Which tense is used in this sentence?

'Chidi has lived in Cardiff for seven years.'

- [ ] A) present continuous
- [ ] B) past perfect
- [ ] C) present perfect
- [ ] D) past simple

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8 In the sentence 'The happy children ran across the playground', what word class is 'happy'?

- [ ] A) adjective
- [ ] B) verb
- [ ] C) noun
- [ ] D) adverb

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9 In the sentence 'Josh quickly finished his lunch before the bell rang', what word class is 'quickly'?

- [ ] A) preposition
- [ ] B) adjective
- [ ] C) noun
- [ ] D) adverb

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10 In the sentence 'The cat hid under the wooden bench', what word class is 'under'?

- [ ] A) adverb
- [ ] B) conjunction
- [ ] C) preposition
- [ ] D) verb

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11 In the sentence 'Isla stayed inside because it was raining', what word class is 'because'?

- [ ] A) adverb
- [ ] B) pronoun
- [ ] C) preposition
- [ ] D) conjunction

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12 In the sentence 'This is the book that Meera lost last week', what word class is 'This'?

- [ ] A) pronoun
- [ ] B) conjunction
- [ ] C) determiner
- [ ] D) adjective

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13 Which words form the subordinate clause in this sentence?
'Although he was tired, Tariq finished the marathon.'

- [ ] A) Although he was tired
- [ ] B) Tariq finished
- [ ] C) finished the marathon
- [ ] D) Tariq finished the marathon

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14 Which words form the subordinate clause in this sentence?
'The teacher who marked our books gave us useful feedback.'

- [ ] A) gave us useful feedback
- [ ] B) useful feedback
- [ ] C) The teacher
- [ ] D) who marked our books

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15 Read the sentence, then choose the underlined word that is spelled incorrectly. If every word is correct, choose E.
"It was (A) necessary for the whole class to bring (B) wellington boots for the (C) farm trip on (D) Thursday."

- [ ] A) necessary
- [ ] B) wellington
- [ ] C) farm
- [ ] D) Thursday
- [ ] E) No mistake

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16 Which words form the subordinate clause in this sentence?
'The parcel, which had been delayed for a week, finally arrived on Saturday.'

- [ ] A) for a week
- [ ] B) finally arrived on Saturday
- [ ] C) which had been delayed for a week
- [ ] D) The parcel

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17 What type of sentence is this?
'Nia packed her bag, and she caught the early bus before eight o'clock.'

- [ ] A) Compound sentence
- [ ] B) Simple sentence
- [ ] C) Complex sentence
- [ ] D) Compound-complex sentence

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18 What type of sentence is this?
'I can't believe how quickly the holidays have gone!'

- [ ] A) Command
- [ ] B) Exclamation
- [ ] C) Statement
- [ ] D) Question

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19 What type of sentence is this?
'Never again.'

- [ ] A) Command
- [ ] B) Statement
- [ ] C) Compound sentence
- [ ] D) Minor sentence

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20 Which tense is used in this sentence?
'Maya catches the bus to school most mornings.'

- [ ] A) present simple
- [ ] B) present continuous
- [ ] C) past simple
- [ ] D) present perfect

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21 In the sentence 'These are the shoes that Rohan bought last summer', what word class is 'These'?

- [ ] A) adjective
- [ ] B) pronoun
- [ ] C) determiner
- [ ] D) conjunction

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22 Choose the correct word to complete the sentence: 'Before the match started, the team ___ their warm-up exercises.'

- [ ] A) had completed
- [ ] B) completed
- [ ] C) have completed
- [ ] D) complete

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23 In the sentence 'Sam eagerly opened her birthday present before anyone else', what word class is 'eagerly'?

- [ ] A) adjective
- [ ] B) noun
- [ ] C) adverb
- [ ] D) preposition

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24 Which is the correct spelling of the word formed by adding '-ing' to the verb 'travel'?

- [ ] A) travelling
- [ ] B) travellling
- [ ] C) travelng
- [ ] D) traveling

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25 What type of sentence is this?
'Before she left home, Sophie checked her bag to make sure she had everything.'

- [ ] A) Complex sentence
- [ ] B) Simple sentence
- [ ] C) Compound-complex sentence
- [ ] D) Compound sentence

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26 Which words form the subordinate clause in this sentence?
'When the door opened, everyone looked up from their work.'

- [ ] A) everyone looked up from their work
- [ ] B) When the door opened
- [ ] C) looked up from their work
- [ ] D) everyone looked up

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27 What type of sentence is this?
'How incredible that he managed to solve it so quickly!'

- [ ] A) Question
- [ ] B) Command
- [ ] C) Exclamation
- [ ] D) Statement

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28 In the sentence 'I gave the tickets to them because they asked first', what word class is 'them'?

- [ ] A) determiner
- [ ] B) conjunction
- [ ] C) adjective
- [ ] D) pronoun

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29 Which words form the subordinate clause in this sentence?
'The film that we watched last week was about space exploration.'

- ☐ A) The film
- ☐ B) about space exploration
- ☐ C) that we watched last week
- ☐ D) was about space exploration

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30 Insert the missing comma: 'On 12/07 the whole school gathered in the hall for the end of term assembly.'

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Question 1

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

Answer: A) The rain finally stopped; the pupils ran outside for break.

Question 2

B - semicolons separate the three main list items, each of which already contains a comma, avoiding confusion **B1**

Answer: B) On the school trip we visited Leeds, Yorkshire; Bristol, Somerset; and York, North Yorkshire.

Question 3

B - uses a colon to introduce the explanation that follows a complete clause **B1**

Answer: B) The match was cancelled: the pitch was flooded.

Question 4

D - present simple - the base verb plus s is used for a habitual, repeated action **B1**

Answer: D) present simple

Question 5

A - wrote - the correct irregular simple past form of 'write' **B1**

Answer: A) Sophie wrote a letter to her grandmother.

Question 6

B - identifies 'buisness' as the misspelling (correct spelling is 'business') **B1**

Answer: B) buisness

Question 7

C - present perfect - 'has' plus the past participle describes a state continuing from the past to now **B1**

Answer: C) present perfect

Question 8

A - adjective - it describes the noun 'children' **B1**

Answer: A) adjective

Question 9

D - adverb - it describes how the action 'finished' was done **B1**

Answer: D) adverb

Question 10

C - preposition - it shows the relationship in place between 'hid' and 'the wooden bench' **B1**

Answer: C) preposition

Question 11

D - conjunction (subordinating) - it joins the two clauses and shows the reason for the first **B1**

Answer: D) conjunction

Question 12

A - pronoun - it stands alone as the subject of the sentence, not describing a following noun **B1**

Answer: A) pronoun

Question 13

A - Although he was tired - cannot stand alone as a complete sentence and depends on the main clause **B1**

Answer: A) Although he was tired

Question 14

D - who marked our books - a relative clause giving extra information about 'the teacher' that cannot stand alone **B1**

Answer: D) who marked our books

Question 15

E - correctly identifies that every underlined word is spelled correctly **B1**

Answer: E) No mistake

Question 16

C - which had been delayed for a week - extra information about 'the parcel', marked off by commas, that cannot stand alone **B1**

Answer: C) which had been delayed for a week

Question 17

A - Compound sentence - two main clauses are joined by the coordinating conjunction 'and' **B1**

Answer: A) Compound sentence

Question 18

B - Exclamation - it expresses strong feeling and ends with an exclamation mark **B1**

Answer: B) Exclamation

Question 19

D - Minor sentence - a grammatically incomplete but meaningful phrase with no main verb **B1**

Answer: D) Minor sentence

Question 20

A (present simple) cao **B1**

Answer: A) present simple

Question 21

B (pronoun) cao **B1**

Answer: B) pronoun

Question 22

A (had completed) cao **B1**

Answer: A) had completed

Question 23

C (adverb) cao **B1**

Answer: C) adverb

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Question 24

A - travelling - UK spelling doubles the final l before adding -ing **B1**

Answer: A) travelling

Question 25

A (Complex sentence) cao **B1**

Answer: A) Complex sentence

Question 26

B (When the door opened) cao **B1**

Answer: B) When the door opened

Question 27

C (Exclamation) cao **B1**

Answer: C) Exclamation

Question 28

D (pronoun) cao **B1**

Answer: D) pronoun

Question 29

C (that we watched last week) cao **B1**

Answer: C) that we watched last week

Question 30

places a comma immediately after '12/07', marking the end of the fronted adverbial (cao) **B1**

Answer: On 12/07, the whole school gathered in the hall for the end of term assembly.

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