1.26-2 Punctuation and Grammar Focus Set 2: 30-minute Pack

Total Marks

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

Name: _____ Date: ____ / ____ / _____

Answer ALL questions.

1 In the sentence 'The children played happily in the park', what word class is 'happily'?

- ☐ A) preposition
- ☐ B) conjunction
- ☐ C) adjective
- ☐ D) adverb

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2 Which tense is used in this sentence?
'On Saturday, the children played football in the park.'

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

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3 What sentence type is this?
'How amazing these fireworks are!'

- ☐ A) statement
- ☐ B) exclamation
- ☐ C) command
- ☐ D) question

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4 In the sentence 'She wanted to go, and her brother agreed', what word class is 'and'?

- ☐ A) conjunction
- ☐ B) adverb
- ☐ C) preposition
- ☐ D) pronoun

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5 Choose the correct verb to complete the sentence: 'Neither the teacher nor the students ___ ready for the trip.'

- [ ] A) was
- [ ] B) is
- [ ] C) am
- [ ] D) are

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6 Choose the correct verb to complete the sentence: 'Either Mira or her friends ___ bringing snacks to the party tomorrow.'

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

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7 Is this sentence simple, compound or complex?
'The huge elephant walked through the savanna.'

- [ ] A) complex
- [ ] B) simple
- [ ] C) compound
- [ ] D) compound-complex

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8 In the sentence 'He promised himself a reward', what word class is 'himself'?

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

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9 Which tense is used in this sentence?
'The children are playing games in the playground right now.'

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

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10 How many clauses does this sentence contain?
'The cat slept peacefully.'

- [ ] A) three
- [ ] B) two
- [ ] C) one
- [ ] D) none

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11 Which tense is used in this sentence?
'Last week, Grace baked a cake for the fundraiser.'

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

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12 Which of these is a minor sentence?

- [ ] A) "Be quiet," said the teacher.
- [ ] B) If the noise stopped, we could sleep.
- [ ] C) Silence. Complete and total silence.
- [ ] D) The room became quiet.

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13 Choose the correct verb to complete the sentence: 'Both singers ___ performing on stage tonight.'

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

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14 In the sentence 'Tom felt tired but determined to finish', what word class is 'but'?

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

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15 Which tense is used in this sentence?
'She had been sleeping when the doorbell rang unexpectedly.'

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

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16 In the sentence 'He will come if you invite him', what word class is 'if'?

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

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17 Is this sentence simple, compound or complex?
'The new swimming pool opened yesterday.'

- [ ] A) compound
- [ ] B) simple
- [ ] C) complex
- [ ] D) compound-complex

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18 Which tense is used in this sentence?
'The kettle is boiling on the stove.'

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

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19 Choose the correct word to complete the sentence: 'By the time we reached the station, the train ___ already departed.'

- [ ] A) have
- [ ] B) has
- [ ] C) was
- [ ] D) had

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20 Which tense is used in this sentence?
'Freya had been waiting for over an hour when the coach finally arrived.'

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

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21 In the sentence 'Priya laughed at the joke', what word class is 'laughed'?

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

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22 Choose the correct verb to complete the sentence: 'Everyone in Year 6 ___ a reading partner this term.'

- [ ] A) having
- [ ] B) has
- [ ] C) have had
- [ ] D) have

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23 Choose the correct verb to complete the sentence: 'Either the twins or their cousin ___ collecting the parcel right now.'

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

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24 Choose the correct word to complete the sentence: 'Both boys forgot ___ kit bags before the match.'

- [ ] A) his
- [ ] B) her
- [ ] C) its
- [ ] D) their

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25 Choose the correct verb to complete the sentence, treating the flock as one unit: 'The flock of geese ___ flying south for the winter last week.'

- ☐ A) was
- ☐ B) were
- ☐ C) is
- ☐ D) are

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26 In formal written English, choose the correct verb to complete the sentence: 'Neither of the goalkeepers ___ ready for the penalty yesterday.'

- ☐ A) were
- ☐ B) is
- ☐ C) was
- ☐ D) are

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27 Choose the correct verb to complete the sentence: 'The information in these reports ___ out of date.'

- ☐ A) were
- ☐ B) have
- ☐ C) are
- ☐ D) is

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28 Identify and correct the agreement error in this sentence: 'The crate of oranges were delivered to the school kitchen this morning.'

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29 In the sentence 'The elderly man walked slowly along the promenade', what word class is 'elderly'?

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

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30 Identify the main clause in this sentence:
'When the whistle blew, the players jogged off the pitch.'

- [ ] A) the players jogged off the pitch
- [ ] B) the whistle blew
- [ ] C) jogged off the pitch
- [ ] D) When the whistle blew

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Question 1

D (adverb) cao **B1**

Answer: D) adverb

Question 2

C (past simple) cao **B1**

Answer: C) past simple

Question 3

B (exclamation) cao **B1**

Answer: B) exclamation

Question 4

A (conjunction) cao **B1**

Answer: A) conjunction

Question 5

D (are) cao **B1**

Answer: D) are

Question 6

A (are) cao **B1**

Answer: A) are

Question 7

B (simple) cao **B1**

Answer: B) simple

Question 8

B (pronoun) cao **B1**

Answer: B) pronoun

Question 9

D (present continuous) cao **B1**

Answer: D) present continuous

Question 10

C (one) cao **B1**

Answer: C) one

Question 11

D - past simple - describes a single, completed action in the past **B1**

Answer: D) past simple

Question 12

C (Silence. Complete and total silence.) cao **B1**

Answer: C) Silence. Complete and total silence.

Question 13

D (are) cao **B1**

Answer: D) are

Question 14

A (conjunction) cao **B1**

Answer: A) conjunction

Question 15

D (past perfect continuous) cao **B1**

Answer: D) past perfect continuous

Question 16

C (conjunction) cao **B1**

Answer: C) conjunction

Question 17

B (simple) cao **B1**

Answer: B) simple

Question 18

A - present continuous - describes an action happening right now **B1**

Answer: A) present continuous

Question 19

D - had - past perfect, for an action completed before another past event **B1**

Answer: D) had

Question 20

A - past perfect continuous - 'had been' plus the '-ing' form describes an action that was ongoing before another past event **B1**

Answer: A) past perfect continuous

Question 21

B - verb - it shows the action Priya performed **B1**

Answer: B) verb

Question 22

B - has - agrees with the singular indefinite pronoun 'Everyone' **B1**

Answer: B) has

Question 23

B - is - with 'either...or', the verb agrees with the nearer subject, the singular 'cousin' **B1**

Answer: B) is

Question 24

D - their - agrees with the plural subject 'Both boys' **B1**

Answer: D) their

Question 25

A - was - agrees with the collective noun 'flock' treated as a single unit **B1**

Answer: A) was

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Question 26

C - was - 'neither' is a singular indefinite pronoun and takes a singular verb **B1**

Answer: C) was

Question 27

D - is - agrees with the singular, uncountable subject 'information', not the plural noun inside the prepositional phrase **B1**

Answer: D) is

Question 28

identifies 'were' as incorrect and gives 'was', agreeing with the singular subject 'crate' rather than the plural noun 'oranges' inside the prepositional phrase (cao) **B1**

Answer: 'were' should be 'was': 'The crate of oranges was delivered to the school kitchen this morning.'

Question 29

C - adjective - it describes the noun 'man' **B1**

Answer: C) adjective

Question 30

A - the players jogged off the pitch - can stand alone as a complete sentence **B1**

Answer: A) the players jogged off the pitch

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