9.5 Spelling: 10-minute Pack

STA DfE National Curriculum - English Appendix 1 (Spelling); STA KS2 English grammar, punctuation and spelling test framework · about 10 minutes

Total Marks

Name: _____ Date: ____ / ____ / _____

Answer ALL questions.

The Lighthouse Keeper's Diary

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Tuesday, 3rd March

The storm arrived without warning last night. I had never seen such wierd clouds rolling in from the sea, and the wind grew stronger with every hour. My little cottage stands seperate from the village, so I was alone when the power failed.

I keep candles in a special box for exactly this reason. The local goverment sent a letter last month reminding lighthouse keepers to be prepared, and I was glad that I had listened.

By morning the sea was calm again. Gulls searched for food along the shore, and I did not want to embarass myself by oversleeping, so I climbed the two hundred steps to check the light. It is necesary to check it every single day, whatever the weather.

Later, a small boat asked me to acommodate two tired sailors for the night. I was happy to help, and I did not want them to think I would not recieve visitors kindly. Looking after this stretch of coastline is my most treasured posession.

1 Circle the correctly spelled word in each line below.

(a) knowledge / knowlege / nowledge **(1)**

- ☐ knowledge
- ☐ knowlege
- ☐ nowledge

(b) iland / eyeland / island **(1)**

- ☐ iland
- ☐ eyeland
- ☐ island

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(c) autum / artumn / autumn **(1)**

- ☐ autum
- ☐ artumn
- ☐ autumn

(d) rist / wrist / wrisst **(1)**

- ☐ rist
- ☐ wrist
- ☐ wrisst

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2 Add the prefix dis-, mis- or un- to each base word to make a word meaning the opposite. Write the new word.

(a) appear -> **(1)**

(b) agree -> **(1)**

(c) understand -> **(1)**

(d) behave -> **(1)**

(e) kind -> **(1)**

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3 Complete each sentence using the correct spelling of one word from the box below. Each word is used only once.

Box: embarrass, accommodate, rhythm, vehicle, Parliament, pronunciation

(a) Please try not to _____ your sister in front of her friends. **(1)**

(b) The hotel can _____ up to two hundred guests. **(1)**

(c) Drummers must have a good sense of _____. **(1)**

(d) We travelled to school in a large _____. **(1)**

(e) Members of _____ voted on the new law. **(1)**

(f) His teacher corrected his _____ of the word 'February'. **(1)**

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Mark scheme · 9.5 Spelling: 10-minute Pack

Question 1

(a) circles 'knowledge' cao	B1
(a) Answer: **knowledge**	
(b) circles 'island' cao	B1
(b) Answer: **island**	
(c) circles 'autumn' cao	B1
(c) Answer: **autumn**	
(d) circles 'wrist' cao	B1
(d) Answer: **wrist**	

Question 2

(a) writes 'disappear' cao	B1
(a) Answer: **disappear**	
(b) writes 'disagree' cao	B1
(b) Answer: **disagree**	
(c) writes 'misunderstand' cao	B1
(c) Answer: **misunderstand**	
(d) writes 'misbehave' cao	B1
(d) Answer: **misbehave**	
(e) writes 'unkind' cao	B1
(e) Answer: **unkind**	

Question 3

(a) writes 'embarrass' cao	B1
(a) Answer: **embarrass**	
(b) writes 'accommodate' cao	B1
(b) Answer: **accommodate**	
(c) writes 'rhythm' cao	B1
(c) Answer: **rhythm**	
(d) writes 'vehicle' cao	B1
(d) Answer: **vehicle**	
(e) writes 'Parliament' cao (capital letter not required for the mark)	B1
(e) Answer: **Parliament**	
(f) writes 'pronunciation' cao	B1
(f) Answer: **pronunciation**	

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