9.5 Spelling: Test Pack

STA DfE National Curriculum - English Appendix 1 (Spelling); STA KS2 English grammar, punctuation and spelling test framework · about 15 minutes

Total Marks

Name: _____ Date: ____ / ____ / _____

Answer ALL questions.

The Lighthouse Keeper's Diary

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

Box: address, different, favourite, February, library

(a) My _____ month of the year is December, because of Christmas. **(1)**

(b) We borrow books from the school _____. **(1)**

(c) Please write your home _____ at the top of the letter. **(1)**

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(d) Twins can look alike but have very _____ personalities. **(1)**

(e) The shortest month of the year is _____. **(1)**

2 Complete each sentence with the correct 'ough' word: though, thought, through, enough.

(a) He _____ carefully about the answer before writing it down. **(1)**

(b) The train went _____ a long, dark tunnel. **(1)**

(c) I have had _____ to eat, thank you. **(1)**

(d) _____ she was tired, she carried on walking. **(1)**

3 Write the plural form of each word below.

(a) potato -> **(1)**

(b) family -> **(1)**

(c) bus -> **(1)**

(d) monkey -> **(1)**

(e) half -> **(1)**

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4 Add the suffix -ation to each verb to make a noun. Write the new word.

(a) inform -> **(1)**

(b) prepare -> **(1)**

(c) imagine -> **(1)**

(d) admire -> **(1)**

5 Rewrite each phrase using a possessive apostrophe.

(a) the coat belonging to the girl **(1)**

(b) the toys belonging to the children **(1)**

(c) the bones belonging to the dogs (more than one dog) **(1)**

(d) the pens belonging to James **(1)**

(e) the homework belonging to the boys (more than one boy) **(1)**

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Mark scheme · 9.5 Spelling: Test Pack

Question 1

(a) writes 'favourite' cao **B1**
(a) Answer: **favourite**
(b) writes 'library' cao **B1**
(b) Answer: **library**
(c) writes 'address' cao **B1**
(c) Answer: **address**
(d) writes 'different' cao **B1**
(d) Answer: **different**
(e) writes 'February' cao (capital letter not required for the mark) **B1**
(e) Answer: **February**

Question 2

(a) writes 'thought' cao **B1**
(a) Answer: **thought**
(b) writes 'through' cao **B1**
(b) Answer: **through**
(c) writes 'enough' cao **B1**
(c) Answer: **enough**
(d) writes 'Though' or 'Although' cao **B1**
(d) Answer: **Though**

Question 3

(a) writes 'potatoes' cao **B1**
(a) Answer: **potatoes**
(b) writes 'families' cao **B1**
(b) Answer: **families**
(c) writes 'buses' cao (busses is an accepted variant) **B1**
(c) Answer: **buses**
(d) writes 'monkeys' cao **B1**
(d) Answer: **monkeys**
(e) writes 'halves' cao **B1**
(e) Answer: **halves**

Question 4

(a) writes 'information' cao **B1**
(a) Answer: **information**
(b) writes 'preparation' cao (final e dropped) **B1**
(b) Answer: **preparation**
(c) writes 'imagination' cao (final e dropped) **B1**
(c) Answer: **imagination**
(d) writes 'admiration' cao (final e dropped) **B1**
(d) Answer: **admiration**

Question 5

(a) writes 'the girl's coat' cao **B1**
(a) Answer: **the girl's coat**
(b) writes 'the children's toys' cao **B1**
(b) Answer: **the children's toys**
(c) writes 'the dogs' bones' cao **B1**
(c) Answer: **the dogs' bones**
(d) writes 'James's pens' oe (James' pens also accepted) **B1**
(d) Answer: **James's pens (oe: James' pens)**
(e) writes 'the boys' homework' cao **B1**
(e) Answer: **the boys' homework**

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