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Dear Year 6 Parents and Carers,

This week's homework focuses on preparing the children for their upcoming SATs by revising key SPaG (Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar) skills.

Your child has been given a SPaG practice paper to complete at home. Once they have finished the paper, they should mark it themselves using the answers provided. This will help them see which questions they found tricky and identify any gaps in their understanding.

After marking the work, please encourage your child to highlight or note down any areas they need to improve. They can then scan the QR code at the bottom of this letter, which will direct them to a selection of revision videos and activities. From there, they should choose the specific revision topic(s) linked to the areas they need to strengthen.

Thank you for continuing to support your child with their learning at home. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Kind regards,

Mrs Aspinall



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## Year 6 English Grammar and Punctuation Test 1

1. **Circle** the object in this sentence.

I stroked the cat carefully.

1 mark
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2. **Fill in the gaps** in the sentence below using the passive form of the verb in the boxes.

After he  his breakfast, the dog  by his owner.

to give

to walk

1 mark
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3. **Add** a comma to this sentence in the correct place.

Although she had left on time she was late for school.




1 mark
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4. Read this sentence. Which punctuation mark is missing from the box? **Circle one.**

It's very hot today  you'd better put on some sunscreen.

colon

semi colon

comma

question mark

1 mark
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5. Which sentence is punctuated correctly? **Tick one.**

I have two hobbies; painting and hockey.

I have two hobbies painting and hockey.

I have two hobbies: painting and hockey.

1 mark

6. What does the word 'swiftly' mean in this sentence? **Tick one.**

The owl flew **swiftly** towards its prey.

gradually

quickly

slowly

casually

1 mark

7. **Circle** the subject in this sentence.

On Thursday, Millie played at her friend's house.

1 mark

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8. Replace the verb in this sentence with the correct Standard English form.

1 mark

I **were** first to arrive at the park.

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9. Read the passage below. Tick the pair of **pronouns** which best complete the sentence.

1 mark

My brother and I love ice-skating and  both have a pair of skates.

are much better than the skates you hire from the ice-rink.

us / We

me / It

we / They

me / Them

10. Circle the **relative pronoun** in the sentence below.

1 mark

It's too rainy for the picnic today, which is a shame.

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<p>1 I stroked the <u>cat</u> carefully.</p>	<p>1 mark</p>
<p>2 After he <u>was given</u> his breakfast, the dog <u>was walked</u> by his owner.</p>	<p>1 mark</p>
<p>3 Although she had left on time she was late for school.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> <input type="checkbox"/>                      <input type="checkbox"/>                      <input type="checkbox"/>              ↑                                      ↑                                      ↑         </p>	<p>1 mark</p>
<p>4 colon <u>semi colon</u> comma question mark</p>	<p>1 mark</p>
<p>5 I have two hobbies; painting and hockey. <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>I have two hobbies painting and hockey. <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>I have two hobbies: painting and hockey. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>1 mark</p>

<p>6 gradually <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>quickly <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>slowly <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>casually <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>1 mark</p>
<p>7 On Thursday, <u>Millie</u> played at her friend's house.</p>	<p>1 mark</p>
<p>8 <input type="text" value="was"/></p>	<p>1 mark</p>
<p>9 us / We <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>me / It <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>we / They <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>me / Them <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>1 mark</p>
<p>10 It's too rainy for the picnic today, <u>which</u> is a shame.</p>	<p>1 mark</p>

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### Year 6 English Grammar and Punctuation Test 2

1. Fill in the gaps in the sentence below using the past progressive form of the verb in the boxes.

1 mark

While I  on the slide, my dad was  my sister on the swing.

to play                       to push

2. Add brackets to this sentence in the correct place.

1 mark

The children who were very excited couldn't wait to meet the Queen.

3. Circle the relative pronoun in this sentence.

1 mark

This is the girl who helps out at the weekends.

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4. Which sentence is the most likely to happen? **Tick one.**

We could go to the swimming pool today.

He can come to my party today.

She will buy some new shoes today.

They might have fish fingers for tea today.

1 mark

5. **Circle** the ellipsis in this sentence.

Jim slowly turned his head as behind him the solid oak door swung silently open...

1 mark

6. **Draw lines** to match the informal words to their formal synonym.

find out

request

go in

discover

ask for

prepare

get ready

enter

1 mark

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7. **Rewrite** the sentence below so that it begins with the adverbial. Use only the same words and remember to punctuate your sentence correctly.

1 mark

The wizard mixed up a new spell late at night.

8. In a café, a waiter is very busy taking orders. He has lots of customers. Bearing this in mind, which sentence is correctly punctuated? **Tick one.**

1 mark

The waiter took the customers order's.

The waiter took the customer's orders.

The waiter took the customers' orders.

9. **Circle all the determiners** in the sentence below.

1 mark

The man's hair was very long, so my uncle cut it using a pair of the clippers he owns.

10. **Underline** the subordinate clause in this sentence.

1 mark

I don't need a school dinner today because I have brought sandwiches.

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<p>1 While I was <b>playing</b> on the slide, my dad was <b>pushing</b> my sister on the swing.</p>	<p>1 mark</p>
<p>2 The children (who were very excited) couldn't wait to meet the Queen.</p>	<p>1 mark</p>
<p>3 This is the girl <b>who</b> helps out at the weekends.</p>	<p>1 mark</p>
<p>4 We could go to the swimming pool today. <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>He can come to my party today. <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>She will buy some new shoes today. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>They might have fish fingers for tea today. <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>1 mark</p>
<p>5 Jim slowly turned his head as behind him the solid oak door swung silently open <b>(...)</b></p>	<p>1 mark</p>

<p>6</p> <p>find out      request</p> <p>go in      discover</p> <p>ask for      prepare</p> <p>get ready      enter</p>	<p>1 mark</p>
<p>7</p> <p>Late at night, the wizard mixed up a new spell.</p>	<p>1 mark</p>
<p>8 The waiter took the customers order's. <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>The waiter took the customer's orders. <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>The waiter took the customers' orders. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>1 mark</p>
<p>9 <b>The</b> man's hair was very long, so my uncle cut it using <b>a</b> pair of <b>the</b> clippers he owns.</p>	<p>1 mark</p>
<p>10 I don't need a school dinner today <b>because</b> <b>I have brought sandwiches.</b></p>	<p>1 mark</p>

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## Year 6 English Grammar and Punctuation Test 3

1. Fill in the gap in the sentence below using the present perfect form of the verb in the box.

You  since I last saw you.

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to grow

1 mark

2. Circle the word or words that make this sentence a question.

You went to Ireland for your holiday, didn't you?

1 mark

3. Which sentence uses inverted commas correctly? Tick one.

"Harry! Come quickly! shouted Mum".

"Harry!" Come quickly!" shouted Mum.

"Harry! Come quickly!" shouted Mum.

1 mark

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4. What type of word is underlined in this sentence? **Tick one.**

Alex said that we could go to his house to play.

noun

verb

determiner

1 mark

5. Which box shows where a comma should be used? **Tick one.**

Since moving to the city Tanya had struggled to make new friends.

1 mark

6. **Circle** the modal verbs in this sentence.

If I can leave early, I would like to meet Anna at the park, as she said she might be there.

1 mark

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7. **Complete** the sentence below using the correct conjunctions. Use each conjunction once only.

You can have butter  jam  marmalade on your toast,  we don't have any honey.

and                      but                      or

1 mark

8. Read this sentence. Which words in the table below show a synonym and an antonym for the word 'considerate'? **Tick one pair.**

Cinderella was nothing like her sisters - she was sweet and considerate.

synonym	antonym	Tick one pair
kind	naughty	
thoughtful	selfish	
generous	uncaring	

1 mark

9. **Add the correct possessive determiner** to the sentence below.

Gran smiled slowly and reached out  hand.

1 mark

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10. Tick **one box** to show whether the word 'before' is used as a preposition or a subordinating conjunction.

1 mark

Sentence	'before' used as a subordinating conjunction	'before' used as a preposition
We left the cinema before the film had ended.		
Simon finished before Paul in the race.		
Train tickets are often cheaper before 9am.		



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1 You  since I last saw you. 1 mark

2 You went to Ireland for your holiday,  1 mark

3 "Harry! Come quickly!" shouted Mum.  1 mark  
 "Harry!" Come quickly!" shouted Mum.   
 "Harry! Come quickly!" shouted Mum.

4 noun  1 mark  
 verb   
 determiner

5 Since moving to the city Tanya had  1 mark  
 struggled to make new friends.

6 If I  leave early, I  like to meet Anna at the park, as she said she  be there. 1 mark

7 You can have butter  jam  marmalade on your toast,  we don't have any honey. 1 mark

8 

synonym	antonym	Tick one pair
kind	naughty	
thoughtful	selfish	X
generous	uncaring	

 1 mark

9 Gran smiled slowly and reached out  hand. 1 mark

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Sentence	'before' used as a subordinating conjunction	'before' used as a preposition
We left the cinema before the film had ended.	X	
Simon finished before Paul in the race.		X
Train tickets are often cheaper before 9am.		X

 1 mark

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**Year 6 English Grammar and Punctuation Test 4**

1. Read the sentence below. **Tick one word** that is closest in meaning to the word 'dragged'.

Ali dragged the box out from the back of the cupboard.

carried

packed

pulled

lifted

1 mark

2. **Circle the direct speech** in this sentence.

"Watch out!" cried the farmer.

1 mark

3. Read the sentences below. **Tick the preposition** which best completes **both** sentences.

She starts  her new school next week.

Jim and John are  the cinema this afternoon.

in

at

around

1 mark

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4. The sentence below has an error. **Circle the error and write the correction below.**

We wasn't very happy being stuck in the traffic jam.

1 mark

5. **Underline the adverbial phrase** in this sentence.

The music teacher played the piano better than her student.

1 mark

6. Read the words below. **Tick one suffix** which would correctly change each noun into a verb.

Noun	ate	ify	ise
apology			
solid			
medicine			

1 mark

7. **Complete** the sentence below using the past perfect tense.

He is sure that he  her before.

↑

1 mark

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8. Read these sentences. **Tick one box for each sentence** to show whether it is written in the active voice or passive voice.

1 mark

Sentence	Active voice	Passive voice
Our dog burst my brother's football.		
My brother's football was burst by our dog.		

9. Read the sentences below. **Tick** the sentence which uses a **semi-colon** correctly.

1 mark

Jack is a boy Jill; is a girl.

Jack is a boy; Jill is a girl.

Jack is a boy Jill is; a girl.

Jack; is a boy Jill is a girl.

10. Which list punctuates bullet points correctly? **Tick one.**

1 mark

To make a cake you will need:

- flour
- sugar
- eggs
- butter

To make a cake you will need:

- flour,
- sugar;
- eggs
- butter,

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1 carried   
 packed   
 pulled   
 lifted  1 mark

2 'Watch out!' tried the farmer. 1 mark

3 in   
 at   
 around  1 mark

4 We wasn't very happy being stuck in the traffic jam. 1 mark

5 The music teacher played the piano better than her student. 1 mark

6

Noun	ate	ify	ise
apology			X
solid		X	
medicine	X		

7 He is sure that he  her before. 1 mark

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Sentence	Active voice	Passive voice
Our dog burst my brother's football.	X	
My brother's football was burst by our dog.		X

9 Jack is a boy Jill; is a girl.   
 Jack is a boy; Jill is a girl.   
 Jack is a boy Jill is; a girl.   
 Jack; is a boy Jill is a girl.  1 mark

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To make a cake you will need:

- flour
- sugar
- eggs
- butter

To make a cake you will need

- flour
- sugar
- eggs
- butter

1 mark

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## Year 6 English Grammar and Punctuation Test 5

1. **Draw lines** to match the words to the correct prefix.

super

freeze

auto

market

anti

biography

1 mark

2. **Add 'a' or 'an'** to the sentence below.

I need to get  loaf of bread,  pint of milk and  orange from the shops.

1 mark

3. The sentence below is missing dashes. **Add a pair of dashes** so that the sentence is punctuated correctly.

My favourite sandwich filling egg mayonnaise is also my Mum's favourite.

1 mark

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4. Use a **prefix** at the start of each verb to make it mean the opposite.

1 mark

respect

understand

activate

5. Read the sentences below. **Tick one box** to show which sentence uses a colon correctly.

1 mark

We've chosen two cities to visit London: and Paris.

We've chosen: two cities to visit London and Paris.

We've chosen two cities: to visit London and Paris

We've chosen two cities to visit: London and Paris.

6. **Circle the adverb** in this sentence.

1 mark

I might go swimming today, or perhaps I'll go tomorrow instead.

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7. Rewrite the sentence below in the active voice.

1 mark

Bread is baked and sold by the baker.

8. Read the passage below. Tick one adverbial which would complete it.

1 mark

I think it might be best if we travelled to the airport on the train. , if we go in the car we won't have to carry the cases as far.

As a consequence

In contrast

On the other hand

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9. Which option completes the sentence below so that it uses the subjunctive mood? **Tick one.**

1 mark

I wish  able to come to your party, but I'm afraid I will be busy.

I was

I will be

I would be

I were

10. Which list uses colons and semi-colons correctly? **Tick one.**

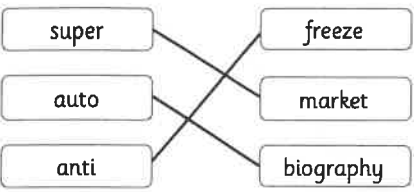
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Four schools attended the choral contest: Woodside; Farmbridge; Collington and Maybrook.

Four schools attended the choral contest; Woodside: Farmbridge: Collington: and Maybrook.

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1  1 mark

2 I need to get  loaf of bread,  pint of milk and  orange from the shops. 1 mark

3 My favourite sandwich filling - egg mayonnaise - is also my Mum's favourite. 1 mark

4  respect  
 understand  
 activate 1 mark

5 We've chosen two cities to visit London: and Paris.  1 mark  
 We've chosen: two cities to visit London and Paris.   
 We've chosen two cities: to visit London and Paris   
 We've chosen two cities to visit: London and Paris.

6 I might go swimming today, or perhaps I'll go tomorrow instead. 1 mark

7  1 mark

8 As a consequence   
 In contrast   
 On the other hand  1 mark

9 I was   
 I will be   
 I would be   
 I were  1 mark

10 Four schools attended the choral contest: Woodside; Farmbridge; Collington and Maybrook  1 mark  
 Four schools attended the choral contest; Woodside: Farmbridge: Collington: and Maybrook.