2019 national curriculum tests

Key stage 1

English grammar, punctuation and spelling test mark schemes

Paper 1: spelling

Paper 2: questions



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1. Introduction

The Standards and Testing Agency (STA) is responsible for the development and delivery of national tests and assessments. STA is an executive agency of the Department for Education.

The 2019 tests assess the national curriculum. This test has been developed to meet the specification set out in the <u>test framework</u>¹ for English grammar, punctuation and spelling at key stage 1.

This key stage 1 English grammar, punctuation and spelling test is not statutory. The key stage 1 tests can be marked internally within schools to inform teacher assessment. The evidence from the test can be used to help inform teacher assessment of writing.

A new test and new mark schemes will be produced each year.

Scaled score conversion tables are not included in this document. Conversion tables will be produced as part of the standards maintenance process. <u>Scaled score conversion tables</u>² for the 2019 tests will be published in June 2019.

The mark schemes are provided to use when marking pupils' responses. The pupil examples are based on responses gathered from the test trialling process.

2. Structure of the test

The key stage 1 English grammar, punctuation and spelling test materials comprise:

- Paper 1: spelling (20 marks)
- Paper 2: questions (20 marks).

3. Content domain coverage

The 2019 test meets the specification in the test framework. Tables 1 and 2 set out the areas of the content domain that are assessed in Papers 1 and 2.

4. Internal moderation procedures

We recommend those who are involved in marking the key stage 1 tests undertake moderation activity to ensure marking is consistent across their school.

¹ www.gov.uk/government/publications/key-stage-1-english-grammar-punctuation-and-spelling-test-framework

² www.gov.uk/guidance/scaled-scores-at-key-stage-1

5. Paper 1: spelling

5.1 Content domain coverage for Paper 1: spelling

This information is provided in the mark schemes in Table 1.

5.2 General marking guidance for Paper 1: spelling

The following guidance applies to all questions in Paper 1. Please read this carefully before applying the individual mark schemes.

- If a pupil makes more than one attempt, it must be clear which answer the pupil wishes to be marked.
- If a pupil makes two or more attempts and it is not clear which answer should be considered, the mark is not awarded.
- Pupils can answer in upper or lower case, or a mixture of the two. The exception
 to this is for days of the week, which must be written with an initial capital letter
 for the mark to be awarded.
- If a pupil has answered with the correct sequence of letters but has incorrectly inserted an apostrophe or a hyphen, the mark is not awarded.
- If a pupil has answered with the correct sequence of letters but these have been separated into clearly divided components, with or without a hyphen, the mark is not awarded.
- If a pupil uses a reversed letter, it must be unambiguous for the award of the mark. Markers may refer to the pupil's handwriting in the rest of the paper to decide whether or not the letter is ambiguous.
- Crossed-out answers that have not been replaced by a further attempt should not be awarded the mark.

5.3 Pupil version of Paper 1: spelling

	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		4
	11. There was a spare on the bus.	12. The detective found α	13. That was a film!	14. We will dassrooms next year.	15. They went theway.	16. Remember to off the light.	17. Coins are made out of	18. In maths, we learnt what a is.	19. The audience loudly.	20. Our teacher tells us the stories.	End of spelling test	Page 3 of 4
		\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc		
Spelling	We always the rabbits before school.	The display is on the	his teddy a hug.	Matt ate a slice of	Amy moved the	is four years old.	My friend has very long	What is all theabout?	My cousin is saving up to a scooter.	Please read that story	came out at night.	

6. Mark schemes for Paper 1: spelling

Information relating to the content domain reference codes can be found in the key stage 1 English grammar, punctuation and spelling test framework.

Table 1: Mark schemes and content domain references for Paper 1

Qu.	Spelling	М.	Primary content domain reference	Secondary content domain reference
1	wall	1	S27 - the /ɔ:/ sound spelt a before / and //	
2	gave	1	S4 – the /v/ sound at the end of words	
3	bread	1	S8 – vowel digraphs and trigraphs	S36 – homophones and near-homophones
4	boxes	1	S5 – adding -s and -es to words (plural of nouns and the third-person singular of verbs)	
5	brother	1	S28 – the /n/ sound spelt o	
6	hair	1	S8 – vowel digraphs and trigraphs	S36 – homophones and near-homophones
7	fuss	1	S1 – the sounds /f/, /l/, /s/, /z/ and /k/ spelt ff, ll, ss, zz and ck	
8	buy	1	S36 - homophones and near-homophones	
9	again	1	S37 – common exception words	
10	mice	1	S15 – the /s/ sound spelt c before e, i and y	
11	seat	1	S8 – vowel digraphs and trigraphs	
12	footprint	1	S12 – compound words	S8 – vowel digraphs and trigraphs
13	scary	1	S25 – adding the endings -ing, -ed, -er, -est and -y to words ending in -e with a consonant before it	
14	change	1	S14 – the /dʒ/ sound spelt as -ge and -dge at the end of words, and sometimes spelt as g elsewhere in words before e, i and y	
15	wrong	1	S17 - the /r/ sound spelt wr at the beginning of words	
16	switch	1	S3 – -tch	
17	metal	1	S20 - the /l/ or /əl/ sound spelt -al at the end of words	
18	fraction	1	S35 – words ending in -tion	
19	clapped	1	S26 – adding -ing, -ed, -er, -est and -y to words of one syllable ending in a single consonant letter after a single vowel letter	
20	funniest	1	S24 – adding -ed, -ing, -er and -est to a root word ending in -y with a consonant before it	
To	otal marks	20		

7. Paper 2: questions

7.1 Content domain coverage for Paper 2: questions

Table 2 sets out the content domain coverage for Paper 2. Information relating to these codes can be found in the key stage 1 English grammar, punctuation and spelling test framework.

Table 2: Content domain coverage for Paper 2

	G1	G2	G3	G4	G5	G6
	Grammatical terms / word classes	Functions of sentences	Combining words, phrases and clauses	Verb tenses and consistency	Punctuation	Vocabulary
1						1
2		1				
3			1			
4					1	
5						1
6			1			
7					1	
8				1		
9					1	
10	1					
11					1	
12	1					
13	1					
14					1	
15	1					
16		1			1	
17					1	
18				1		
19				1		

7.2 General marking guidance for Paper 2: questions

To ensure consistency of marking, the most frequent procedural queries are listed in Table 3, along with the action you should take. The following guidance applies to all questions in Paper 2. Please read this carefully before applying the individual mark schemes.

Table 3: General marking principles for Paper 2

Question type	Accept	Do not accept
Tick boxes and tables	 any unambiguous indication of the correct answer, e.g. the box is crossed rather than ticked the correct answer is circled rather than ticked correct answers that replace a crossed-out attempt 	answers in which more than the required number of boxes have been ticked
Circling of the answer	 any unambiguous indication of the correct answer, e.g. the answer is underlined the answer is enclosed within a box 	 answers in which more than the required number of words have been circled answers in which the correct answer is circled, together with more than half of any surrounding words
Drawing lines to 'match' boxes	lines that do not touch the boxes, provided the intention is clear	multiple lines drawn to/from the same box (unless this is a question requirement)
Writing or inserting punctuation	correctly formed punctuation that is clear, unambiguous and recognisable as the required punctuation mark	punctuation that is ambiguous, e.g. it is unclear whether the mark is a comma or full stop

Question type	Accept	Do not accept
Additional punctuation	answers that are punctuated correctly according to the mark scheme, even if additional punctuation has been attempted incorrectly Pupils may try to use inverted commas around spoken words. This is beyond the key stage 1 programme of study and should not be taken into account when considering whether the answer is correct according to the mark scheme.	answers that do not meet the mark scheme criteria
Spelling (in Paper 2 only)	incorrect spellings of the correct answer, unless specific mark scheme guidance is given to require a correct spelling	incorrect spellings of answers for which the mark scheme requires correct spelling For questions assessing contracted forms, verb forms, plurals, prefixes and suffixes, correct spelling is generally required.
Answers outside the expected space	 a correct answer given somewhere other than the answer space, provided it is not contradicted by another answer written elsewhere correct answers that are written in the 'blank' within a question, rather than in the expected space below it correct answers in which the pupil has written out a word or sentence that is already provided 	answers that are given outside the expected space and are contradicted by another answer written elsewhere
More than one answer given	multiple answers that are all correct according to the mark scheme	both correct and incorrect responses given

Question type	Accept	Do not accept
Handwriting	answers that are clear, unambiguous and recognisable, including letters that have been reversed, but which are still clearly identifiable to the marker	answers that are unclear or ambiguous
Capital letters	 capital letters that are clear and unambiguous Where letters do not have unique capital letter forms, the height of the capital letter will be the same as, or greater than, that of letters with ascenders. Markers may refer to the pupil's handwriting in the rest of the paper to distinguish between upper and lower case letters. 	answers in which capital letters are omitted or placed inappropriately in a sentence, or where an entire word is capitalised Where a pupil needs to write, rewrite or complete a sentence, the correct use of capital letters is required.
Crossed-out answers	correct answers that replace a crossed-out attempt	crossed-out answers

7.3 Explanation of the mark schemes for Paper 2: questions

Those marking the tests should familiarise themselves with the marking guidance in section 7.2 of this document before applying the mark schemes.

The practice questions are not marked as they are completed by the pupils together with the test administrator as an introduction to the test.

The mark schemes contain the following information for each question:

- the question number
- the question from the test paper
- what is required to answer each question either a correct answer or examples of different types of creditworthy response
- how many marks are available for this question
- any additional guidance that may be relevant.

8. Mark schemes for Paper 2: questions

Qu.	Requirement	Mark					
1	Draw lines to join two words that can become one word.	1m					
	One has been done for you.						
	Award 1 mark for all three lines correctly drawn.						
	Word 1 Word 2						
	white ship						
	rain board						
	tooth coat						
	space paste						
2	The sentences below have their punctuation marks covered.	1m					
	Which sentence is a question ?						
	Award 1 mark for the correct box ticked.						
	I have finished my puzzle						
	Find me a new puzzle						
	Where is my puzzle						
	What a tricky puzzle this is Also accept an unambiguous indication of the answer, e.g. a question mark inserted at						
	the end of the sentence.						
3	Tick the correct word to complete the sentence below.	1m					
	We will go cycling we arrive home in time.						
	Award 1 mark for the correct box ticked.						
	that						
	or but						
	if 🔽						
	Additional guidance:						
	If a box is ticked and an answer is written on the line, mark only the response in the box.						

Qu.	Requirement	Mark
4	Which sentence is punctuated correctly?	1m
	Award 1 mark for the correct box ticked.	
	There are some foxes living in the woods	
	there are some foxes living in the woods	
	There are some foxes living in the woods.	
	there are some foxes living in the woods.	
5	Which word can have the letters <u>un</u> in front of it to make another word?	1m
	Award 1 mark for the correct box ticked.	
	tie 🗸	
	big	
	hot	
	sit	
6	Circle one word in the sentence below that can be replaced with the word <u>but</u> .	1m
	Award 1 mark for the correct word identified.	
	Paul and Anil went to music club(and)Joe went home.	
	Also award the mark for but written above or below the word and.	
7	Add one exclamation mark in the correct place below.	1m
	Award 1 mark for an exclamation mark after amazing.	
	Our school play was amazing! I loved the costumes.	
8	Rewrite the verb in the box to complete the sentence in the correct tense .	1m
	Award 1 mark for the correct verb inserted.	
	Emily ran to school and met Li at the gate.	
	run	
	Do not accept misspellings of the verb.	
9	Tick the sentence with the correct punctuation.	1m
	Award 1 mark for the correct box ticked.	
	We saw sheep cows, and birds on our walk.	
	We saw sheep, cows and birds on our walk.	
	We saw sheep cows and birds on our walk.	
	We saw, sheep cows and birds on our walk.	

Qu.	Requirement	Mark					
10	Circle the two adjectives in the sentence below.	1m					
	Award 1 mark for the two correct words identified.						
	The new supermarket is the biggest in town.						
11	Which sentence needs one more capital letter?	1m					
	Award 1 mark for the correct box ticked.						
	They moved house last March.						
	They live in a city called Chester. Their friend is called ben Edwards.						
	Their school play is on Tuesday.						
12	Circle the noun in the sentence below.	1m					
	Award 1 mark for the correct word identified.						
	The talented dancer moved gracefully.						
13	What type of word is flew in the sentence below?	1m					
	The green parrot <u>flew</u> to the top of the tree.						
	Award 1 mark for the correct box ticked.						
	an adjective						
	a noun an adverb						
	a verb						
14	Add one question mark and one full stop in the correct places below.	1m					
	Award 1 mark for a question mark after yet and a full stop after float.						
	Can you swim yet? Tom can swim without a float.						
	Do not accept the insertion of additional punctuation.						
15	Add a suffix to the word <u>light</u> in the sentence below to make an adverb .	1m					
	Award 1 mark for the letters ly written in lower case.						
	It was raining light <u>u</u> at playtime today.						
	Also award the mark for lightly written out in full and spelt correctly.						

Qu.	Requirement	Mark						
16	Use only the words in the box below to write a statement .							
	flower the grow will							
	Remember to use correct punctuation.							
	Award 2 marks for a grammatically correct statement using only the words given with correct punctuation (see additional guidance), e.g.							
	The flower will grow.							
	The flower will grow!The flower will grow							
	Also award 2 marks for a grammatically correct statement with variations in suffixes or determiners with correct punctuation, e.g.							
	The flowers will grow.Will grows the flower.							
	Award 1 mark for a grammatically correct statement using only the words given with incorrect punctuation (see additional guidance), e.g.							
	 The flower will grow? The Flower will grow! 							
	Also award 1 mark for a grammatically correct statement with variations in suffixes or determiners with incorrect punctuation, e.g.							
	the flowers will grow							
	Do not accept other sentence types, e.g.							
	Will the flower grow?Grow the flower, Will!							
	Additional guidance:							
	 Correct punctuation refers to correct use of sentence demarcation in the sentence – other incorrect or omitted punctuation should not be penalised. Incorrect spelling should not be penalised, unless a misspelling creates a grammatically incorrect sentence, e.g. <i>The flower will grows</i>. Attempts to punctuate the whole sentence as direct speech should not be penalised. 							

Qu.	Requirement				Mark		
17	Circle the correct option in ea	ach box to comple	te the sentences.		1m		
	Shall we start looking for	ure hunt.	ified.				
18	Write one verb to complete the sentence below. Fred is						
19	Tick to show whether each se	_	ast tense or the pr	esent tense.	1m		
	Award 1 mark for all three c	orrect.					
	Sentence	Past tense	Present tense				
	Samir enjoys cooking.		√				
	Eva laughed at the joke.	✓					
	Poppy caught the ball.	✓		Page 15 of 16			



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