 **NARROGIN SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL** 

**Task 12**

**English Year 8**

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| **Student: Teacher: Date Due:** | | |
| **Assessment Type:** Writing  **Weighting: 2.5%**  **Task:** Spelling and Grammar Test  **Mark: ( / 50 x 2)**  **= /100** | | |
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| **Spelling Test** | | |
| **Word** | **Correction** | **½ mark each** |
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**Answer the questions below, make sure to complete all parts of the question.**

**Tense – Identify the simple tense of the underlined verbs as past (p), present (pr) or future (f).**

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| 1. 1. The bombing will destroy most of the city. | **p / pr / f** |  |
| 1. 2. Most of the soldiers hate the war. | **p / pr / f** |  |
| 1. 3. They saw all the damage in the city. | **p / pr / f** |  |
| 1. 4. Everyone wants the war to be over. | **p / pr / f** |  |

**Compound verbs – Highlight the two compound verbs in each of the sentences and write them in the space provided.**

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| 1. 5. During the holidays, the school was taking a group of   students to the mountains where they would learn to ski. | 1. **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** 2. **­­\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_­** |  |
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| 1. 6. My brother is going on the trip, even though he has been   to the snow many times before. | 1. **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** 2. **­­\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_­** |  |
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**‘To be’ and ‘to have’ verbs – Are the underlined verbs being used as complete verbs (c) or auxiliary verbs (a) in the sentences?**

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| 1. 7. The traffic jam on the freeway was caused by an accident. | **c / a** |  |
| 1. 8. This was the longest delay ever on the freeway. | **c / a** |  |
| 1. 9. It has been impossible to move for over an hour. | **c / a** |  |

**Agreement – Highlight the correct alternative in these sentences.**

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| 1. 10. This forest of gum trees ( is / are ) thousands of years old. |  |
| 1. 11. Johnno and his sister ( go / goes ) camping in the forest. |  |
| 1. 12. In a bush fire, the leaves of the trees ( explode / explodes ) into flames and   ( burn / burns ) fiercely. |  |

**Adjectives – Label each of the underlined words as either an adjective of number (n), of quantity (q), a demonstrative adjective (d) or an article (a).**

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| 1. 13. Those trees are needed to stop some run-off during   floods. | **those \_\_\_\_\_**  **Some \_\_\_\_** |  |
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| 1. 14. It would be good if we could plant a million trees. | **a \_\_\_\_\_**  **million \_\_\_\_** |  |
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**Common and proper nouns – Label all the proper (p) and common (c) nouns in this sentence.**

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| 15. Islam is the religion with the most followers in the Middle East. | **Common** |
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**Concrete and abstract nouns – Select the concrete noun to complete this sentence.**

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| 1. 16. People say that ( honesty / money ) is the most important thing in life. |  |

**Adverbs – Highlight the adverb of manner (m) and the adverb of time (t) in the sentence.**

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| 1. 17. She went immediately to the start and qualified easily   for the final. | 1. **h** 2. **m \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** 3. **t \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** |  |

**Prepositions – Highlight the two prepositions in this sentence.**

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| 1. 18. She had a problem with the heating in her hotel room. |  |

**Words that sound alike – Choose the correct alternatives from the brackets.**

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| 1. 19. He needed to ( accept / except ) the ( advice / advise ) of his coach and put in three   hours of ( practice / practise ) each day. | **1 mark for all 3** |

**Punctuation – Use three capital letters and three full stops to punctuate the passage.**

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| 1. 20. she loved her new car it cost a fortune now she was broke | **1 mark for all 6** |

**Semicolon – Place a semicolon where required in the sentence.**

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| 1. 21. Isabella wants to rent an apartment therefore, she needs references. |  |

**Quotation Marks – Correctly punctuate the passage using the rules of dialogue.**

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| 1. 22. The bank manager asked How much do you want to invest?  Actually Julia replied I’ve come in to ask for a loan | **1 mark for all 10** |

**Apostrophes – Choose the correct alternative from each bracket.**

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| 1. 23. The ( governments / government’s / governments’ ) decision was final. |  |
| 1. 24. ( We’re / Wear / Where ) voting for the first time at the next election. |  |
| 1. 25. Most of the ( voters / voter’s / voters’ ) are still not sure who to vote for. |  |
| 1. 26. Years later, Professor ( Browns / Brown’s / Brown’ ) results were proven to be correct. |  |
| 1. 27. He ( want / wont / won’t) know the results until tomorrow. |  |
| 1. 28. Many ( scientists / scientist’s / scientists’ )( experiments / experiment’s / experiments’ )   lead to important discoveries for medicine. |  |
| 1. 29. The ( doctors / doctor’s / doctors’ ) decided that the ( patients / patient’s / patients’ )   heart was getting worse. |  |

**Apostrophes – Punctuate the passages. There are four apostrophes missing from each.**

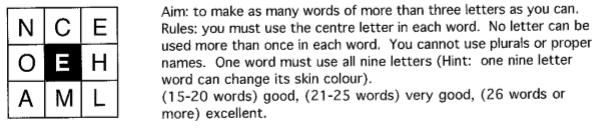
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1. Hes very smart but not very good at Mathematics. He thinks its because, when he was in primary school, he didnt learn his tables. Maybe thats true, but he never shows much interest either.
2. The football teams new coach is very experienced. He played for many years in the state league and hes been coaching for a long time. His last team was very successful. He hasnt had any problems there – he just wants a change, so theyre very lucky to get him.
3. Her father usually lets her come on our hikes, but this time he says the trip up the gorge is too dangerous. I dont agree, because weve got the right equipment, theres plenty of water available and tomorrows weather is going to be perfect.

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**EXTRA TIME**

**Word Game**



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