 **NARROGIN SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL** 

**Task 10**

**English Year 9**

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| **ANSWER KEY** |
| **Assessment Type:** Writing  **Weighting: 2.5%**  **Task:** Spelling and Grammar Test  **Mark out of 100** |
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**Spelling Test – Please select your own words from the orthographic word lists.  
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**Phrases and clauses – There is a clause underlined in each sentence. Label it as either noun (n), adjectival (a) or adverbial (av).**

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| 1. 1. The parents bought presents from everywhere they had been on holiday. | **n / a / av** |  |
| 1. 2. Most of the temples that contained treasure were robbed. | **n / a / av** |  |
| 1. 3. Each passenger waved as they went through the departure gate. | **n / a / av** |  |

**Pronouns – Is the underlined pronoun first (1), second (2) or third (3) person?**

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| 1. 4. Their travels seem to be a lot more interesting than ours. | **1 / 2 / 3­** |  |
| 1. 5. They were very impressed with the ancient Aztec ruins. | **1 / 2 / 3­** |  |
| 1. 6. The guide told you that they were very advanced people. | **1 / 2 / 3­** |  |

**Pronouns in narrative – Below are the beginnings of three pieces of writing. Identify each as written in the first (1), second (2) or third (3) person. Then link them with their purpose on the right by drawing a line.**

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| 1. 7. It seems that, in the future, your friend needs to listen   more carefully to your opinion. **1 / 2 / 3­** | To tell the story of a person’s life. |  | **1 mark for both** |
| 1. 8. Boris Czenko is one of the tallest men in the world, having   reached a height of over 2.5 metres. **1 / 2 / 3­** | To give advice on a person’s problems. |  |  |
| 1. 9. It is my belief that we need to take the problem of global   warming seriously. **1 / 2 / 3­** | To explain a personal opinion. |  |  |

**Conjunctions – Does the underlined conjunction: a) connect words, b) add on a phrase, c) connect clauses at the beginning or middle of a sentence, or d) work in a pair?**

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| 1. 10. Many countries in Africa are faced with war and poverty. | **(\_\_a\_\_)** |  |
| 1. 11. There would be no peace until both sides agreed to negotiate. | **(\_\_c\_\_)** |  |
| 1. 12. The shooting had stopped but not the war. | **(\_\_b\_\_)** |  |

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

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| 1. 13. We could not ( beleive / believe ) the ( outrageous / outragous ) prices paid for the   paintings at the auction. |  |
| 1. 14. The audience were ( hopeful / hopful ) of ( seeing / seing ) a new dance. |  |
| 1. 15. The sets were ( carried / carryed ) on to the stage before the actors rushed (   desperately / desperatly ) to take their positions. |  |
| 1. 16. Behind the scenes, the costume makers were ( happily / happyly ) at work ( dyeing /   dying ) the materials and sewing the costumes. |  |

**Adverbs – Change the following adjectives to adverbs.**

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| 1. 17. tuneful **tunefully** | 1. musical **musically** | **2 marks** |
| 1. 19. noisy **noisily** | 20. full **fully** | **2 marks** |

**Plurals – Rewrite the sentences, making the nouns plural.**

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| 1. 21. The child brought the tree and bush to plant at the school.  The **children** brought the **trees** and **bushes** to plant at the **schools**. |  |
| 1. 22. The mouse ran through the cargo of the ship at the wharf.   The **mice** ran through the **cargoes** of the **ships** at the **wharves**. |  |

**Nouns – Label the proper (p), common (c), abstract (a) and collective (t) noun in the sentence.**

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| 23. The **team** of **astronomers** made an amazing **discovery** in the **Milky Way**.  p  cc  t |  |

**Finite and non-finite verbs – Is the underlined word a finite (f) or non-finite (n) verb?**

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| 24. The Milky Way Galaxy contains billions of stars. | **f / n** |  |
| 25. Only some of the stars in the galaxy are seen with the eye alone. | **f / n** |  |

**Present and past participles – Highlight the past participle in this sentence.**

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| 26. Several pandas were given to the zoo for breeding purposes. |  |

**Spelling rules – Highlight the correct spelling for each of these pairs of words.**

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| 27. worried / worryed conceited / concieted scarily / scaryly |  |

**Comparison of adjectives – Is the adjective positive (p), comparative (c), superlative (s)?**

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| 28. These are some of the worst slums in the city. **superlative** |  |

**Adverbs – Highlight the adverb of place in this sentence.**

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| 29. Luckily, I live near my office, so I cycle to work in the morning. |  |

**Clauses – Are the underlined clauses adjectival (a), adverbial (v) or noun (n)?**

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| 30. My house was built after the second world war ended. | **a / av / n** |  |
| 31. The apartment, which is quite small, has a wonderful view. | **a / av / n** |  |

**Pronouns in narrative – Which person (1st, 2nd or 3rd) would be used to write this?**

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| 32. A report on the location of a mobile phone tower. | **1 / 2 / 3** |  |

**Conjunctions – Does the underlined conjunction connect words (w), phrases (p), clauses (c)?**

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| 33. We can’t publish the results until we repeat the experiment | **w / p / c** |  |

**Prepositions – Choose the correct preposition from these alternatives.**

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| 34. There is a lot of competition ( among / between ) scientists. |  |  |

**Active and passive voice – Is the sentence expressed in the active or passive voice?**

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| 35. All these experiments were conducted by qualified people. | **active / passive** |  |

**Commas – Place commas where required in this sentence.**

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| 36. The premier**,** surrounded by his bodyguards**,** hurried to the limousine. |  |

**Semicolons/colons – Place a semicolon in the first sentence and a semicolon in the second.**

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| 37. No-one trusts the government**;** the opposition is looking good.  People are wanting a change**;** a woman has been elected as president. |  |

**Apostrophes – Insert any apostrophes required in this sentence.**

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| 38. Tomorrow**’**s newspaper will report that he**’**s died in strange circumstances. |  |

**Quotation marks – Add quotation marks to this passage. Use // for paragraph breaks.**

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| 39. **“**I thought that film was scary,**”** said Tim. **//** **“**Me too,**”** agreed his friend. |  |

**Alphabetical order – Write these countries in alphabetical order.**

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| 40. Chad, Costa Rica, Cambodia, Canada, Congo, Colombia, China, Chile   Cambodia, Canada, Chad, Chile, China, Colombia, Congo, Costa Rica |  |