

Tutor Exam for FilipinoTutor.com by Alexandra Moore Ph.D.

This exam covers topics of grammar (11 questions – 15 minutes suggested), spelling (10 questions – 5 minutes suggested). The time allotted for this exam is 20 minutes. Be sure to pace yourself well to allocate ample time to complete the exam.

Section 1: Grammar (11 questions)

Subject/Verb Agreement

1. Select the sentence that demonstrates correct subject-verb agreement.

- a. These lamp shades and that chair make the living room seem so much more relaxed.
- b. Brad is one of those people who loves late-night movies.
- c. Either Nancy or her children is going to the cabin for the long weekend.
- d. Joan was the only one of the students who were keen.

2. Select the correct verbs to complete the following sentence.

The activities for the party, which ____ organized solely by Hunts & Cooper Design, ____ a complete success.

- a. was, was
- b. was, were
- c. were, were
- d. were, was

3. Choose the option that best corrects the error in the underlined part of the following sentence.

Neither volunteering at the local food bank nor fundraising for the hospital and clinics has stopped Janet to help the women at the local shelter.

- a. has stopped Janet to help
- b. have stopped Janet from helping
- c. has stopped Janet from helping
- d. has stopped Janet helping

Sentence Structure

4. Select which phrase best corrects the sentence structure error in the sentence below:

The tea, very hot, was sipped carefully by Grandma while Oliver, playing with his toy train, gazed at her inquisitively.

- a. The tea, very hot, was sipped carefully by Grandma
 - b. The very hot tea was carefully sipped by Grandma
 - c. Grandma sipped her very hot tea carefully
 - d. Grandma, who sipped her very hot tea carefully,
 - e. Grandma carefully sipped her very hot tea
5. Identify the sentence that illustrates proper sentence construction.

- a. I had begun hardly drinking when a bug plopped in my lemonade.
- b. His behavior was so puzzling that I failed to find any explanation for it.
- c. Barb had just stepped out of the truck when she turns to see Otis running to greet her.
- d. Neither sickness will keep me away from the celebrations, nor a tornado.
- e. a and b
- f. b and c

Comparison Error

6. Choose the option that best corrects the comparison error in the underlined part of the following sentence.

Although Mark was renowned for his serene artistry and general skill, Margo, his quiet assistant, was every bit talented and proficient like Mark.

- a. talented and proficient as Mark

- b. as talented and proficient like Mark
- c. as talented and proficient as Mark
- d. talented and proficient than Mark

7. Identify the sentence that illustrates correct comparison structure.

- a. Randy has always liked ice cream more than Tim.
- b. The cityscape of France is more beautiful than that of Germany.
- c. Reading books is no longer as popular as the Internet.
- d. Pluto is smaller than any planet in the universe.

Modifiers

8. Select which sentence demonstrates correct modifier placement.

- a. Francis ordered a bagel and a hot cup of coffee.
- b. I wasn't at all starving, so I only ordered tea and a biscuit.
- c. Though Sam has worked there for years, she has hardly any friends.
- d. We hardly have enough time to finish our painting.

9. Choose the series of modifiers that best completes the following sentence.

We heard your recital was really _____ last weekend and felt _____ that we had missed it.

- a. well, bad
- b. good, badly
- c. well, badly
- d. good, bad

10. Identify the sentence that illustrates correct modifier placement.

- a. Left at home alone, the hurricane terrified the little puppy.
- b. No one is allowed to shoot anything on this property except the farmer and his family.

- c. The presenter with the booming voice was outshone by a small, singing bird.
- d. Kathy and Zack asked us to go swimming on the phone last night.

11. Choose the series of modifiers that best completes the following sentence.

_____ enough, even though we tossed all those _____ ingredients together, the pie turned out considerably _____; however, it did look _____ while it was baking.

- a. Strange, strange, good, strange
- b. Strangely, strange, well, strange
- c. Strangely, strange, well, strangely
- d. Strangely, strangely, good, strange

Section 2 – Spelling (10 questions)

For the following section, select the word with the proper spelling.

- 1.
 - a. operator
 - b. operater
- 2.
 - a. absise
 - b. abscise
- 3.
 - a. difuse
 - b. diffuse
- 4.
 - a. rebuttal
 - b. rebuttle
- 5.
 - a. gherkin

b. gerkhin

6. a. torpeditry

b. torpidity

7. a. accumulate

b. accumolate

8. a. conglomerate

b. conglummerate

9. a. uncurd

b. uncured

10. a. counterfeit

b. counterfiet