



NATIONAL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM
LITERACY AND NUMERACY

LANGUAGE CONVENTIONS

YEAR

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SESSION 1

Time available for students
to complete test: 40 minutes

Use 2B or HB
pencil only



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PRACTICE QUESTIONS

The spelling mistake in this sentence has been circled.
Write the correct spelling for the circled word in the box.

P1 We went to scool.

 P1

This sentence has one word that is incorrect.
Write the correct spelling of the word in the box.

P2 We bought fresh bred.

 P2

P3 Which word correctly completes the sentence?

Do you have pet?

a

if

he

she

Shade one
bubble.



Read the text *Cats and dogs*. The text has a gap.
Choose the correct word or words to fill the gap.

Cats and dogs

Some people like cats **P4**
they like dogs.

- more
- more best
- more than
- more better

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Read the text *Kookaburra*.

The spelling mistakes have been circled.

Write the correct spelling for each circled word in the box.

Kookaburra



Here is a kookaburra.

It has a sharp (beek).

 1

It has (broun) wings.

 2

It has long (tayl) feathers.

 3

The spelling mistakes in these sentences have been circled.

Write the correct spelling for each circled word in the box.

4 The baby was crying (becos) he was hungry.

 4

5 My sister (gos) to dance classes.

 5

6 The sheep ran to her baby (lam).

 6

7 Bees are (insecs) that fly.

 7

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The spelling mistakes in these sentences have been circled.
Write the correct spelling for each circled word in the box.

8 The lions were roring loudly.

8

9 Uluru is a famus place in Australia.

9

10 Did you notis the red car?

10

11 I can see my face in the mirra.

11

12 Rain can cause a flud.

12

The words below are pairs of opposites.
In each pair, one of the words is spelled incorrectly.
Write the correct spelling of the word in the box.

Opposites

 long

 shawt


13

 thik

 thin

14

 right

 rong

15

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Each sentence has one word that is incorrect.
Write the correct spelling of the word in the box.

16 I was verrey happy at the park.

16

17 We went driveing in the new car.

17

18 Jake sumtimes surprises his family by making biscuits for them.

18

19 A nurse helpes sick people.

19

20 The bus stoped and the children got on.

20

21 At school, I lurn many things.

21

22 I offen visit my uncle at the weekend.

22

23 The drink costs two dollers.

23

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Read the text *Polar bears*. The text has some gaps.
Choose the correct word to fill each gap.

Polar bears

Shade one
bubble.



Polar bears live in very cold parts of the world. They **24** white fur that blends in with the snow, **25** they can't be seen easily.

26 thick fur also helps to keep them warm.

24

has

had

have

having

25

if

so

but

also

26

They

These

Them

Their

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27 Which word correctly completes the sentence?

Shade one bubble.



Kate two kittens playing in the grass.

see

saw

sawed

seen

28 Which word or words correctly complete the sentence?

I found a hiding place than she did.

best

good

better

more gooder

29 Which sentence has the correct punctuation?

- When did the last show begin?
- When the whistle blew the game was over?
- When Lucy was running I saw her trip over?
- When I have finished this book I will lend it to you?

30 Which word correctly completes the sentence?

Jo likes to listen to music she is cleaning her room.

even

after

while

during

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Read the text *Shooting goals*. The text has some gaps.
Choose the correct word or words to fill each gap.

Shooting goals



Shade one
bubble.



First, Jess holds the ball high
above her head. Jess stands
with her feet **31** apart.

- slight
- slightly
- slighter
- slightest

Jess bends her knees
before **32** shoots.

- she
- she's
- her
- hers

33 stretches upward
and takes her shot.

- Finally, Jess
- Finally, jess
- finally, Jess
- finally, jess

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34 Which word correctly completes the sentence?

Shade one bubble.



It was an day.

fun

good

happy

exciting

Read the text *Big race*. The text has some gaps.
Choose the correct word to fill each gap.

Big race

Lisa is **35** in a big race tomorrow.

Lisa is my best friend **36** I **37** she does well.

I really want **38** to win.

35

run

ran

runs

running

36

or

so

then

where

37

hope

hopes

hoped

hoping

38

me

she

him

her

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Read the text *Shopping list*. The text has some gaps.
Choose the correct word or words to fill each gap.

Shopping list

Shade one
bubble.



Dad asked **39** to write a shopping list.

“We need **40** and bananas,” he said.

“Did you write all that **41**”

39

josh

Josh

JOSH

josH

40

bread milk apples

bread milk, apples

bread, milk, apples

bread, milk, apples.

41

down

down.

down?

down!

42

Which word can be used instead of the underlined words?

I am going to visit my big sister's house tomorrow.

I like it at her house.

here

then

there

where

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43 Which word or words correctly complete the sentence?

The boy put on his shoes he tied his laces.

- next
- and so
- because
- and then

Shade one bubble.



44 Which word correctly completes the sentence?

I think I prefer shoes.

- | | | | |
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45 Which word correctly completes the sentence?

Jan swam the full length the pool.

- | | | | |
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46 Which sentence is correct?

- My brother and I went riding.
- My brother and me went riding.
- Me and my brother went riding.
- Me and mine brother went riding.

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