

YEAR 4 ENGLISH SELF ASSESSMENT TEST



“Test yourself or your child at home, and reach out to us only if you need extra help. Otherwise, give yourself or your child a pat on the back and best of luck for the future!”

Instructions: Read each question carefully and choose the **best answer**.

Vocabulary & Word Choice

1.

Which word best replaces “said” in a story?

- A. Told
- B. Spoke
- C. Whispered
- D. Was

☞ *Precise verbs make writing vivid.*

2.

What does the word “astonished” most nearly mean?

- A. Bored
- B. Very surprised
- C. Angry
- D. Tired

☞ *Think about strong emotional words.*

3.

Which word has a **negative meaning**?

- A. Curious
- B. Confident
- C. Careless
- D. Friendly

☞ *Words can show positive or negative feelings.*

4.

Which sentence uses **better vocabulary**?

- A. The dog ran fast.
- B. The dog ran really fast.
- C. The dog sprinted across the yard.
- D. The dog moved fastly.

☞ *Strong verbs improve writing.*

5.

Which word best fits the sentence?
The student felt _____ before the test.

- A. Nervous
- B. Sleeping
- C. Loud
- D. Hungry

☞ *Choose words that match the situation.*

Figurative Language

6.

“The classroom was as quiet as a mouse” is a:

- A. Metaphor
- B. Simile
- C. Personification
- D. Alliteration

☞ *Similes compare using “like” or “as”.*

7.

Which sentence shows **personification**?

- A. The rain fell heavily.
- B. The rain tapped on the window.
- C. The rain was cold.
- D. The rain soaked my shoes.

☞ *Personification gives objects human actions.*

8.

Which sentence contains **alliteration**?

- A. Big brown bear
- B. Fast car drove quickly
- C. Silent night fell
- D. The dog barked loudly

☞ *Alliteration repeats starting sounds.*

9.

"The wind howled through the trees" helps the reader imagine:

- A. Sight
- B. Smell
- C. Sound
- D. Taste

☞ *Good writing uses sensory language.*

10.

Which sentence is a **metaphor**?

- A. The sun was like a ball.
- B. The sun is shining brightly.
- C. The sun was a golden coin in the sky.
- D. The sun felt warm.

☞ *Metaphors say something is something else.*

Grammar & Punctuation

11.

Which sentence uses capital letters correctly?

- A. my brother lives in sydney.
- B. My brother lives in Sydney.
- C. my Brother lives in Sydney.
- D. My brother lives in sydney.

☞ *Proper nouns need capital letters.*

12.

Which sentence uses apostrophes correctly?

- A. The dogs bone was lost.
- B. The dog's bone was lost.
- C. The dogs' bone was lost.
- D. The dog bone's was lost.

☞ *Apostrophes show ownership.*

13.

Which sentence is **complete**?

- A. Running through the park.
- B. Because it was raining.
- C. The children played happily.
- D. After the game ended.

☞ *A complete sentence has a subject and verb.*

14.

Which sentence uses commas correctly?

- A. Before lunch we finished our work.
- B. Before lunch, we finished our work.
- C. Before, lunch we finished our work.
- D. Before lunch we, finished our work.

☞ *Introductory phrases need commas.*

15.

Which sentence uses the correct verb?

- A. She were excited.
- B. She was excited.
- C. She are excited.
- D. She be excited.

☞ *Check subject–verb agreement.*

Reading Comprehension & Inference

16.

If a character clenches their fists and frowns, they are likely feeling:

- A. Happy
- B. Excited
- C. Angry
- D. Sleepy

☞ *Use clues to infer feelings.*

17.

The **main idea** of a paragraph is:

- A. A small detail
- B. What the paragraph is mostly about
- C. The ending sentence
- D. A question

☞ *Main ideas guide understanding.*

18.

A story set in the future is likely to include:

- A. Historical facts
- B. Modern events
- C. Imagined technology
- D. Old traditions

☞ *Setting affects story elements.*

19.

Why do authors include dialogue?

- A. To confuse readers
- B. To show characters' thoughts and feelings
- C. To make stories shorter
- D. To explain facts only

☞ *Dialogue reveals character.*

20.

If an author gives reasons to support an opinion, the text is:

- A. Narrative
- B. Informative
- C. Persuasive
- D. Poetic

☞ *Different texts have different purposes.*

Writing Skills & Cohesion

21.

Which word best joins these ideas?
It was raining; _____, the game continued.

- A. because
- B. however
- C. therefore
- D. finally

☞ *Some connectives show contrast.*

22.

Which sentence sounds most suitable for school writing?

- A. The book was awesome.
- B. The book was really cool.
- C. The book was interesting and engaging.
- D. The book was fun and stuff.

☞ *Formal tone is important.*

23.

Which sentence avoids repetition?

- A. The movie was exciting and exciting to watch.
- B. The movie was exciting and fun.
- C. The movie was exciting and thrilling.
- D. The movie was exciting because it was exciting.

☞ *Use varied vocabulary.*

24.

Which sentence works best as a **topic sentence**?

- A. There are many sentences here.
- B. This paragraph is about animals.
- C. Dogs make loyal and caring pets.
- D. I will write about dogs.

☞ *Topic sentences introduce the main idea.*

25.

Which word improves this sentence?
The answer was _____.

- A. thing
- B. nice
- C. correct
- D. stuff

☞ *Specific words are clearer.*

28.

Which sentence appeals to the reader's **feelings**?

- A. The park has five swings.
- B. The park was built in 1990.
- C. The park is a joyful place where children laugh and play.
- D. The park is located near the school.

☞ *Emotive language creates feeling.*

Critical & Creative Thinking

26.

Which sentence shows a **reason**?

- A. I like reading books.
- B. I read books every day.
- C. I read books because they help me learn.
- D. I read books quietly.

☞ *Reasons explain why.*

29.

Which sentence shows **balanced thinking**?

- A. This is the best idea ever.
- B. Everyone agrees with this idea.
- C. Although the idea has benefits, it also has challenges.
- D. This idea is perfect.

☞ *Balanced writing considers more than one view.*

27.

Which sentence shows a **conclusion**?

- A. The story is about a boy.
- B. In conclusion, teamwork helped the characters succeed.
- C. First, the boy went home.
- D. The boy was tired.

☞ *Conclusions summarise ideas.*

30.

Which sentence shows **clear improvement**?

- A. The story is good.
- B. The story is very good.
- C. The story is interesting.
- D. The story is engaging and well-structured.

☞ *Quality writing is specific and clear.*