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KEY STAGE

**2**

LEVELS

**3–5**

English tests

## **Grammar, punctuation and spelling mark schemes**

Short answer questions  
and spelling task

**SAMPLE**

National Curriculum assessments

# Introduction

The Standards and Testing Agency (STA) is responsible for the development and delivery of statutory tests and assessments. STA is an executive agency of the Department for Education (DfE).

This booklet contains the mark schemes for the levels 3–5 test, which consists of the short answer questions and the spelling task. These mark schemes are supplied to teachers for information and in the live tests will be used by expert markers. No level thresholds are available for this test as the standards will be set following the first live test in 2013.

A performance descriptor for levels 3–5 English grammar, punctuation and spelling will be written prior to the standards setting meeting.

**This test contains a total of 70 marks.**

The short answer test contains a total of 50 marks.

The spelling task contains a total of 20 marks.

The original mark schemes were written alongside the questions, but many examples used in the mark schemes were subsequently taken from trialling scripts. The mark schemes indicate the criteria on which judgements should be made. In applying these principles, markers use professional judgement based on the training they have received.

The English grammar, punctuation and spelling test assesses elements of the Key Stage 2 National Curriculum. Details about what is assessed in this test are presented in this mark scheme. Further information about which elements are assessed can be found in the English grammar, punctuation and spelling task framework at [www.education.gov.uk/KS2](http://www.education.gov.uk/KS2).

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## The English grammar, punctuation and spelling test mark schemes

### The structure of the short answer mark scheme

The marking information for each question is set out in the form of tables, which start on **page 10** of this booklet.

The '**Question**' column on the left-hand side of each table provides a reference to the question number and question part. This column also gives a reference linking it to the Key Stage 2 National Curriculum.

The '**Mark**' column indicates the total number of marks available for each question part.

The '**Requirement**' column may include two types of information:

- A statement of the requirements for the award of each mark, shown by a square bullet.
- *Examples of some different types of correct response, shown by a bullet and italic formatting.*

The '**Additional guidance**' column provides information about any alternative acceptable responses, as well as an explanation of responses that are not acceptable.

General guidance on marking the spelling task is given on **page 18**.

### Application of the short answer mark scheme

In order to ensure consistency of marking, the most frequent procedural queries are listed on **pages 7 and 8** along with guidance about what markers should do. Unless otherwise specified in the mark scheme, markers will apply the guidance in all cases.

### Mark allocation in the English grammar, punctuation and spelling test

The following table summarises the number of marks in the sample test assessing each area:

Assessment area	Number of marks
Grammar	29
Punctuation	12
Vocabulary	9
Spelling	20
<b>Total marks</b>	<b>70</b>

## English grammar, punctuation and spelling question classification

The table below summarises which areas of the Key Stage 2 English programme of study are assessed in the grammar, punctuation and spelling test. The reference codes in the right-hand column below are given in the question column of the short answer mark scheme.

### Component 1: short answer section

KS2 programme of study reference	Grammar, punctuation and spelling reference codes																																		
<b>En3.7a–c Language structure</b>																																			
<p><b>Pupils should be taught:</b></p> <p><b>a:</b> word classes and the grammatical functions of words, including nouns, verbs, adjectives, adverbs, pronouns, prepositions, conjunctions, articles</p> <p><b>b:</b> the features of different types of sentence, including statements, questions and commands, and how to use them [for example, imperatives in commands]</p> <p><b>c:</b> the grammar of complex sentences, including clauses, phrases and connectives.</p>	<table> <tr> <td><b>sg/ga1</b></td> <td><b>Grammatical terms / word classes</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td>sg/ga1.1</td> <td>Nouns</td> </tr> <tr> <td>sg/ga1.2</td> <td>Verbs</td> </tr> <tr> <td>sg/ga1.3</td> <td>Adjectives</td> </tr> <tr> <td>sg/ga1.4</td> <td>Connectives</td> </tr> <tr> <td>sg/ga1.5</td> <td>Pronouns</td> </tr> <tr> <td>sg/ga1.6</td> <td>Adverbs</td> </tr> <tr> <td>sg/ga1.7</td> <td>Prepositions</td> </tr> <tr> <td>sg/ga1.8</td> <td>Articles</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>sg/ga2</b></td> <td><b>Features of sentences</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td>sg/ga2.1</td> <td>Statements</td> </tr> <tr> <td>sg/ga2.2</td> <td>Questions</td> </tr> <tr> <td>sg/ga2.3</td> <td>Commands</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>sg/ga3</b></td> <td><b>Complex sentences</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td>sg/ga3.1</td> <td>Clauses</td> </tr> <tr> <td>sg/ga3.2</td> <td>Phrases</td> </tr> <tr> <td>sg/ga3.3</td> <td>Subordinating connectives</td> </tr> </table>	<b>sg/ga1</b>	<b>Grammatical terms / word classes</b>	sg/ga1.1	Nouns	sg/ga1.2	Verbs	sg/ga1.3	Adjectives	sg/ga1.4	Connectives	sg/ga1.5	Pronouns	sg/ga1.6	Adverbs	sg/ga1.7	Prepositions	sg/ga1.8	Articles	<b>sg/ga2</b>	<b>Features of sentences</b>	sg/ga2.1	Statements	sg/ga2.2	Questions	sg/ga2.3	Commands	<b>sg/ga3</b>	<b>Complex sentences</b>	sg/ga3.1	Clauses	sg/ga3.2	Phrases	sg/ga3.3	Subordinating connectives
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<p><b>Pupils should be taught:</b></p> <p><b>a:</b> how written standard English varies in degrees of formality</p> <p><b>b:</b> some of the differences between standard and non-standard English usage, including subject-verb agreements and use of prepositions.</p>	<table> <tr> <td><b>sg/ga4</b></td> <td><b>Standard English</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td>sg/ga4.1</td> <td>Tense agreement</td> </tr> <tr> <td>sg/ga4.2</td> <td>Subject–verb agreement</td> </tr> <tr> <td>sg/ga4.3</td> <td>Double negatives</td> </tr> <tr> <td>sg/ga4.4</td> <td>Use of ‘I’ and ‘me’</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>sg/ga5</b></td> <td><b>Formal / informal</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td>sg/ga5.4</td> <td>Contractions</td> </tr> </table>	<b>sg/ga4</b>	<b>Standard English</b>	sg/ga4.1	Tense agreement	sg/ga4.2	Subject–verb agreement	sg/ga4.3	Double negatives	sg/ga4.4	Use of ‘I’ and ‘me’	<b>sg/ga5</b>	<b>Formal / informal</b>	sg/ga5.4	Contractions																				
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<p><b>Pupils should be taught:</b>  <b>En3.1b:</b> to broaden their vocabulary and use it in inventive ways  <b>En3.2d</b> to proofread – check the draft for spelling and punctuation errors, omissions and repetitions.</p>	<table> <tr> <td><b>sg/ga7</b></td> <td><b>Vocabulary</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td>sg/ga7.1</td> <td>Word meaning</td> </tr> <tr> <td>sg/ga7.2</td> <td>Vocabulary in context</td> </tr> <tr> <td>sg/ga7.3</td> <td>Concision / precision in vocabulary</td> </tr> <tr> <td>sg/ga7.4</td> <td>Synonyms</td> </tr> <tr> <td>sg/ga7.5</td> <td>Antonyms</td> </tr> <tr> <td>sg/ga7.6</td> <td>Word groups / families</td> </tr> <tr> <td>sg/ga7.7</td> <td>Prefixes</td> </tr> <tr> <td>sg/ga7.8</td> <td>Suffixes</td> </tr> <tr> <td>sg/ga7.9</td> <td>Singular and plural</td> </tr> </table>	<b>sg/ga7</b>	<b>Vocabulary</b>	sg/ga7.1	Word meaning	sg/ga7.2	Vocabulary in context	sg/ga7.3	Concision / precision in vocabulary	sg/ga7.4	Synonyms	sg/ga7.5	Antonyms	sg/ga7.6	Word groups / families	sg/ga7.7	Prefixes	sg/ga7.8	Suffixes	sg/ga7.9	Singular and plural				
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**Component 2: spelling task**

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<b>En3.2 language strategies</b>
<p><b>Pupils should be taught to:</b>  <b>En3.2d:</b> proofread – check the draft for spelling and punctuation errors, omissions and repetitions.</p>
<b>En3.4a–j spelling</b>
<p><b>Pupils should be taught:</b>  <b>En3.4 spelling strategies</b>  <b>a:</b> to sound out phonemes  <b>b:</b> to analyse words into syllables and other known words  <b>c:</b> to apply knowledge of spelling conventions  <b>d:</b> to use knowledge of common letter strings, visual patterns and analogies  <b>e:</b> to check their spelling  <b>f:</b> to revise and build on their knowledge of words and spelling patterns.</p> <p><b>En3.4 morphology</b>  <b>g:</b> the meaning, use and spelling of common prefixes and suffixes  <b>h:</b> the spelling of words with inflectional endings  <b>i:</b> the relevance of word families, roots and origins of words  <b>j:</b> the use of appropriate terminology, including vowel, consonant, homophone and syllable.</p>

## Marking specific types of short answer question

### Summary of additional guidance

The following guidance applies to all questions in the short answer component. Please read this carefully before applying the individual mark schemes.

Question type	Accept	Do not accept
<b>Tick boxes</b>	Any unambiguous indication of the correct answer, eg: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ The box is crossed rather than ticked</li> <li>■ The correct answer is circled rather than ticked.</li> </ul>	Responses in which more than the required number of boxes has been ticked.
<b>Underlining clauses / phrases / other text</b>	Underlining of the full required text, with or without surrounding punctuation. Responses in which more than half of a required word is underlined.	Responses in which only part of the required text, or less than half of a required word, is underlined. Responses in which any additional words are underlined.
<b>Circling of the answer</b>	Any unambiguous indication of the correct answer, eg: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ The answer is underlined</li> <li>■ The answer is enclosed within a box.</li> </ul>	Responses in which more than the required number of words has been circled. Responses in which the correct answer is encircled, together with surrounding words.
<b>Drawing lines to 'match' boxes</b>	Lines that do not touch the boxes, provided the intention is clear.	Multiple lines drawn to / from the same box (unless this is a question requirement).
<b>Labelling of parts of speech</b>	Clear labels, whether they use the full vocabulary required by the question or an unambiguous abbreviation, eg: 'V' for 'verb'.	Ambiguity in labelling, eg: the use of 'noun' or 'CN' where a distinction is required between 'collective noun' and 'common noun'.

## Short answer questions: further marking guidance

What if...	Accept
<p><b>...the answer is correct but spelling is inaccurate?</b></p>	<p>Where no specific mark scheme guidance is given, incorrect spellings of the correct response are creditworthy, provided the intention is clear to the marker. The single exception to this is when marking contractions, which must have correct spelling and placement of apostrophes.</p> <p>In any other questions in which correct spelling is required in order to assess pupils' understanding of the curriculum focus, mark scheme guidance will state the need for correct spelling, and will list any acceptable alternatives.</p> <p>If specific grammatical terminology is required in the answer, a misspelling must, in order to be creditworthy, be a phonetic approximation of the required word, with the major syllables of the correct word represented in the answer.</p>
<p><b>...the pupil's response does not match closely any of the examples given?</b></p>	<p>Illustrative examples of pupil responses to questions are sometimes given; however, markers will use the marking principles to make a judgement about the award of marks. If uncertain, markers will escalate the issue to a more senior colleague.</p>
<p><b>...no answer is given in the expected place, but the correct answer is given elsewhere?</b></p>	<p>If a pupil leaves an answer box empty, but then writes their response elsewhere, it is still creditworthy, providing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ It meets any relevant criteria in this guidance and in the question-specific mark scheme</li> <li>■ It is not contradicted by any other attempt at the answer written elsewhere. (See '...more than one answer is given'.)</li> </ul> <p>This includes where pupils 'fill in the blank' within a question when they are expected to write or tick their answer below it.</p>
<p><b>...the correct answer has been crossed out and not replaced?</b></p>	<p>Any legible crossed-out work that has not been replaced will be marked according to the mark scheme.</p> <p>If the answer has been replaced by a further attempt, the crossed-out work will not be considered.</p>
<p><b>...more than one answer is given?</b></p>	<p>If all answers given are correct according to the mark scheme, the mark will be awarded.</p> <p>If both correct and incorrect responses are given, no mark will be awarded.</p>



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# Short answer questions mark scheme

Question	Requirements	Mark	Additional guidance
1 ga3.3	because	1m	
2 ga4.2	broken <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1m	
3 ga4.4	I wanted my mum to watch <u>me</u> in the school play. After we went cycling, Emma and <u>I</u> were very tired. The teacher asked Tim and <u>me</u> to collect the books.	1m	Award 1 mark for all three correct.
4 ga6.1	a) (max)is coming here in (december)to learn (english). b) Award 1 mark for any of the following points that is applicable to the word chosen. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ It is a proper noun.</li> <li>■ It is the name of a language.</li> <li>■ It is the name of a month.</li> <li>■ It is a (person's) name.</li> <li>■ It is the start of a sentence.</li> </ul>	Up to 2m	a) Award 1 mark for all three correct. Also accept responses in which the letter requiring capitalisation is circled instead of the word. b) Award 1 mark for a correct explanation in part b. Do not accept explanations that describe the word as a noun.
5 ga4.2	<div style="display: flex; flex-direction: column; gap: 10px;"> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;">Liam and Dan _____ gone outside.</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;">The children _____ listening to a story.</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;">Kyle _____ forgotten his lunch.</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;">The teacher _____ writing on the board.</div> </div> <div style="display: flex; flex-direction: column; gap: 10px; margin-top: 10px;"> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;">are</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;">is</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;">has</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;">have</div> </div>	1m	Award 1 mark for all three correct.
6 ga6.3	Sam asked, "Have I got time to get popcorn" after he had bought his ticket. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1m	

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8 p1.4	<p>Wow</p> <p>What did you eat last night</p> <p>Tina looked around the classroom</p>	1m	Award 1 mark for all three correct.												
9 ga1.4	Sarah <u>and</u> Ashley said the science test was easy. Paul, <u>however</u> , complained to the teacher <u>as</u> it was too hard for him.	1m	Award 1 mark for all three correct.												
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11 ga1.5	us We <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1m													
12 ga7.2	play	1m	<p>Also accept other responses that fit, grammatically and semantically, into both sentences, eg:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>film</li> </ul>												
13 ga7.9	The sign warned that deer might be crossing. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1m													

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14 sg1.2	Katy put on her shoes and hurried to the party. ✓	1m																
15 ga6.5	We'll need a board, counters and a pair of dice. ✓	1m																
16 sg1.6	Excitedly Dan opened the heavy lid. He paused briefly and looked at the treasure.	1m																
17 ga7.4	<p>Accept any appropriate adjectival synonym to replace 'enormous', eg:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>big</li> <li>gigantic</li> </ul>	1m	<p>Also accept adjectival phrases, eg:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>absolutely huge.</li> </ul> <p>Do not accept adjectives that relate to large size, but which are inappropriate when applied to a building, eg:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>fat.</li> </ul>															
18 ga1.9	Mr Jones (my neighbour) looks after our cat when we go on holiday. ✓	1m																
19 sg1.1	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Noun</th> <th>Verb</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Example: to jump</td> <td></td> <td>✓</td> </tr> <tr> <td>desk</td> <td>✓</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>belong</td> <td></td> <td>✓</td> </tr> <tr> <td>car</td> <td>✓</td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Noun	Verb	Example: to jump		✓	desk	✓		belong		✓	car	✓		1m	
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21 sg1.3	The (local) baker regularly makes (fresh) bread.	1m	
22 p1.6	As it was raining so hard, we weren't able to visit the castle. ✓	1m	
23 sg1.4	(Although) the room looked empty, Cara knew she would discover something in there.	1m	
24 ga2.2	<p>■ Accept any appropriate question that ends with a question mark, eg:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How much <u>was your toy?</u></li> <li>• How much <u>flour will we need?</u></li> </ul>	1m	The question must be grammatically correct for the award of the mark.
25 sg7.9	<p>one <u>box</u>, four boxes</p> <p>one foot, a pair of <u>feet</u></p> <p>one sheep, a flock of <u>sheep</u></p>	1m	Award 1 mark for all three correct. Also accept simple errors in spelling where the intention to form the correct singular / plural form is phonetically plausible.
26 ga6.2	Priya is my best friend she is very kind. ✓	1m	
27 p1.5	I need to pack a swimming costume, some sun cream, a hat, sunglasses and a towel.	1m	Award 1 mark for all three correct. Do not accept a 'serial' comma placed before 'and'.
28 ga7.3	<p>■ Award one mark for a suitable past tense verb related to speaking, eg:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>shouted</i></li> <li>• <i>screamed</i></li> <li>• <i>yelled</i></li> <li>• <i>bellowed</i></li> </ul>	1m	Do not accept verbs in any other tense. Do not accept verbs relating to speech that do not fit the context, eg: <i>mumbled</i> .
29 sg1.1	The (leaves) on our (tree) turned orange as the (weather) became colder.	1m	
30 sg2.1	<p>The film started on time. ✓</p> <p>The interval lasts for 20 minutes. ✓</p>	1m	Award 1 mark for both correct.

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31 ga7.2	<p>Accept any two responses in which <i>present</i> is used correctly and with a different meaning in each. Responses numbered separately below are considered to have different meanings.</p> <p><i>Present</i> as a noun:</p> <p>i) A gift, eg:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>You give someone a birthday present.</li> <li>What a fabulous present!</li> </ul> <p>ii) Present time, eg:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A newspaper is a record of the present.</li> <li>We live in the present.</li> </ul> <p><i>Present</i> as a verb:</p> <p>iii) Present a talk / TV programme, eg:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>He is going to present the weather.</li> </ul> <p><i>Present</i> as an adjective:</p> <p>iv) Present tense, eg:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>I wrote my story in the present tense.</li> </ul> <p>v) Present meaning 'here', eg:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Jane was not present for the lesson.</li> </ul>	1m	<p>Also accept responses that are not full sentences or act as definitions, eg:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A birthday present</li> <li>to be here for something.</li> </ul>
32 ga1.2	<p>The first singer was clearly the best.</p> <p>↑            ↑            ↑            ↑</p> <p>ⓐ            ⓑ            ⓒ            ⓓ</p>	1m	Award 1 mark for all four correct.
33 sg7.5	<p>few, not many <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>	1m	
34 ga4.2	<p>was /were</p> <p>go / goes</p> <p>take /takes</p>	1m	Award 1 mark for all three correct.

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39 ga6.7	“Following the Battle of Hastings,” said the historian, “William the Conqueror became King of England.”	1m	Award 1 mark for all four inverted commas placed correctly. <b>Also accept</b> inverted commas placed differently in relation to the comma, as this is not the end of the sentence being quoted, eg: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “Following the Battle of Hastings”, said the historian...</li> </ul> <b>Do not accept</b> responses with inverted commas placed before the final punctuation, eg: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “William the Conqueror became King of England”.</li> </ul>												
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<p>46 ga7.2</p>	<p>climbed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>1m</p>																

# Spelling task mark scheme

## Guidance for marking the spelling component

The following conventions should be followed when marking spelling:

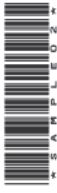

- If more than one attempt is made, it must be clear which version the pupil wishes to be marked.
- If two attempts are made and it is not clear which one is to be considered, the mark is not awarded.
- Spellings can be written in upper or lower case, or a mixture of the two.
- If a word has been written with the correct sequence of letters but these have been separated into clearly divided components, with or without a dash, the mark is not awarded.
- If a word has been written with the correct sequence of letters but an apostrophe or hyphen has been inserted, the mark is not awarded.

## Quick reference mark scheme for the spelling task

- |                |                 |
|----------------|-----------------|
| 1. dinner      | 11. different   |
| 2. following   | 12. kennel      |
| 3. picture     | 13. design      |
| 4. sudden      | 14. caught      |
| 5. television  | 15. friends     |
| 6. information | 16. obvious     |
| 7. laugh       | 17. popular     |
| 8. attracted   | 18. alphabet    |
| 9. guide       | 19. temperature |
| 10. celebrated | 20. immediately |

## Children's version of the spelling task

The words omitted from the children's spelling task are those printed in **bold** in the version below.

<div style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 15px; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> <b>Spelling task</b> </div>	<p>1. We sat at the table to eat our <u>          </u> <b>dinner</b> <u>          </u>.</p> <p>2. The ducklings walked in a line, <u>          </u> <b>following</b> <u>          </u> their mother.</p> <p>3. Ali drew a <u>          </u> <b>picture</b> <u>          </u> of his garden.</p> <p>4. The <u>          </u> <b>sudden</b> <u>          </u> noise made me jump.</p> <p>5. Pria turned on the <u>          </u> <b>television</b> <u>          </u> and watched her favourite cartoon.</p> <p>6. Sarah went to the library to get some more <u>          </u> <b>information</b> <u>          </u>.</p> <p>7. The joke made everyone <u>          </u> <b>laugh</b> <u>          </u>.</p> <p>8. The plants <u>          </u> <b>attracted</b> <u>          </u> lots of butterflies.</p> <p>9. The <u>          </u> <b>guide</b> <u>          </u> showed us around the museum.</p> <p>10. The team <u>          </u> <b>celebrated</b> <u>          </u> when they won the match.</p> <p>11. A leopard's spots look quite <u>          </u> <b>different</b> <u>          </u> from those on a cheetah.</p>	<p>02</p>  <p>T S A P L E U 2 T</p>
	<p>12. The dog's <u>          </u> <b>kennel</b> <u>          </u> was in the garden.</p> <p>13. There is a competition to <u>          </u> <b>design</b> <u>          </u> a new school playground.</p> <p>14. Imran <u>          </u> <b>caught</b> <u>          </u> the ball.</p> <p>15. Nina made a lot of <u>          </u> <b>friends</b> <u>          </u> at her new school.</p> <p>16. It was <u>          </u> <b>obvious</b> <u>          </u> that Alisha was going to win the race.</p> <p>17. The new toys are very <u>          </u> <b>popular</b> <u>          </u>.</p> <p>18. Jack wrote the <u>          </u> <b>alphabet</b> <u>          </u> in his best handwriting.</p> <p>19. When the <u>          </u> <b>temperature</b> <u>          </u> reaches 100 degrees, the water will boil.</p> <p>20. The kitten got into its basket and <u>          </u> <b>immediately</b> <u>          </u> fell asleep.</p>	<p>03</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 15px; padding: 10px; display: inline-block; margin-bottom: 10px;"> <p style="text-align: center;">END OF TASK</p> </div>  <p>T S A P L E U 3 T</p>



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