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Introduction

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

This booklet contains the mark schemes for the assessment of levels 3–5 English grammar, punctuation and spelling. Level threshold tables will be available at www.education.gov.uk/ks2 from Tuesday 8 July, 2014.

The levels 3–5 English grammar, punctuation and spelling test is made up of two papers and contains a total of 70 marks. The two papers are:

Paper 1: short answer paper (50 marks)

Paper 2: spelling task (20 marks)

As in previous years, external markers will mark the key stage 2 national curriculum tests. The mark schemes are also made available to inform teachers.

The mark schemes were written and developed alongside the questions. Children's responses from trialling have been added as examples to the mark schemes to ensure they reflect how children respond to the questions. 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 for English. Details about what is assessed in this test are presented on pages 5, 6 and 8 of this mark scheme booklet. Further information about what is assessed in this test can be found in the English grammar, punctuation and spelling test framework at www.education.gov.uk.

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The English grammar, punctuation and spelling test mark schemes

Structure of the short answer questions mark scheme

The marking information for each question is set out in 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. This column also gives a reference linking the question to the key stage 2 programme of study for English.

The 'Requirements' column may include two types of information:

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

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

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 20.

Application of the short answer questions mark scheme

In order to ensure consistency of marking, the most frequent procedural queries are listed on **pages 6–8** along with guidance about what the 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 2014 levels 3-5 test assessing each area:

Assessment area	Number of marks
Grammar	29
Punctuation	15
Vocabulary	6
Spelling	20
Total marks	70

Paper 1: short answer questions

Question classification

The table below summarises the areas of the key stage 2 English programme of study that are assessed in paper 1 of the English grammar, punctuation and spelling test. The reference codes in the right-hand column below are given in the 'Question' column of the short answer questions mark scheme.

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

Key stage 2 programme of study references	Grammar, p	unctuation and spelling odes
En3.3 Punctuation		
Pupils should be taught: En3.3: to use punctuation marks correctly in their writing, including full stops, question and exclamation marks, commas, inverted commas, and apostrophes to mark possession and omission.	p/ga6 p/ga6.1 p/ga6.2 p/ga6.3 p/ga6.4 p/ga6.5 p/ga6.6 p/ga6.7 p/ga6.8 p/ga6.9 p/ga6.10 p/ga6.11	Punctuation Capital letters Full stops Question marks Exclamation marks Commas in lists Commas to mark phrases or clauses Inverted commas Apostrophes Brackets Ellipses Colons

KEY: sg: sentence grammar p: punctuation ga: grammatical accuracy

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 scheme entries.

Question type	Accept	Do not accept
Tick boxes	Any unambiguous indication of the correct answer, eg: the box is crossed rather than ticked. the correct answer is circled rather than ticked.	Responses in which more than the required number of boxes has been indicated.
Underlining clauses / phrases / other text	Underlining of the full required text, with or without surrounding punctuation.	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.
Circling of the answer	Any unambiguous indication of the correct answer, eg: the answer is underlined. the answer is enclosed within a box.	Responses in which more than the required number of words has been indicated. Responses in which the correct answer is encircled together with more than half of any surrounding words.
Drawing lines to 'match' boxes	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).

Question type	Accept	Do not accept
Labelling of parts of speech	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'.
Writing sentences	A sentence that has a capital letter and an appropriate punctuation mark delineating the end of the sentence. Capital letters must be clear and unambiguous for the award of the mark. Where letters do not have unique capital letter forms, the height of the capital letter will be similar to, or greater than, that of letters with ascenders, and clearly greater than the height of letters that do not have ascenders. For example, in the word 'What', the height of the capital letter 'W' should be similar to, or taller than, the 'h'.	Ambiguity in the comparative sizes of letters. Responses in which capital letters are omitted or placed inappropriately in a sentence, or when an entire word is capitalised (even if the child is using the capitalised word for emphasis). The incorrect use of capital letters will negate an otherwise correct response.
Punctuation	For the award of the mark, punctuation must be appropriate for the context, clear and unambiguous. This means that the punctuation mark should be visible to the marker, its formation should be recognisable as the intended punctuation mark, and its position in relation to text or other punctuation must be correct and clear.	Punctuation marks that could be more than one thing, such as a misplaced or low apostrophe / high comma.

Short answer questions: further marking guidance

What if	Accept
the answer is correct but spelling is inaccurate?	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.
	In any other questions in which correct spelling is required in order to assess children's understanding of the curriculum focus, mark scheme guidance will state the need for correct spelling, and will list any acceptable alternatives.
	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.
the child's response does not match closely any of the examples given?	Illustrative examples of children's 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.

What if	Accept
no answer is given in the expected place, but	If a child leaves an answer box empty, but then writes their response elsewhere, it is still creditworthy, providing:
the correct answer is given elsewhere?	it meets any relevant criteria in this guidance and in the question- specific mark scheme; and
	it is not contradicted by any other attempt at the answer written elsewhere (see 'more than one answer is given').
	This includes where children 'fill in the blank' within a question when they are expected to write or tick their answer below it.
the correct answer has been crossed out	Any legible crossed-out work that has not been replaced will be marked according to the mark scheme.
and not replaced?	If the answer has been replaced by a further attempt, the crossed-out work will not be considered.
more than one answer is given?	If all answers given are correct according to the mark scheme, the mark will be awarded.
	If both correct and incorrect responses are given, no mark will be awarded.

Paper 2: spelling task

The table below summarises the areas of the key stage 2 English programme of study that are assessed in paper 2 of the English grammar, punctuation and spelling test.

Key stage 2 programme of study references

En3.2 Language strategies

Pupils should be taught to:

En3.2d: proofread - check the draft for spelling and punctuation errors, omissions and repetitions.

En3.4a-j Spelling

Pupils should be taught:

En3.4 Spelling strategies

- a: to sound out phonemes
- b: to analyse words into syllables and other known words
- c: to apply knowledge of spelling conventions
- d: to use knowledge of common letter strings, visual patterns and analogies
- e: to check their spelling
- f: to revise and build on their knowledge of words and spelling patterns.

En3.4 Morphology

- g: the meaning, use and spelling of common prefixes and suffixes
- h: the spelling of words with inflectional endings
- i: the relevance of word families, roots and origins of words
- j: the use of appropriate terminology, including vowel, consonant, homophone and syllable.

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Marking spelling questions

Summary of additional guidance

What if	Accept
no answer is given in the expected place, but	If a child leaves an answer box empty, but then writes their response elsewhere, it is still creditworthy, providing:
the correct answer is given elsewhere?	it meets any relevant criteria in this guidance and in the question- specific mark scheme;
	it is not contradicted by any other attempt at the answer written elsewhere (see 'more than one answer is given'); and
	■ it is clear which question they are attempting to answer.
the correct answer has been crossed out	Any legible crossed-out work that has not been replaced will be marked according to the mark scheme.
and not replaced?	If the answer has been replaced by a further attempt, the crossed-out work will not be considered.
more than one answer is given?	If all answers given are correct according to the mark scheme, the mark will be awarded.
	If both correct and incorrect responses are given, no mark will be awarded.
	If a child has attempted to spell a word in a number of different ways anywhere else on the answer booklet and the correct spelling is in or near the answer space, the attempts written elsewhere can be disregarded.

Short answer questions mark scheme

Additional guidance										
Mark	ŧ	Ē						Ē	Ē	Ē
			good well	>	`	`	>	map carefully.		house, (wherever / (because))
Requirements	thrilling	■ Award 1 mark for all four correct.	Sentence	He plays the drums	The concert was	l had aidea.	The children worked as a team.	Danny took out his compass before studying the map carefully.	despite <	■ Award 1 mark for both correct. The two friends ate (since / (before)) leaving the house, (wherever / (because)
Question	1 ga7.1	0	gal.o					3 ga1.6	4 ga1.4	5 ga1.4

Also accept responses that include capital letters in the box. Additional guidance Mark ᆵ 트 ᆵ ᄪ ᆵ ᆵ 트 ■ Award 1 mark for a suitable past participle synonym, eg: a) Because I practise a lot, I'm getting better at football. b) Although Sam ran very quickly, Meena won the race. <u>\</u> > c) <u>Until</u> it stops raining, everyone will stay indoors. "How were the pyramids made?" asked Rashid. Can I buy some popcorn to eat during the film Award 1 mark for all three correct. vanished / gone / left Run towards me. Question Requirements cross ga6.10 ga3.3 **7** sg2.3 **8** ga7.4 ga6.3 **12** ga7.2 **11** p6.3 6

• Ed knew he had P.E., reading, maths, music, Also accept the use of 'V' or 'v' for verb and 'N' or 'n' Do not accept the use of punctuation other than Do not accept the use of the serial comma, eg: and history at school tomorrow. Additional guidance for noun'. Mark ᆵ ᆵ ᆵ ᆵ Past The lion approached silently as the zebra rested in the grass. Present Ed knew he had P.E., reading, maths, music and history > ■ Award 1 mark for all three commas placed correctly. noun verb The children are choosing what they want to The children learnt about Romans in history. Award 1 mark for all three labels correct. "Follow me!" shouted the tour leader. ■ Award 1 mark for all four correct. They added raisins to the muffins. The computer works well. do for their projects. at school tomorrow. verb Question Requirements Sentence ga6.5 sg1.2 **14** sg4.1 **13** p6.7

Do not accept responses where the question mark has Do not accept alternative verbs, eg: did not remember. Do not accept the use of punctuation other than full Do not accept the use of a capital letter to start the Do not accept responses containing a grammatical Also accept alternative past tense forms. Where is you going on holiday? Where... Have you gone? error or non-standard form, eg: Where... Are the pens? Additional guidance been omitted. response, eg: stops. Mark ᆵ ᆵ 크 ᆵ ᆵ ᆵ Award 1 mark for any suitable, grammatically correct question ending in a question Award 1 mark for the correct placement of three full stops and three capital letters. Award 1 mark for changing both underlined verbs to a suitable past tense form. Spain is in Europe Madrid is its capital city although Barcelona is also It was hot and dry. Richard could feel the sun on his back. He Sally forgets her lunch when she is in a hurry for school. eg: was / had been All the parents cheered the successful runner. Robin was braver than his brother. Where... is Mount Everest? Where... were my socks? took a long drink of water. eg: forgot / had forgotten Where... do you live? popular for holidays. Question Requirements mark, eg: **21** ga1.3 ga2.2 ga1.3 ga4.1 ga6.1 **22** p6.2 17 20

Question	Requirements	Mark	Additional guidance
23 p6.4	Award 1 mark for an exclamation mark placed correctly at the end of each sentence. Tariq yelled excitedly, "I've won! "	ŧ	For the award of the mark, the second exclamation mark must be within the inverted commas.
24 ga6.2	■ Award 1 mark for the correct placement of two full stops and a capital letter. It was a cold morning. There was frost on the trees and ice on the lake.	Ē	
25 sg3.3	(Before) it was time for tea, Tom decided to play football.	ŧ	
26 ga6.2	Learning to juggle is fun. I found it hard at first but I'm quite ood now.	Ē	
27 sg1.4	You couldn't hear the music (when) the train went past.	ŧ	
28 sg4.2	The baker makes gorgeous cakes. ✓	ŧ	
29 ga6.5	■ Award 1 mark for a correctly punctuated list. You must pack your toothbrush, swimming costume, towel and nightclothes.	Ē	Also accept You must pack your toothbrush; swimming costume; towel and nightclothes. Also accept an exclamation mark placed at the end of a list. Also accept the use of a colon to introduce a correctly punctuated list.

Also accept responses where the word classes have For the award of the mark, the apostrophe must be Also accept Mr Jones (a governor) at South Street Also accept responses that include capital letters. Primary School will present the prizes. Additional guidance been written out. placed correctly. Mark ᆵ ᆵ 트 ᆵ ᆵ ᆵ ᆵ I can't believe what you've / Ryan's / the dog's / he's been up to all this time! When making the (mask) (Kate) carefully cut the (shape) of (eyes) Mr Jones (a governor at South Street Primary School) will It was an / the enormous castle. It had a lake and a / the tall Jim, grabbing his hat and gloves, ran out of the house. ■ Award 1 mark for three articles inserted correctly, eg: Award 1 mark for a correctly placed pair of commas. Award 1 mark for a correctly placed pair of brackets. ■ Award 1 mark for any suitable contraction, eg: tower with the most amazing views of the garden. ■ Award 1 mark for all five nouns encircled. ■ Award 1 mark for all four correct. ■ Award 1 mark for the pronoun: The siren sounded loudly. present the prizes. Requirements and a (mouth, him Question ga1.8 sg1.6 ga6.6 ga6.9 ga1.5 ga5.4 sg1.1 33 3 32 8 35 36

Question	Requirements				Ma	Mark	Additional guidance
37	Award 1 mark for all three present tense forms correct.	three present tense	forms correct		+	1m	
Z: Bs	Present tense	Past tense					
	We dance	We danced					
	We stir / are stirring	We stirred					
	We are / are being	We were					
	We eat / are eating	We ate					
38 sg5.4	Award 1 mark for the contraction: haven't	e contraction:			+	E E	For the award of the mark, the apostrophe must be placed correctly and the word spelt correctly. Also accept responses that include capital letters.
							Also accept 'I'll' as correct contraction of 'I will'.
39	■ Award 1 mark for all three correct.	three correct.			÷	TT.	
- - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	Sentence		Main clause	Subordinate clause			
	<u>I have violin lessons,</u> although I have not been playing for very long.	Ithough I have not ong.	`				
	If you want to improve, you must practise a lot.	, you must		>			
	I practise every weekend, even when it's in the school holidays.	nd, even when it's		>			

Also accept plausible misspellings, eg: wolvs, woulvs, Also accept appropriate antonyms consisting of two Do not accept the inclusion of apostrophes. Also accept informal usages, eg: hyper. cactis, cactuss, geace, gease words, eg: wide awake. Additional guidance Mark 트 크 ᆵ ᆵ ᆵ ᆵ ■ Award 1 mark for a correctly punctuated response written in the present tense, eg: The tree's long, rough leaves can grow up to 30cm long. subordinate clause main clause ■ Award 1 mark for an appropriate antonym, eg: Award 1 mark for a correctly placed comma. phrase Award 1 mark for all four nouns encircled. awake / alert / lively / energetic Award 1 mark for all three correct. ■ Award 1 mark for all three correct. The (children) ate too many (sweets) Jack is writing a card. Jack's writing a card. Neil) read the book slowly. Jack writes a card. a tiny, helpless kitten One goose, two geese. a team of firefighters One cactus, two cacti. One wolf, two wolves. , who scares the postman away, Question Requirements arrived ga7.5 **44** ga7.9 ga6.5 ga3.2 sg1.2 sg1.1 42 43 45 4 9

Question	Requirements		Mark	Additional guidance
46 ga7.8	Award 1 mark for both suffixes encircled. ful (ment) (able) less ness	h suffixes encircled. ness	ŧ	
47 ga6.8	■ Award 1 mark for all three apostrophe That comedian's jokes were hilarious. Ryan's parents are both doctors. The castle's dungeons are 300 years old.	Award 1 mark for all three apostrophes placed correctly. hat comedian's jokes were hilarious. yan's parents are both doctors. he castle's dungeons are 300 years old.	ŧ	Also accept: The castles' dungeons are 300 years old.
48 ga4.1	■ Award 1 mark for all three correct. drink / to drink / to drink / to will eat will eat will eat will eat will eat am taking / will take will take am taking / will take	■ Award 1 mark for all three correct. drink / to drink drink / to drink will eat / are going to eat / will be eating will eat / are going to the football tomorrow night and they had eaten some sweets during the match. am taking / will take / am going to take the total will take / am going to take the total the tota	Ē	Also accept responses that use capital letters. Also accept appropriate modals for (ii) and (iii). Also accept appropriate contracted forms for (ii) and (iii).
	I am putting on my coat a	I am putting on my coat and I will nave taken the dog for a walk right now!		

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Mark Additional guidance							
Mark Ado	Ę						Ę
		l me	`	`	>		
Requirements	Award 1 mark for all four correct.	Sentence	Sarah and both had a cold.	In the concert, Freddie and sat next to each other.	My mother drove Linda and to the party	Tom, Kate and are on the red team.	a noun
Question	49) ; ;					50 sg1.1

Spelling task mark scheme

Guidance for marking the spelling task

The following conventions should be followed when marking the spelling task:

- If more than one attempt is made, it must be clear which version the child wishes to be marked.
- If multiple 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.	welcome	11.	suggested
2.	untidy	12.	crystal
3.	message	13.	whistling
4.	highest	14.	instructor
5.	rubbed	15.	expression
6.	field	16.	mammals
7.	engine	17.	alterations
8.	comfort	18.	anxious
9.	guitar	19.	gradually
10.	copied	20.	journalist

Children's version of the spelling task

worked well. 11. Ali suggested a different route, in order to avoid walking in the mud. 12. You can make your own crystal from salt and boiling water. 13. Some dogs respond to whistling but others prefer to be called by name. 14. The instructor was very clear about what we needed to do. 15. Alex was encouraged to read with more expression worked well. 16. Some mammals live both on land and in water. 17. The design was not perfect but, after a few alterations worked well. 18. Pets often become anxious when there are loud in material in the soften become anxious when the school's fancy dress competition. 19. I gradually became more skilled at skateboarding. 20. The journalist wrote about the school's fancy dress competition.
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