

1 The sentence below should all be in the **past tense**.

Circle **one** word that needs to be changed.

The swimming pool was closed so Ted plays in the park.

1 mark

2 Explain how the **modal verb** changes the meaning of the second sentence.

1) Yusuf and his sister go swimming with their dad.

2) Yusuf and his sister might go swimming with their dad.

1 mark

3 Underline the **verb form** that is in the **present perfect** in the passage below.

Rachel loves music and has wanted to learn how to play the piano for years. She was hoping for piano lessons, and was delighted when her parents gave her a keyboard for her birthday.

1 mark

4

Which sentence is grammatically correct?

Tick **one**.

He starting the engine.

Ali is woke by the light from the window.

The baby was enjoying playing with his teddy bear.

Tony hope to see his grandma at the weekend.

1 mark

5

The sentences below each have an error. The errors are underlined.

Write the correction in the box, making sure the verb matches the tense.

One has been done for you.

had



Last Tuesday, I have an awful headache all day.



My baby brother likes to sit and drank a cup of milk first thing every morning.

The twins are going to the football tomorrow night and



they had eaten some sweets during the match.



I am putting on my coat and I will have taken the dog for a walk right now!

1 mark

6

Which sentence uses the **present perfect form**?

Tick **one**.

Jo went shopping on Saturday and she bought a whole new outfit.

The girl entered at the last minute and won the race!

My sister was a reserve, but she scored the winning goal.

My dog was very naughty, but since the classes he has been much better.

1 mark

7

Tick to show which sentence uses the **past progressive**.

Tick **one**.

After Ali finished his homework, he went out to play.

Gemma was doing her science homework.

Jamie learnt his spellings every night.

Anna found her history homework difficult.

1 mark

8

Tick one box in each row to show how the **modal verb** affects the **meaning** of the sentence.

Sentence	Modal verb indicates certainty	Modal verb indicates possibility
It will be very cold tomorrow.		
John might have missed the train.		
Ann can speak six languages.		
You could finish your work by the end of the lesson.		

1 mark

9

Which sentence shows that you are **most likely** to be away next week?

Tick **one**.

I could be away next week.

I might be away next week.

I shall be away next week.

I may be away next week.

1 mark

10

Tick one box in each row to show if the sentence is in the **present progressive** or the **past progressive**.

Sentence	Present progressive	Past progressive
Joey was playing football in the park after school.		
Joey's football skills are improving all the time.		
Joey is hoping to be a professional footballer.		

1 mark

11

Circle the two words that show the **tense** in the sentence below.

They went to the theme park – the car journey home was difficult.

1 mark

12

Rewrite the underlined verb in the sentence below so it is in the **present progressive**.

I taught my sister to skateboard.

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1 mark

13

Tick one word or phrase to complete the sentence below.

The audience watched in delight as the acrobats _____ daring feats.

Tick **one**.

will perform

perform

performed

have performed

1 mark

14

Tick the sentence that shows what the teacher is doing now.

Tick **one**.

The teacher wrote on the board.

The teacher is looking at the paintings.

The teacher asked the class to tidy up.

The teacher was reading a story.

1 mark

15

Circle the **verb** that shows the **past** tense in each sentence below.

On holiday, we were very happy on the beach.

The journey was rather too long for me.

The weather in Spain is usually hot and sunny, though one day it rained a lot.

1 mark

Mark schemes

1

Award 1 mark for the correct word identified.

The swimming pool was closed so Ted plays in the park.

1 mark

2

Award 1 mark for a response that demonstrates that the modal verb indicates possibility or uncertainty, e.g.

- *In the second sentence they are not definitely going swimming.*
- *The second sentence means maybe they are going to go swimming.*
- *In the second sentence, they might go but in the first, they will definitely go.*

Also accept responses that demonstrate understanding without referring to the second sentence, e.g.

In the first one, they are definitely going.

Also accept responses that demonstrate understanding by using an appropriate alternative modal verb, e.g.

In the second one, they could go swimming.

There are no spelling or punctuation requirements for this question.

1 mark

3

Award 1 mark for the correct words underlined.

Rachel loves music.. has wanted ... for her birthday.

1 mark

4

The baby was enjoying playing with his teddy bear.

1 mark

5

Award 1 mark for all three correct.

drink / to drink



My baby brother likes to sit and **drank** a cup of milk first thing every morning.

will eat / are going to eat / will be eating



The twins are going to the football tomorrow night and they **had eaten** some sweets during the match.

am taking / will take / am going to take



I am putting on my coat and I **will have taken** the dog for a walk right now!

Also accept responses that use capital letters.

Also accept appropriate modals for (ii) and (iii).

Also accept appropriate contracted forms for (ii) and (iii).

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My dog was very naughty, but since the classes he has been much better.

1 mark

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Gemma was doing her science homework.

1 mark

8

Award 1 mark for a correctly completed table.

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John might have missed the train.		✓
Ann can speak six languages.	✓	
You could finish your work by the end of the lesson.		✓

1 mark

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I shall be away next week.

1 mark

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Award 1 mark for a correctly completed table.

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Joey was playing football in the park after school.		✓
Joey's football skills are improving all the time.	✓	
Joey is hoping to be a professional footballer.	✓	

1 mark

11

Award 1 mark for both words encircled.

They went to the theme park – the car journey home
 was difficult.

1 mark

12

Award 1 mark for

I taught my sister to skateboard.



am teaching

Do not accept misspellings of verb forms.

1 mark

13

performed

1 mark

14

Award 1 mark for the correct box ticked.

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1 mark

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Award 1 mark for all three correct.

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