11+ Practice Test Answers 11+ English Test 20

Question	Answer	Explanation	Marks
1	No mistake	The sentence 'The archaeologist carefully excavated the ancient ruins, meticulously cataloguing each artefact she discovered.' contains no spelling mistakes. The words 'archaeologist', 'excavated', 'ruins', 'meticulously', 'cataloguing', and 'artefact' are all spelled correctly according to British English. Therefore, the correct answer is 'No mistake'.	1
2	was covered in slugs,	The correct answer is 'was covered in slugs,'. In a list of items separated by commas, there should not be a comma before the final 'and'. The comma after 'slugs' is incorrect. The correct sentence should read: After the heavy rainfall Samantha's garden was covered in slugs and snails.	1
3	make a good impression on her new colleages.	The correct answer is 'make a good impression on her new colleages.' The word 'colleages' is spelled incorrectly. The correct spelling is 'colleagues'. A colleague is a person with whom one works, especially in a profession or business. Therefore, the sentence should read: 'Amelia nervously rehearsed her speech, hoping to make a good impression on her new colleagues.'	1
4	No mistake	The sentence 'Sarah's favourite hobby is to analyse the different colours and textures of rocks she collects on her hikes.' contains no spelling mistakes. 'Analyse' is the correct British English spelling of the word, and all other words in the sentence are spelled correctly. Therefore, 'No mistake' is the correct answer.	1
5	loudly	The correct answer is 'loudly'. An adverb is a word that describes a verb, an adjective, or another adverb. In this sentence, 'loudly' is the adverb because it modifies the verb 'barked', telling us how the puppy barked. 'Energetic' is an adjective describing the puppy, 'puppy' is a noun, and 'chased' is a verb. Therefore, 'loudly' is the only adverb in the given sentence.	1
6	modal verb	The word 'should' in this sentence is a modal verb. Modal verbs are auxiliary verbs that express necessity, possibility, permission, or obligation. In this case, 'should' is used to express a strong recommendation or advice for the dancers to stretch before their performance. It indicates an obligation or necessity, which is a characteristic of modal verbs. Other common modal verbs include 'can', 'could', 'may', 'might', 'must', 'shall', 'will', and 'would'. These verbs are always followed by the base form of the main verb (in this case, 'stretch').	1

7	The young detective was determined to unraval	The correct answer is "The young detective was determined to unraval". The word 'unraval' is a misspelling of the word 'unravel'. The correct spelling is 'unravel', meaning to investigate and solve a mystery or problem. All other parts of the sentence are spelled correctly, so the only mistake is in the first group of words.	1
8	laughed	The correct answer is 'laughed'. In this sentence, we need a verb in the past tense to describe Sarah's action while she watched the kittens play. 'Laughed' is the simple past tense form of the verb 'laugh', which correctly completes the sentence. 'Laughing' is the present participle form of the verb, which would be used with a helping verb like 'was' or 'is'. 'To laugh' and 'to laughing' are both incorrect because infinitives (verbs preceded by 'to') do not fit the structure of the sentence.	1
10	every Saturday, sarah visits	The correct answer is 'every Saturday, sarah visits'. In this part of the sentence, 'every' should be capitalised as it begins the sentence, and 'sarah' should also be capitalised as it is a proper noun (a person's name). The corrected sentence should read: 'Every Saturday, Sarah visits her grandparents and helps them with their weekly shopping.'	1