## 11+ Practice Test Answers

## 11+ English Test 7

Question	Answer	Explanation	Marks
1	but	The correct answer is 'but'.  A co-ordinating conjunction is a word that joins two main clauses (or independent clauses) together in a sentence. The main co-ordinating conjunctions are: for, and, nor, but, or, yet, so.  In this sentence, 'but' is used to join the two main clauses: 'Olivia loves playing tennis' and 'she prefers to play badminton'. The word 'but' shows a contrast between the two clauses, indicating that although Olivia enjoys tennis, her preference is for badminton.  Therefore, 'but' is the co-ordinating conjunction in this sentence.	1
2	the colourful buterfies	The correct answer is 'the colourful buterfies'.  The word 'buterfies' is spelled incorrectly. The correct spelling is 'butterflies'.  The other parts of the sentence are spelled correctly, so they are not the right answer.  'No mistake' is incorrect because there is indeed a spelling error in the sentence.	1
3	subordinating conjunction	In this sentence, 'if' is a subordinating conjunction. Subordinating conjunctions are used to introduce a subordinate clause, which is a clause that cannot stand alone as a complete sentence.  In this case, 'if' introduces the subordinate clause 'if he had enough money', which is dependent on the main clause 'John wasn't sure'. The subordinate clause provides additional information about John's uncertainty regarding his financial situation.  Therefore, 'if' is a subordinating conjunction as it connects the main clause with the subordinate clause, establishing a relationship between the two.	1
4	No mistake	The sentence is punctuated and capitalised correctly:  - The first word 'On' is capitalised to begin the sentence.  - 'Tuesday' and 'Liam' are capitalised as they are a day of the week and a proper noun (name) respectively.  - Dashes are used correctly to offset the additional information about the name of the restaurant.  - 'Giovanni's Pizzeria' is capitalised as it is a proper noun (name of a specific place).  Therefore, the correct answer is 'No mistake'.	1

5	No mistake	The sentence contains no spelling mistakes.  "I can't believe we won!" is a correctly punctuated exclamation.  "Exclaimed" is the past tense of the verb "exclaim" and is spelled correctly.  "Beaming" means smiling brightly, and "pride" refers to a feeling of deep pleasure or satisfaction, both used appropriately in the context.  Therefore, the sentence is free of spelling errors, and "No mistake" is the correct answer.	1
6	Sarah hoped that her persuit	The correct spelling of the word meaning 'an attempt to achieve a goal' is 'pursuit', not 'persuit'.  The other parts of the sentence are spelled correctly:  - 'Sarah' is a proper noun and is capitalised correctly  - 'hoped', 'that', 'her', 'of', 'a', 'medical', 'degree', 'would', 'lead', 'to', 'fulfilling', and 'career' are all spelled correctly.  Therefore, the phrase 'Sarah hoped that her persuit' contains the only spelling mistake in the sentence.	1
7	at	The correct answer is "at". When pointing something out to someone, we use the preposition "at" to indicate the direction or location of the object being referred to.  In this case, Sarah is pointing out a rainbow that she can see from the car window. The preposition "at" is used to show that the rainbow is located in a specific direction or place that Sarah is indicating.  The other options, "on", "in", and "over", do not fit the context of the sentence as they do not accurately describe the relationship between the action of pointing and the location of the rainbow.	1
8	could	The correct answer is "could". In this sentence, Samantha is expressing a hypothetical situation using the subjunctive mood. The subjunctive is used to express wishes, desires, or imaginary situations.  When using the subjunctive, the verb "were" is used for all persons, singular and plural. In this case, "If I had" is used instead of "If I were", but it still indicates a hypothetical situation.  Following the subjunctive clause, "could" is used to express the potential outcome or possibility of the hypothetical situation. "Could" suggests that if the condition (having a million pounds) were met, then the result (buying a mansion) would be possible.  The other options (can, will, should) do not fit the subjunctive mood and the hypothetical context of the sentence.	1

9	hoping to catch a glimps	The correct spelling is 'glimpse', not 'glimps'.  A 'glimpse' is a brief or partial view of something. The word 'glimpse' is derived from the Middle English 'glimsen', which means 'to shine faintly'.  The other parts of the sentence are spelled correctly:  - 'curious' (eager to learn or know)  - 'toddler' (a young child who is just beginning to walk)  - 'peered' (looked keenly or with difficulty)  - 'keyhole' (a hole in a lock through which a key is inserted)  - 'mysterious' (difficult or impossible to understand, explain, or identify)  Therefore, the group of words containing the spelling mistake is 'hoping to catch a glimps'.	1
10	No mistake	The given sentence is punctuated and capitalised correctly:  1. The exclamation mark is placed inside the quotation marks, as it is part of the quoted speech.  2. Sarah's name is capitalised, as it is a proper noun.  3. The first letter of the quoted speech is capitalised, as it begins a new sentence.  Therefore, there is no mistake in the sentence, and 'No mistake' is the correct answer.	1