

ELA Knowledge Check

Name: _____

Grade Level: _____

Answer as many questions as you can. If you are unsure of a question, you can leave it blank, make an educated guess, or leave a note for us.

- 1. A declarative sentence is a statement. What punctuation do these sentences end with?**
 - a. Question mark
 - b. Period
 - c. Exclamation point
- 2. An interrogative sentence is a question. What punctuation do these sentences end with?**
 - a. Question mark
 - b. Period
 - c. Exclamation point
- 3. An exclamatory sentence is a sentence with excitement. What punctuation do these sentences end with?**
 - a. Question mark
 - b. Period
 - c. Exclamation point
- 4. A _____ is a word that is a person, place, thing, or idea.**

a. Verb	c. Noun
b. Pronoun	d. Adjective
- 5. A _____ is a word that describes a noun.**

a. Verb	c. Adverb
b. Pronoun	d. Adjective
- 6. A _____ is a word that describes what the subject of a sentence is doing.**

a. Verb	c. Noun
b. Pronoun	d. Adjective
- 7. A _____ is a word that replaces the noun to avoid repeating the same noun over and over.**

a. Adverb	c. Noun
b. Pronoun	d. Adjective
- 8. A _____ is a word that describes a verb.**

a. Adverb	c. Noun
b. Pronoun	d. Adjective

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9. A _____ is a word that shows a relationship between items in a sentence, usually describing direction, time, place, or position.
- Conjunction
 - Interjection
 - Preposition
10. A _____ are words that join two or more words, phrases, or clauses.
- Conjunction
 - Interjection
 - Preposition
11. A _____ is a word that gives a way to show our sudden emotions.
- Conjunction
 - Interjection
 - Preposition

Select the plural form of the following words (12-15):

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| 12. Child | 14. Baby |
| a. Childs | a. Babys |
| b. Kids | b. Babes |
| c. Children | c. Babies |
| 13. Person | 15. Foot |
| a. Persons | a. Feet |
| b. Peoples | b. Foots |
| c. People | c. Feets |

16. A comma is used to separate sentence elements, such as lists, dates, and clauses. The trick is to use them when there is a pause in your sentence (never at the end, though). Which sentence is using a comma INCORRECTLY?
- Travis loves books, music, and games.
 - I love strawberry ice cream, but my brother prefers chocolate.
 - Mr. Beam, is a wonderful singer!
17. An apostrophe is used to show either possession (ownership) or missing letters (contraction). Which phrase is using an apostrophe INCORRECTLY?
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| a. Ashlee's house | c. There's |
| b. Wo'nt | d. They're |

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Summarize the following paragraph (18):

18. *When some people think about Texas, they think of cowboys on the open range-herding cattle up a dusty trail. However, Texas has much more than open prairie with large herds of cows. There are the mountains of West Texas, the piney hills of east Texas, and the emerald waters off the coast of Padre Island. Texas also has large coastal harbors with numerous sailboats, powerboats, inland lakes, rivers, swamps of southeast Texas with alligators and other exotic wildlife.*

- a. There are a lot of cows in Texas
- b. There are many different parts of Texas
- c. Texas is one of the biggest states in the United States
- d. There are alligators in the swampland of Southeast Texas

Select the figurative language that best describes the sentence (19-24):

- 19. The man hummed along with the song playing in his headphones.
 - a. Onomatopoeia
 - b. Simile
 - c. Alliteration
 - d. Personification
- 20. Today was like my birthday, Christmas, and Fourth of July all rolled into one!
 - a. Onomatopoeia
 - b. Simile
 - c. Alliteration
 - d. Personification
- 21. We were stopped at that red light for eternity.
 - a. Metaphor
 - b. Hyperbole
 - c. Alliteration
 - d. Personification
- 22. Leave your mom alone. She's a grizzly bear in the morning without her coffee.
 - a. Metaphor
 - b. Hyperbole
 - c. Alliteration
 - d. Personification
- 23. The candle flame danced whenever someone walked by.
 - a. Metaphor
 - b. Hyperbole
 - c. Alliteration
 - d. Personification
- 24. Whose horse is Hector happily riding?
 - a. Onomatopoeia
 - b. Simile
 - c. Alliteration
 - d. Personification

Match the following sentences with their sentence structure (25-27):

- 25. _____ Fragment Sentence
 - 26. _____ Complete Sentence
 - 27. _____ Run-on Sentence
- a. He went to the store he bought some beans.
 - b. The book on the table
 - c. I love to listen to music.

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28. In an essay, what types of paragraphs do you need?
- Beginning, middle, end
 - Plot, setting, conflict
 - Introduction, body, conclusion
29. Which is an independent clause of the following sentence?
I went out to dinner because it was my birthday!
- “I went out to dinner”
 - “because it was my birthday”
 - ”out to dinner”
30. Which is a dependent clause of the following sentence?
I went out to dinner because it was my birthday!
- “I went out to dinner”
 - “because it was my birthday”
 - ”out to dinner”

Choose which elements of literature describe the phrase/topic (31-34).

31. *The good army is about to face the evil army in a terrible battle. During this battle, the good army prevails and wins the war at last. After the war has ended, the two sides make peace and begin rebuilding the countryside which was ruined by the years-long war.*
- Conflict
 - Characters
 - Plot
 - Setting
32. **The main character gets lost in the woods.**
- Conflict
 - Characters
 - Plot
 - Setting
33. **Woody, Buzz, and Mr. Potato Head in Toy Story**
- Conflict
 - Characters
 - Plot
 - Setting
34. **Harry Potter takes place at Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry**
- Conflict
 - Characters
 - Plot
 - Setting
35. **When you are highlighting or taking notes in a text, this is called _____.**
- Literature
 - Poetry
 - Descriptive Writing
 - Annotating