Litlings GPS practice paper 6

Year 6 level. Part A: 30 marks, about 30 minutes. Part B: 10 marks, about 10 minutes. Total: 40 marks. No dictionaries.

Name: _____ Date: _____ Score: _____ / 40

Part A: grammar, punctuation and vocabulary (30 marks)

1. Which sentence is active? (1 mark)

   ☐ The postman was chased by the dog.

   ☐ The postman was chased.

   ☐ The dog chased the postman.

2. Tick one box in each row to show whether the sentence is active or passive. (1 mark)

	ACTIVE	PASSIVE
The letter was posted by Ravi.	☐	☐
Ravi posted the letter.	☐	☐
The bridge was repaired in June.	☐	☐

3. Rewrite the sentence in the active. (1 mark)

   The song was sung by the whole class.

   _____

4. Which word is a synonym for reluctant? (1 mark)

   ☐ eager

   ☐ ready

   ☐ unwilling

5. Write an antonym of expand. (1 mark)

   expand is the opposite of _____

6. Which sentence is the most formal? (1 mark)

   ☐ They'd best come early or we'll start.

   ☐ Were they to arrive early, we would begin.

   ☐ If they come early, we'll start.

7. Add a semi-colon to the sentence. (1 mark)

   The river was low the fields were dry.

   _____

8. Add a colon to the sentence. (1 mark)

   You will need three things a coat a hat and gloves.

   _____

9. Which sentence uses a hyphen correctly? (1 mark)

   ☐ We hired a second-hand-bike.

   ☐ We hired a second-hand bike.

   ☐ We hired a second hand-bike.

10. Which sentence uses brackets correctly? (1 mark)

    ☐ The festival (held every) June was crowded.

    ☐ The (festival) held every June was crowded.

    ☐ The festival (held every June) was crowded.

11. Insert a relative clause using who into the sentence: The pilot landed the plane. (The pilot had flown all night.) (1 mark)

    The pilot landed the plane.

    _____

12. Which phrase links ideas by adding information? (1 mark)

    ☐ However

    ☐ In addition

    ☐ On the other hand

13. Which phrase links ideas by giving an example? (1 mark)

    ☐ Nevertheless

    ☐ In contrast

    ☐ For instance

14. Click the subject. (1 mark)

    The tired travellers boarded the last train.

15. Which sentence uses a question tag correctly? (1 mark)

☐ You haven't forgotten, do you?

☐ You haven't forgotten, have you?

☐ You haven't forgotten, haven't you?

16. Add commas so that the sentence is clear. (1 mark)

Come on children.

_____

17. Which sentence is punctuated correctly? (1 mark)

☐ The children, who were cold, put on coats.

☐ The children who, were cold put on coats.

☐ The, children who were cold, put on coats.

18. Write the word that means the opposite of victory. It begins with d. (1 mark)

victory is the opposite of d_____

19. Which word is a verb? (1 mark)

☐ investigation

☐ investigator

☐ investigate

20. Tick two passive sentences. (1 mark)

☐ The cake was baked by Nan.

☐ Nan baked the cake.

☐ The cake was baked for the party.

☐ Nan is baking a cake.

21. Rewrite the sentence in the passive without saying who did it. (2 marks)

Someone opened the gates.

_____

_____

22. Which sentence uses the correct verb form? (1 mark)

☐ If she was here, she would help.

☐ If she is here, she would help.

☐ If she were here, she would help.

23. Which sentence uses dashes for parenthesis correctly? (1 mark)

☐ The old bridge – built in 1900 – was closed.

☐ The old bridge built – in 1900 was – closed.

☐ The old – bridge built in 1900 – was closed.

24. Which word is a possessive pronoun? The red bag is hers. (1 mark)

☐ hers

☐ The

☐ bag

25. Tick one box in each row to show the word class of the first word. (1 mark)

	NOUN	ADVERB	PREPOSITION
Quietly the cat crept in.	☐	☐	☐
Beneath the bed lay a sock.	☐	☐	☐
Courage kept her going.	☐	☐	☐

26. Which sentence uses an ellipsis (leaving out words) correctly? (1 mark)

☐ Ben likes tea; Maya, coffee.

☐ Ben likes tea; Maya, likes coffee.

☐ Ben tea; Maya likes coffee.

27. Which sentence is a command? (1 mark)

☐ Is the light off?

☐ Switch off the light.

☐ The light is off.

28. Join the sentences using although. (1 mark)

It was raining. We played outside.

_____

29. Which sentence needs a semi-colon between the clauses? (1 mark)

☐ The sun set the sky turned red.

☐ The sun set and the sky turned red.

☐ When the sun set the sky turned red.

Part B: spelling (10 marks)

Listen to your teacher. Write the missing word in each gap.

1. The _____ for the cinema went out of the door.
2. Ava tapped him on the _____.
3. Keep your answer _____ to the question.
4. Please add your _____ at the bottom.
5. She tried to _____ the others to vote.
6. I did not _____ him in his costume.
7. Recycling helps to protect the _____.
8. We _____ your generous gift.
9. Try not to _____ while she explains.
10. _____ split the dark sky in two.