Sentence grammar quiz

Level A

1. All sentences must begin with a capital letter.
   A) True
   B) False

2. All sentences must end with a full-stop.
   A) False
   B) True

3. All sentences should be at least a line long.
   A) False
   B) True

4. You should never write a sentence that lasts more than 3 lines.
   A) False
   B) True

5. All sentences need to have a verb (doing word) in them.
   A) False
   B) True

6. All sentences must have a subject in them - a person or thing who is doing the action of the verb.
   A) False
   B) True

7. You must always write in sentences.
   A) False
   B) True

8. Sentences help you to read because they show you when to pause, or make something a question.
   A) False
   B) True
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9. You can end a sentence by using a comma.
   A) False
   B) True

10. When you read a sentence it should make sense.
   A) True
   B) False
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Level B

1. Which one of these is a verb (doing word)?
   A) walk  
   B) car  
   C) computer  
   D) tree

2. Which one of these ISN'T a verb (doing word)?
   A) walk  
   B) talking  
   C) jumper  
   D) cooked

3. Which one of these is a sentence?
   A) Tuesday often makes shoe.
   B) I can drive but I hate.
   C) It rained all day yesterday.
   D) All day yesterday.

4. What is missing in this sentence?
   'she always works late on Friday.'
   A) a capital letter  
   B) a verb  
   C) a comma  
   D) a question mark

5. What is missing in this sentence?
   'Pauline and Dot work in the laundrette'
   A) a capital letter  
   B) a question mark  
   C) a verb  
   D) a full-stop
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6. What is missing in this sentence?

'What time is it, Sonia'

A) a question mark  
B) a full-stop  
C) an exclamation mark  
D) a verb

7. Which one of these ISN’T a sentence?

A) I'll have two teas and a cheese roll, please. 
B) Two teas and a cheese roll. 
C) I'll have a cheese roll. 
D) My favourite lunch is a cup of tea and a cheese roll.

8. Which one of these ISN’T a sentence?

A) Milk, newspaper, dog biscuits. 
B) Do you have the time, please? 
C) Be careful, Mark! 
D) Will you be long?

9. What's wrong with this sentence?

'I love you,'

A) It doesn't make sense. 
B) It needs a verb. 
C) It needs a full-stop. 
D) It is too short.

10. What's wrong with this sentence?

'Last week, on a bright sunny day with no clouds in the sky, on my way to the shops.'

A) It is too long. 
B) It needs a question mark. 
C) It needs an exclamation mark. 
D) It doesn't make sense.
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Level C

1. This is a sentence:

'We've cut the price of crisps and peanuts by 10p.'

A) False
B) True

2. This is a sentence:

'EastEnders my favourite soap.'

A) False
B) True

3. What is missing in this sentence?

'The should be changed.'

A) a verb
B) a comma
C) a question mark
D) a subject

4. Which of these sentences has the correct punctuation?

A) May I request a copy of your catalogue.
B) May I request a copy of your catalogue?
C) may I request a copy of your catalogue?
D) may I request a copy of your catalogue

5. Which of these sentences has the correct punctuation?

A) I look forward to hearing from you.
B) I look forward to hearing from you,
C) i look forward to hearing from you.
D) I look forward to hearing from you
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6. Which one of these is a sentence?
   A) I would like to apply for.
   B) I would like to apply for the job advertised.
   C) Would like to apply for the job advertised.
   D) The job advertised.

7. Which one of these ISN'T a sentence?
   A) I enclose a stamped, addressed envelope.
   B) A stamped, addressed envelope is enclosed.
   C) In the envelope I enclose.
   D) I have enclosed an SAE.

8. What's missing in this sentence?
   'Last week Martin a girl called Farah at the bus stop.'
   A) a subject
   B) a verb
   C) an exclamation mark
   D) a semicolon

9. Sentences must have only one verb (doing word) in them.
   A) False
   B) True

10. Sentences must have only one subject (person or thing doing the verb) in them.
    A) True
    B) False
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Answers

Level A

1. All sentences must begin with a capital letter.
   The answer is: A. True. All sentences begin with a capital letter. A capital letter tells us that a new sentence is beginning.

2. All sentences must end with a full-stop.
   The answer is: A. False. Sometimes sentences end with an exclamation mark or a question mark.

3. All sentences should be at least a line long.
   The correct answer is: A. False. Some sentences can be very short - e.g. ‘I like pizza.’ There is no fixed length for sentences.

4. You should never write a sentence that lasts more than 3 lines.
   The answer is: A. False. Sometimes sentences need to be quite long. There is no fixed length for sentences.

5. All sentences need to have a verb (doing word) in them.
   The answer is: B. True. All sentences need a verb in them.

6. All sentences must have a subject in them - a person or thing who is doing the action of the verb.
   The answer is: B. True. All sentences need a subject in them. These are words like 'I', 'she', 'Ali', 'the dog'. e.g. Ben (subject) cuts the grass every Saturday.
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7. You must always write in sentences.
   The answer is: A. False. Sometimes you don't need to write in sentences, for example in a shopping list or a poem.

8. Sentences help you to read because they show you when to pause, or make something a question.
   The answer is: B. True. Without sentences it would be very difficult for somebody else to understand your writing.

9. You can end a sentence by using a comma.
   The answer is: A. False. You cannot end a sentence with a comma. You must end a sentence with a full-stop, exclamation mark, or question mark.

10. When you read a sentence it should make sense.
    The answer is: A. True. If it doesn't make sense then it isn't a sentence.
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Level B

1. Which one of these is a verb (doing word)?
   The correct answer is: A. ‘Walk’ is a verb - e.g. I walk to work everyday. ‘Tree’, ‘car’ and ‘computer’ are all nouns.

2. Which one of these ISN'T a verb (doing word)?
   The correct answer is: C. ‘Jumper’ is a noun, the name of a thing (or possibly a person).

3. Which one of these is a sentence?
   The correct answer is: C. 'It rained all day yesterday.' It makes sense, it starts with a capital letter and ends with a full-stop and it contains a verb (rained) and a subject (it).

4. What is missing in this sentence?
   'she always works late on Friday.'
   The correct answer is: A. Sentences must always start with a capital letter. The sentence should be ‘She always works late on Friday.’

5. What is missing in this sentence?
   'Pauline and Dot work in the laundrette'
   The correct answer is: D. Sentences must always end with a full-stop, a question mark or an exclamation mark. This sentence isn't a question and it isn't very exciting, so the full-stop is the right answer.

6. What is missing in this sentence?
   'What time is it, Sonia'
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The correct answer is: A. Sentences must always end with a question mark, a full-stop, or an exclamation mark. This sentence is a question, so it needs to end with a question mark.

7. Which one of these ISN'T a sentence?

   The correct answer is: B. 'Two teas and a cheese roll.' isn't a sentence because it doesn't have a verb (a doing word) - every sentence needs a verb.

8. Which one of these ISN'T a sentence?

   The correct answer is: A. 'Milk, newspaper, dog biscuits.' is a list. It isn't a sentence because it doesn't have a verb in it.

9. What's wrong with this sentence?

   'I love you,'

   The correct answer is: C. It needs a full-stop. You cannot end a sentence with a comma.

10. What's wrong with this sentence?

    'Last week, on a bright sunny day with no clouds in the sky, on my way to the shops.'

    The correct answer is: D. This sentence doesn't make sense. There's some information missing - it has no verb to tell you what happened last week. It would be a correct sentence if it said something like 'Last week, on a bright sunny day with no clouds in the sky, on my way to the shops, I saw Ray.'
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Level C

1. This is a sentence:

'We've cut the price of crisps and peanuts by 10p.'

The answer is: B. True. This is a sentence. It begins with a capital letter and ends with a full-stop. It has a subject (we) and a verb (have) and it makes sense.

2. This is a sentence:

'EastEnders my favourite soap.'

The answer is: A. False. This isn't a sentence because it doesn't have a verb in it. All sentences need a verb. It should say, 'EastEnders is my favourite soap.'

3. What is missing in this sentence?

'The should be changed.'

The answer is: D. All sentences need a subject - the person or thing the sentence is about. It should say something like 'The baby should be changed.'

4. Which of these sentences has the correct punctuation?

The correct answer is: B. 'May I request a copy of your catalogue?' has the correct punctuation. It begins with a capital letter and ends with a question mark, because it is asking a question.

5. Which of these sentences has the correct punctuation?

The correct answer is: A. 'I look forward to hearing from you.' has the correct punctuation. It begins with a capital letter and ends with a full-stop. It has a subject (I) and a verb (look forward) and it makes sense.
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6. Which one of these is a sentence?

The correct answer is: B. 'I would like to apply for the job advertised.' is a sentence. It begins with a capital letter and ends with a full-stop. It has a subject (I) and a verb (apply) and it makes sense.

7. Which one of these ISN'T a sentence?

The correct answer is: C. 'In the envelope I enclose.' isn't a sentence. This doesn't make sense - what do you enclose? A sentence must always make sense.

8. What's missing in this sentence?

'Last week Martin a girl called Farah at the bus stop.'

The correct answer is: B. This sentence is missing the verb. All sentences need to have a verb in them. The sentence should say something like 'Last week Martin met a girl called Farah at the bus stop.'

9. Sentences must have only one verb (doing word) in them.

The correct answer is: A. False. Sentences must have at least one verb in them, but sometimes they can have many. e.g. ‘On the way to work I usually buy a coffee and drink it before I go into the office’.

10. Sentences must have only one subject (person or thing doing the verb) in them.

The correct answer is: B. False. Sentences must have at least one subject, but sometimes they can have many. e.g. ‘Pauline, Peggy, Barry and Pat are characters in EastEnders. Here there are four people who are all the subjects of the sentence.’