

YEAR 3 GRAMMAR, PUNCTUATION & SPELLING Termly Assessment Tests

Guidance and mark schemes

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About this pack

This pack provides you with termly assessments to help monitor children's progress in Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling throughout the year. The pack consists of this introductory booklet and three tests.

Using the termly assessment tests

The tests in this pack can be used as you would any other assessment materials. The children will need to be familiar with specific test-focused skills, such as reading carefully, leaving questions until the end if they seem too difficult, working at a suitable pace and checking through their work.

About the tests

Each Grammar, Punctuation & Spelling test for Year 3 has two parts:

- a short-answer Grammar, Punctuation and Vocabulary test, lasting 45 minutes
- a spelling test lasting around 15 minutes (although this is untimed).

This pack provides three different tests and mark schemes (which can be found at the end of this booklet).

The script for the spelling task for each paper can be found later in this booklet.

Test coverage table

Paper I: Grammar, Punctuation & Vocabulary: Year 3

The children will need to be familiar with and be able to demonstrate use of the following.

	Content
Grammatical words	Nouns
and word classes	Verbs
	Adjectives
	Conjunctions
	Adverbs
	Prepositions
	Determiners
Functions of sentences	Statements Questions Exclamations Commands
Combining words, phrases and clauses	Sentences Clauses
	Noun phrases
	Co-ordinating conjunctions Subordinating conjunctions Subordinate clauses
	Simple past and simple present tense Verbs in the perfect form Present and past progressive tense Tense consistency

	Content
Punctuation	Capital letters Full stops Question marks Exclamation marks
	Commas in lists
	Inverted commas
	Apostrophes for contraction Apostrophes for possession
Vocabulary	Prefixes Suffixes Word families
Standard English and formality	Standard English

Marking and assessing the papers

The mark schemes and answers are located in the latter half of this booklet.

Grammar, punctuation, vocabulary and spelling, where appropriate in the tests, have right/wrong answers. However, there are some open-ended questions that require the children's input. For these questions, example answers have been provided. They are not exhaustive and alternatives may be appropriate, so careful marking and a certain degree of interpretation will be needed.

Question type	Accept	Do not accept
Tick boxes	Clear unambiguous marks.	Responses where more boxes have been ticked than required.
Circling or underlining	Clear unambiguous indication of the correct answer – including a box.	Responses where more than the required number of words have been circled or underlined.
		Responses where the correct answer is circled or underlined, together with surrounding words.
		Answers in which less than half of the required word is circled or underlined.
Drawing lines	Lines that do not touch the boxes, provided the intention is clear.	Multiple lines drawn to or from the same box (unless a requirement of the question).
Labelling parts of speech	Clear labels, whether they use the full vocabulary required by the question or an unambiguous abbreviation.	Ambiguity in labelling such as the use of 'CN' when asked to identify collective nouns and common nouns.
Punctuation	Punctuation that is clear, unambiguous and recognisable as the required punctuation mark.	Punctuation that is ambiguous, for example if it is unclear whether the mark is a comma or full stop.
Spelling	Where no specific mark scheme guidance is given, incorrect spellings of the correct response should be accepted.	Correct spelling is generally required for questions assessing contracted forms, plurals, verb tenses, prefixes and suffixes.

Marking paper 1: questions

Marking paper 2: spelling

- If more than one attempt is made, it must be clear which version the child wishes to be marked.
- Spellings can be written in upper or lower case, or a mixture of the two.
- If a word has been written with the correct sequence of letters but they have been separated into clearly divided components, with or without a dash, the mark should not be awarded.
- If a word has been written with the correct sequence of letters but an apostrophe or hyphen has been inserted, the mark should not be awarded.
- Any acceptable British-English spelling can be marked as correct. For example, *organise* or *organize*.

Marks table

At the back of each booklet there is a table for you to insert the number of marks achieved for each question. This will enable you to see which areas the children need to practise further.

National standard in Grammar, Punctuation & Spelling

The mark that the child gets in the test paper will be known as the 'raw score' (for example, '38' in 38/70). The raw score will be converted to a scaled score and children achieving a scaled score of 100 or more will achieve the National Standard in that subject. These 'scaled scores' enable results to be reported consistently year-on-year.

The guidance in the table below shows the marks that children need to achieve to reach the National Standard. This should be treated as a guide only as the number of marks may vary. You can also find up-to-date information about scaled scores on our website: www. scholastic.co.uk/nationaltests

Marks achieved	Standard
0–37	Has not met the national standard in Grammar, Punctuation & Spelling for Year 3
38–70	Has met the national standard in Grammar, Punctuation & Spelling for Year 3

Test A, Paper I: Questions mark scheme

٥	Answers						Marks
Т	The large frog was sitting by the pond.						
2	An adjectiv	e					I
3	The old lady went shopping.						
4	The girl pl	ayed on the co	omputer.				l I
5	quickly, elle	en ran down th	e road.				I
6	A noun						I
7	What time Her dress v	is it ? vas dark green	-				I
8	help	helpful					I.
	enjoy	enjoyment					
9	(on)(friday) it was cold and windy.						
10	Silently, the	e owl watched	from the tree.				I.
П					?		I.
	When will	we be there			✓		
	When it ro	ains I like to sp	lash in the puddles	1	-		
12	Foxes live in	n dens under/	against the ground.				1
13		noved down th					I
14	Ser	ntence	Statement	Que	estion		I
	Would yo	u like a drink			1		
	Tom likes	chips	\checkmark				
15	Are we nearly there yet						
16	Sit down, please. or Please sit down. or Sit down.						I.
17	slowly						l.
18	The girl is	digging in the	garden.				I
19	What a are	eat friend you o	are				1

Q	Answers			Marks
20	Did you wash your hands ? What an amazing fireworks display !			
21	What a cute rabbit			l I
22	My cousin <u>erin</u> lives	in <u>spain</u> .		I
23	can't don't			I
24	•		letters are also needed for proper ek, people's names, and so on).	I
25	The boy cleaned his	teeth after eating l	his breakfast.	I
26	play	care		I.
	playful	careful		
	playground	careless		
	playtime	carefully		
27	What a fantastic pe	rformance that was		I
28	Alec had maths hor	nework to do and he	e had a swimming lesson.	l I
29	"I am wearing <u>my n</u>	i <u>ew green tights</u> ," sa	id Sasha.	I.
	Accept if 'my' is not	underlined but the r	rest of the phrase is.	
30	•		fix <i>un</i> has a negative or opposite effect py means not happy.	I
31	We had fish, chips a	nd peas for dinner.		I
32	I saw motorbikes cars and buses.			
33	dresses girls			
34	cross boy			I
35		in elephant at the zo s a small, ginger cat		I

Q	Answers			Marks	
36	The hard, frosty ground crunched under her feet.				
	Award mark if 'the' is not underl	ined but the rest of th	ne phrase is.		
37	After she finishes work, Mum is t	taking me to buy shoe	<u>es</u> .	I	
38	l ate a / an apple at break time. Harry ate (a) / an banana.				
39	We will have to run or we will be	e late.		I	
40	Sentence	Main clause	Subordinate clause	I	
	She answered the phone when it rang .		J.		
	The children ran to school so they wouldn't be late.	1			
41	For example: When they got to school, Sasha got changed quickly / happily . Accept other suitable adverbs.				
42	Emily is dancing around the room	m.		l I	
43	Sentence	Apostrophe for contraction	Apostrophe for possession	I	
	Nadia's coat ripped.		1		
	Tom's mum was late.		1		
	George didn't understand.	<i>✓</i>			
44	"Are you OK?" asked Tom.			I	
45	I is / am going on holiday.			I	
46	is was			l I	
47	Mia was cycling to the park.				
48	"What time does school finish?" asked Granny.				
49	She didn't have nothing / anythin	ng to say.		I	
50	"Our new topic is ancient Greece	e," said Ali excitedly.		I	
			тс	OTAL 50	

Test A, Paper 2: Spelling test script and mark scheme

Notes for conducting the spelling test

The task should take approximately **I5 minutes** to complete, although you should allow children as much time as they need to complete it.

Read the instructions below to the children.

Listen carefully to the instructions I am going to give you.

I am going to read you 20 sentences. Each sentence has a word missing in your answer booklet. You should listen carefully to the missing word and fill this in, making sure you spell it correctly.

I will read the word, then the word within a sentence, then repeat the word a third time.

Do you have any questions?

Then read the spellings to the children as follows:

- **I**. Give the spelling number.
- 2. Say 'The word is...'.
- **3.** Read the context sentence.
- **4.** Repeat 'The word is...'.

Leave at least a 12-second gap between spellings.

At the end, re-read all 20 questions. Then say *This is the end of the test please put* down your pen or pencil.

Each correct answer should be awarded **I mark**. For more information on marking this task, please refer to page 10.

Spelling one: the word is **bicycle**. Yesterday, I went for a ride on my **bicycle**. The word is **bicycle**.

Spelling two: the word is **circle**. The dog ran around in a **circle**. The word is **circle**.

Spelling three: the word is **February**. Last **February**, it snowed for days. The word is **February**.

Spelling four: the word is **difficult**. Some children in the class thought the test was **difficult**. The word is **difficult**.

Spelling five: the word is **question**. The teacher asked me a **question** but I wasn't listening. The word is **question**.

Spelling six: the word is **medicine**. We collected the **medicine** from the chemist. The word is **medicine**.

Spelling seven: the word is **surprise**. It was a **surprise** to see my friend waiting at the bus stop. The word is **surprise**.

Spelling eight: the word is fruit.
A tomato is a type of fruit.
The word is fruit.
Spelling nine: the word is group.

A <mark>group</mark> of children went swimming together. The word is **group**.

Spelling ten: the word is **often**. My friend **often** comes to my house to play.

The word is **often**.

Spelling eleven: the word is **forgotten**. Ali had **forgotten** his brother's birthday. The word is **forgotten**.

Spelling twelve: the word is **mystery**. The detective solved the **mystery**. The word is **mystery**.

Spelling thirteen: the word is **trouble**. The little boy was in **trouble** for eating all of the cake. The word is **trouble**.

Spelling fourteen: the word is disliked. Sophie disliked her new shoes. The word is disliked.

Spelling fifteen: the word is **character**. The **character** in the story was very intelligent. The word is **character**.

Spelling sixteen: the word is **chef**. The **chef** cooked a delicious meal for everyone. The word is **chef**.

Spelling seventeen: the word is **tongue**. I burned my **tongue** on the hot food. The word is **tongue**.

Spelling eighteen: the word is science.Science is my favourite lesson at school.The word is science.

Spelling nineteen: the word is **eight**. My sister is **eight** years old. The word is **eight**.

Spelling twenty: the word is **sentence**. The teacher asked us all to write another **sentence**. The word is **sentence**.

Test B, Paper I: Questions mark scheme

Q	Answers				Marks	
I	A noun					
2	The frog <u>hopped</u> into the pond.					
3	don't isn't					
4	I sit in the chair.					
5	Thenervousacto	r stood on the st	age.		l I	
6	mariam made a	cake on <u>saturday</u>	ı afternoon.		l I	
7	"What is Harry d	oing in the kitche	en?" asked Dad.		- I	
8	Jakub bought a b	ook <mark>,</mark> game and r	nagazine.		- I	
9	Who were you	talking to		Statement	I	
	How wonderfu	l you look	\prec	Question		
	Bob went c	outside		Exclamation		
10	Adjective	Adverb			I	
	happy	slowly				
	slow	happily				
н	Sente	ence	Full stop	Question mark	I	
	When can I have	e an ice cream		✓		
	When I ride my	bike it is fun	✓			
12	The man bought	milk bread and j	am at the shop.		I	
13	Singular	Plural			I	
	fox	foxes				
	toy	toys				
14	Singular	Plural			I	
	dog	dogs				
	wish	wishes				
15	A verb				I	
16	I saw a beautiful				I.	
	Award mark if 'a' isn't circled but the rest of the phrase is.					

Q	Answers						
17	slowly						
18	The boy dropped some popcorn on the floor.						
19	The girl was kicking@/an ball.						
	The boy put the l	etter in a /ar	envelope.				
20	The toys go in the red box.						
21	Can you sit down Could you sit dov				I		
	Answer must inclu	ude a questio	on mark and meaning	must remain the same.			
22	Command				I		
23	The squirrel ran of	across the lav	vn.		I		
24	Senten	ce	Main clause	Subordinate clause	I		
	I don't like swim when the wate	5		✓			
	I like going cycling because it's fun.						
25	My friend <u>isaac</u> liv	ves in <u>france</u> .			I		
26	5 Carefully, the gymnast balanced on the beam.						
27	The small, white i	mousenibble	d at the cheese.		I.		
	Award mark if 'th	e' isn't circled	l but the rest of the pl	nrase is.			
28	The nurse shut th	e window <u>wh</u>	nen it started to rain.		l I		
29	I had chips for lur	nch and I wer	nt to the park.		l I		
30	The mouse hid ur	nder / against	t the chair.		I		
31	playing				I		
32	What a fantastic show we went to						
33	l've						
34	a. Sofia made a wobbly jelly on Tuesday.						
	b. An explanation that both capital letter and full stop are used properly.						
35	run	sing			I		
	runner	singer					
	running	singing					

Q	Answers	Answers				Marks
36	The gardener					I
37	I am playing cricket.					l I
38	care		ation			l.
	final	\checkmark	ful			
	sad	$\overline{}$	ness			
	inform		ly			
39	imperfect					I.
40	Sentence		Adverb of	Adverb of		l I
			time	place		
	I looked <u>everywhere</u> I could think of.					
	I am going to tidy my roor	n	1			
	tomorrow.		-			
41	was					I
42	"It is my birthday tomorrow	," said Am	ıy.			I
43	is was					l
44	I was playing the recorder.					
45	"May I have a glass of wate	-	' asked Farah			1
46	"lt(isn't) / ain't far now," said					
47	Sentence		dinating unction	Co-ordine conjunct		1
	I like cheese <u>but</u> I hate jam.	,		, ,		
	I want to be a doctor <u>when</u> I grow up.		1			
48	past progressive					I
49	I went / <u>was</u> roller blading i	n the park				l I
					TOTAL	50

Test B, Paper 2: Spelling test script and mark scheme

Notes for conducting the spelling test

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Read the instructions below to the children.

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I am going to read you 20 sentences. Each sentence has a word missing in your answer booklet. You should listen carefully to the missing word and fill this in, making sure you spell it correctly.

I will read the word, then the word within a sentence, then repeat the word a third time.

Do you have any questions?

Then read the spellings to the children as follows:

- I. Give the spelling number.
- 2. Say 'The word is...'.
- **3.** Read the context sentence.
- **4.** Repeat 'The word is...'.

Leave at least a 12-second gap between spellings.

At the end, re-read all 20 questions. Then say *This is the end of the test please put down your pen or pencil.*

Each correct answer should be awarded **I mark**. For more information on marking this task, please refer to page 10.

Spelling one: the word is **gardener**. The **gardener** planted a tree. The word is **gardener**.

Spelling two: the word is **young**. The girl was too **young** to go to school. The word is **young**.

Spelling three: the word is **unhappy**. The little girl was very **unhappy**. The word is **unhappy**.

Spelling four: the word is **chemist**. We went to the **chemist** to get some medicine. The word is **chemist**.

Spelling five: the word is **machine**. The **machine** was broken. The word is **machine**

Spelling six: the word is **scene**. The third **scene** in the play was my favourite. The word is **scene**.

Spelling seven: the word is **weigh**. You need to **weigh** all the ingredients before you make a cake. The word is **weigh**.

Spelling eight: the word is **answer**. I put my hand up to **answer** the question. The word is **answer**.

Spelling nine: the word is **busy**. At the weekend I was very **busy**. The word is **busy**.

Spelling ten: the word is certain.

Azeem looked at the map; he wasn't **certain** which way to go next.

The word is **certain**.

Spelling eleven: the word is **decide**. Jakub couldn't **decide** which T-shirt to wear. The word is **decide**.

Spelling twelve: the word is **describe**.

The police officer asked the witness to **describe** the burglar. The word is **describe**.

Spelling thirteen: the word is **height**. The children measured the **height** of objects in maths. The word is **height**.

Spelling fourteen: the word is history.

The children were learning about the Victorians in **history** lessons. The word is **history**.

Spelling fifteen: the word is important.

It is **important** to wash your hands before lunch.

The word is **important**.

Spelling sixteen: the word is minute.

The train will be here in a <mark>minute</mark>. The word is **minute**.

Spelling seventeen: the word is **notice**.

The **notice** said no cycling in the park. The word is **notice**.

Spelling eighteen: the word is opposite.

I live **opposite** the park.

The word is **opposite**.

Spelling nineteen: the word is quarter.

It was **quarter** past six.

The word is **quarter**.

Spelling twenty: the word is **therefore**.

The pool was shut, **therefore** the children could not go swimming.

The word is **therefore**.

Test C, Paper I: Questions mark scheme

Q	Answers			Marks		
I	the hottest day o	f the year was in(july.	I		
2	A verb					
3	<u>Carefully</u> , Layla s	tirred the soup.		I		
4	l borrowed a boo	k from the library	y on saturday.	I		
5	A conjunction			1		
6	My sister played	with the toys.		I		
7	My cousin made	a (huge) sandcastle	e with a blue bucket.	l I		
8	"Can you see the	hot air balloon ir	n the sky ? " asked Tom.	l I		
9	An adjective			I		
10	A noun			1		
11	The man posted	the letter.		1		
12	quick ly			1		
13	On tuesday, j hav	e been invited to	a swimming party.	1		
14	-	aring <u>shiny, black s</u>		l I		
15		ed(because)I score		I		
16	I love vegetables but I don't like fruit.					
17	Accept any suitat		ibe an elephant such as	I		
18	The young girl junction of the young girl juncti	mped energeticall Image: Big state	y.	I		
19	The girl slept und	er the blanket.		1		
20	Singular	Plural		I		
	box	boxes				
	boy	boys				
21	Singular	Plural		I		
	girl	girls				
	dish	dishes				
22	The boy was eati The girl was throu	ng a/ an pear. wing a /an orang	e ball.	I.		

Q	Answers						Marks
23	When can I go to the park						I.
24	Put your shoes on. or Put on your shoes.					l I	
	Meaning must stay the same.						
25	A statement					I	
26	The fish jumped out of the bowl.						I.
27	Present tense Past tense				I.		
	l am looking .	l was la	ooking.				
28	Sentence Main			ause	Subordin	ate clause	I.
	I was surprised that were allowed an ice cr the park.				·	J	
	My dog didn't like the fireworks because they were too loud.		1				
29	running						I.
30	Sentence F		ull stop Question mark				
	Sentence		-ull stop	Quest	ion mark		
	Can we go to the zoo		-ull stop	Quest	ion mark		
			-ull stop ✓	Quest			
31	Can we go to the zoo There is a zoo in the c	ity	1				1
31 32	Can we go to the zoo There is a zoo in the c "What a fantastic idea s	ity Sarah ! " s	✓ aid the teach	ner.			1
	Can we go to the zoo There is a zoo in the c	ity Sarah ! " s	✓ aid the teach	ner.			1
	Can we go to the zoo There is a zoo in the c "What a fantastic idea s	ity Sarah ! " s	aid the teach lisha to my p	ner.			-
32	Can we go to the zoo There is a zoo in the co "What a fantastic idea s I have invited Maya And you're	ity Sarah ! " s	aid the teach lisha to my p	her. Þarty. You will			- 1
32	Can we go to the zoo There is a zoo in the c "What a fantastic idea s I have invited Maya And you're you're	ity Sarah ! " s	aid the teach lisha to my p	ner. Þarty.			-
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Q	Answers	Marks
35	fearless	l I
	happiness	
36	super	l I
37	familiar, family, familiarise	l I
38	How amazing was that	l I
39	I had a cheese, lettuce and tomato sandwich.	l I
40	"How hot the weather is!" exclaimed Aaron.	l I
41	was	l I
42	I am writing a story.	l I
43	were was	l I
44	Apples are healthy but I don't like them.	l I
45	Any appropriate adjective that makes sense, for example green, small, large, beautiful, unusual.	I
46	"Would you like to play tennis?" asked the man.	l I
47	Sheis/ am older than me.	l I
48	We clapped when my friend won the race.	l I
49	"Would you like tea or coffee?" asked the waitress.	l I
50	I ate /was eating a toffee.	I
	TOTAL	50

Test C, Paper 2: Spelling test script and mark scheme

Notes for conducting the spelling test

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Do you have any questions?

Then read the spellings to the children as follows:

- **I**. Give the spelling number.
- **2.** Say 'The word is...'.
- **3.** Read the context sentence.
- **4.** Repeat 'The word is...'.

Leave at least a 12-second gap between spellings.

At the end, re-read all 20 questions. Then say This is the end of the test please put down your pen or pencil.

Each correct answer should be awarded **I mark**. For more information on marking this task please refer to page 10.

Spelling one: the word is **happily**. The children played <mark>happily</mark>. The word is **happily**.

Spelling two: the word is **plane**. I am going to France on a **plane**. The word is **plane**.

Spelling three: the word is **antique**. There was lots of **antique** furniture in the house. The word is **antique**.

Spelling four: the word is Thursday.I went swimming on Thursday.The word is Thursday.

Spelling five: the word is **regular**. A **regular** pentagon has equal sides and angles. The word is **regular**.

Spelling six: the word is **straight**. The teacher had **straight**, brown hair. The word is **straight**.

Spelling seven: the word is **through**. Alex walked **through** the muddy puddle. The word is **through**.

Spelling eight: the word is **different**. Sabrina wanted to wear a **different** dress. The word is **different**.

Spelling nine: the word is **strange**. There was a **strange** noise in the middle of the night. The word is **strange**.

Spelling ten: the word is **popular**. The fruit was very **popular** at break time. The word is **popular**. **Spelling eleven:** the word is **length**. We measured the **length** of the playground. The word is **length**.

Spelling twelve: the word is **experiment**. We did an **experiment** in science. The word is **experiment**.

Spelling thirteen: the word is **centre**. The chocolates had toffee in the **centre**. The word is **centre**.

Spelling fourteen: the word is **pyramids**. The famous **pyramids** are in Egypt. The word is **pyramids**.

Spelling fifteen: the word is **preferred**. I **preferred** the green apples. The word is **preferred**.

Spelling sixteen: the word is **return**. Zofia had to **return** the books she borrowed from the library. The word is **return**.

Spelling seventeen: the word is submarine.

The **submarine** went deep under the water. The word is **submarine**.

Spelling eighteen: the word is autograph.

Sam had a pen ready to get an **autograph** from the famous footballer. The word is **autograph**.

Spelling nineteen: the word is anticlockwise.

Turn the lid **anticlockwise** to open the jar. The word is **anticlockwise**.

Spelling twenty: the word is **superstar**. Sophie wanted to be a **superstar**. The word is **superstar**. [END]