Language Conventions Year 8 — Practice Exam 2 — Answers & Explanations

Answers to the 15 questions in the free preview.

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1. B. Running down the hill as fast as he could.
It has no subject and no main verb, so it is not a complete sentence.

2. Answer: apparent
The correct spelling is "apparent". Apparent ends in -ent.

3. C. The mural was painted by Year 8 students.
In the passive voice the thing acted on becomes the subject: “The mural was painted by…”.

4. Answer: tongue
The correct spelling is "tongue". Tongue ends in -ngue: t-o-n-g-u-e.

5. D. principal
The head of a school is the principal. A principle is a rule or belief.

6. Answer: interruption
The correct spelling is "interruption".

7. A. stationary
“Stationary” means not moving. “Stationery” is paper, pens and envelopes.

8. Answer: millennium
The correct spelling is "millennium". Double l and double n: mi-ll-e-nn-ium.

9. A. “I think,” said Nadia, “that we should wait.”
When speech is interrupted, commas go before and after the words “said Nadia”, and each part of the speech has its own speech marks.

10. Answer: forty
The correct spelling is "forty". Four has a u, but forty does not.

11. A. The dogs’ bowls were empty.
The bowls belong to several dogs, so the apostrophe goes after the s. Plurals on their own never take an apostrophe.

12. Answer: threshold
The correct spelling is "threshold". Only one h in the middle: thres-hold.

13. D. their
“Their” shows possession and is used for one person when their gender is not stated.

14. Answer: discipline
The correct spelling is "discipline". Discipline has a silent c after the s.

15. D. The reason was simple: nobody had checked the map.
A colon after a complete statement can introduce the explanation of it.

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