Language Conventions Year 8 — Practice Exam 3 — Answers & Explanations

Answers to the 15 questions in the free preview.

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1. B. There was only one thing left to do — run.
A dash can introduce a dramatic final word or phrase that explains what came before.

2. Answer: dilemma
The correct spelling is "dilemma". Dilemma has a double m.

3. C. its
“Its” shows possession, like “his” or “her”. “It’s” means “it is”.

4. Answer: licence
The correct spelling is "licence". In Australian English the noun is licence; the verb is license.

5. A. My grandmother, who is eighty, still swims every day.
Extra information that could be removed is set off by a pair of commas.

6. Answer: resistance
The correct spelling is "resistance". Resistance ends in -ance.

7. C. complemented
“Complement” means to go well with. “Compliment” means to praise.

8. Answer: consequence
The correct spelling is "consequence".

9. A. The weather will affect our plans.
'Affect' is usually a verb meaning to influence; 'effect' is usually a noun meaning a result.

10. Answer: ignorance
The correct spelling is "ignorance". Ignorance ends in -ance, like ignorant.

11. A. is
The subject is “the list”, which is singular. “Of items” describes it but does not change the verb.

12. Answer: noticeable
The correct spelling is "noticeable".

13. D. It was a two-hour journey.
Words that together describe a noun are hyphenated before it: a two-hour journey. After the noun, no hyphen: two hours.

14. Answer: occasion
The correct spelling is "occasion". Double c, single s: o-cc-a-sion.

15. C. The plan was perfect—until it wasn't.
A dash can be used to create a dramatic pause before an unexpected turn, placed directly between the two clauses.

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