

# Year 6 SATs

Grammar, Punctuation &  
Spelling Revision & Practice  
Booklet 4: Punctuation

## Answers



**G5.1 & G5.2: Capital Letters & Full Stops**

1. Circle each word in the sentence below that should begin with a **capital letter**.

I've always wanted to visit (india), where (i) would go to (agra) to see the (tajmahal) and go to (delhi) to experience the markets.

2. Which sentence uses **capital letters** correctly? Tick **one**.

we went to Birmingham for huw's skiing party. ....

We went to birmingham for huw's skiing party. ....

We went to Birmingham for Huw's skiing party. ....

We went to Birmingham for Huw's Skiing Party. ....

3. Insert **full stops** and **capital letters** in the passage below so it is punctuated correctly.

**M**y cousin, **M**ikel, is a talented sportsman. **H**e has played cricket for **B**ristol since he was nine years old and he hopes to play for **E**ngland one day. **I**f he does, **I**'ll be there to cheer him on.

4. Circle all the words in the sentences below that should start with a **capital letter**.

(prince) (harry) married (meghan) in (may) 2018. they were (married) at (windsor castle) in (england).

5. Which sentence uses capital letters correctly? Tick one.

I had to visit the Dentist with a sore tooth. ....

We had a class trip to the Museum last week. ....

I would like to visit the Isle of Wight. ....

We went to the Cinema to watch a great film. ....

6. Tick **one** box in each row to show whether the **capital letters** and **full stops** are used correctly or incorrectly in the sentence.

Sentence	Correct use of capital letters and full stops	Incorrect use of capital letters and full stops
We will visit my uncle this christmas		✓
I read an interesting book about the Second World War.	✓	
Kaya has a new baby brother called Kamal		✓



5. Alfie wants to know if the cinema has an access ramp for wheelchairs.

Write a **question** he could ask to find out.

Remember to punctuate your sentence correctly.

**Pupils' own responses, such as: Does the cinema have an access ramp for wheelchairs?**

### G5.5 and G5.6: Commas

1. Tick the option that correctly completes the sentence below.

\_\_\_\_\_ the prime minister of the United Kingdom.

In 2016 Theresa May, became.....

In 2016 Theresa May became, .....

In 2016, Theresa May became.....

In, 2016 Theresa May became .....

2. Insert a **comma** in the correct place in the sentence below.

Despite finding it difficult, Julian always perseveres at sport.

3. Add **two commas** to the sentence below to make it clear that Amal has four favourite toys.

Amal's favourite toys are unicorns, babies, building blocks and slime.

4. Which sentence is punctuated correctly?

Tick **one**.

Hattie went downstairs, put on her coat picked up the door key and left the house.

Hattie went downstairs, put on her coat, picked up the door key and left the house.

Hattie went downstairs, put on her coat, picked up the door key, and left the house.

Hattie went downstairs put on her coat, picked up the door key and left the house.

5. Tick **one** box in each row to show whether the **commas** are used correctly or incorrectly in the sentence.

Sentence	Commas used correctly	Commas used incorrectly
My lunchbox, overflowing with treats fell on the floor.		✓
My favourite foods are pizza, pasta, fruit, and cake.		✓
The beaver, which was wiped out 400 years ago, has been reintroduced to the UK.	✓	
My schoolbag is filled with reading books, pens, notepads and snacks.	✓	

### G5.7: Inverted Commas

1. Tick **one** box in each row to show whether the **inverted commas** are used correctly or incorrectly in the sentence.

Sentence	Inverted commas used correctly	Inverted commas used incorrectly
"Can I have a cup of tea?" called Dad.	✓	
"Put that back said Moira."		✓
"Leave me alone" Will shouted.		✓
"Please tidy up," said Ms Kamal.	✓	

2. Rewrite the sentence below as **direct speech**.

Remember to punctuate your sentence correctly.

I asked him if he would like to play with us.

I asked, "Would you like to play with us?"

3. Tick **two** boxes to show where the missing **inverted commas** should go.



The most common tools found in the Neolithic era were axes, said Mr Box.

4. Which sentence is punctuated correctly?

Tick **one**.

"Where are you all" asked Manish?.....

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5. Rewrite the sentence below as **direct speech**.

Remember to punctuate your sentence correctly.

I asked Misha if she would like to come to my house after school.

**Pupils' own responses such as: "Would you like to come to my house after school," I asked Misha.**

**G5.8: Apostrophes**

1. Which sentence uses the **apostrophe** correctly? Tick **one**.

The childrens' books were all over the floor. ....

The children's books were all over the floor. ....

The childrens book's were all over the floor. ....

The childrens books' were all over the floor. ....

2. Explain how the position of the **apostrophe** changes the meaning of the second sentence.

1. My sister's favourite books are all about horses.

2. My sisters' favourite books are all about horses.

**Pupils' own responses such as: The first sentence is about one sister whereas the second sentence is about more than one sister.**

3. Rewrite the words in the boxes with their expanded forms.

I am excited that it is my  
 ↓ ↓

birthday in a few days. I have asked for a football cake.  
 ↓

4. Tick **one** box in each row to show whether the **apostrophe** is used for a **contracted form** or for **possession**.

Sentence	Apostrophe for a contracted form	Apostrophe for possession
"I'm hungry," said Dana.	✓	
I think it is Mikel's coat.		✓
Suki's feeling ill.	✓	
Where is Julie's book?		✓

5. Rewrite the words in the boxes with their **contracted forms**.

My brother                     **doesn't**                     like pizza but

↓  
does not

                    **it's**                     my favourite food.

↓  
it is

### G5.9: Punctuation for Parenthesis

1. Which sentence is punctuated correctly? Tick **one**.

I am 1.54 metres (5 feet tall). .....

I am 1.54 metres (5 feet) tall. ....

I am 1.54 metres (5) feet tall. ....

I am 1.54 metres (5 feet tall.) .....

2. Insert a **pair of commas** in the correct place in the sentence below.

James, a boy in my sister's class, is an amazing tennis player.

3. Which punctuation could be used instead of commas in the sentence below.

Later, after we've finished our homework, we will go to play in the garden.

### **Brackets / pair of brackets / dashes / pair of dashes**

4. Insert a pair of **brackets** in the correct place in the sentence below.

The longest river in the world is the Nile (6,695 kilometres long) in Africa.

5. Which **two** of the sentences below use punctuation to show **parenthesis**? Tick **two**.

We have a toybox – it is overflowing with toys – in our playroom. ....

Without a sound, we tidied the books, pens and whiteboards away. ....

The little owl, it is around 20cm long, is usually seen during the day. ....

Carrying a large box, the delivery driver tripped over my scooter. ....

6. Insert a **pair of dashes** in the correct place in the sentence below.

My dogs – Cass and Jess – love finding lost balls.

**G5.10, G5.11 & G5.12: Colons, Semi-Colons and Single Dashes**

1. Which sentence uses a **dash** correctly? Tick **one**.

I play football weekly I am in – my local team. ....

I play football weekly – I am in my local team. ....

I play football – weekly I am in my local team. ....

I play – football weekly I am in my local team. ....

2. Insert a **colon** in the correct place in the sentence below.

I earned two new Brownie badges last term: first aid and home safety.

3. Which punctuation mark should be used in the place indicated by the arrow?

Greta is very sporty she plays football and hockey for the county.



Tick **one**.

comma .....

hyphen .....

full stop .....

semi-colon .....

4. Which sentence uses a **colon** correctly? Tick **one**.

Last summer, we visited: three different cities Bristol, Bath and Cardiff.....

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Last summer, we: visited three different cities Bristol, Bath and Cardiff.....

5. Insert a **semi-colon** in the correct place in the sentence below.

This year Hassan has made good progress; he works hard in all lessons.

**G5.13: Hyphens**

1. Insert **two hyphens** in the correct places in the sentence below.

I didn't enjoy the film because there was a **man-eating** shark chasing a **red-faced** boy through the deep blue sea.

2. Which sentence uses the **hyphen** correctly? Tick **one**.

There are twenty-five year olds in year one. ....

There are twenty-five-year olds in year one. ....

There are twenty five-year olds in year one. ....

There are twenty five-year-olds in year one. ....

3. Tick **one** box in each row to show whether the **hyphen** is used correctly or incorrectly.

Sentence	Hyphen used correctly	Hyphen used incorrectly
There are twenty-six people in our class.	✓	
My little-brother is very strong willed.		✓
The vet needed to re-examine my dog when she hurt her paw.	✓	

4. Tick **one** box to show where the **hyphen** should go.



The well known author came to our school during book week.

5. Which sentence uses the **hyphen** correctly? Tick **one**.

My red haired cousin has a fiery-temper. ....

My red-haired cousin has a fiery temper. ....

My red haired-cousin has a fiery temper. ....

My red haired cousin-has a fiery temper. ....

6. Insert **two hyphens** in the correct places in the sentence below.

The space ship will re-enter the Earth's atmosphere when it has completed its death-defying mission.

# Ten-Minute Test

1. Which sentence uses **capital letters** and **full stops** correctly? Tick **one**.

My cousins, Freya and sophie, will visit us in the Summer. ....

My cousins, Freya and Sophie, will visit us in the summer .....

my cousins, Freya and Sophie, will visit us in the summer. ....

My cousins, Freya and Sophie, will visit us in the summer. ....

2. Insert a pair of **brackets** in the correct place in the sentence below.

Justin is the tallest boy (1.7 metres) in our class.

3. Rewrite the sentence below as **direct speech**.

Remember to punctuate your sentence correctly.

I asked my mum if I could have a new phone for Christmas.

**Pupils' own responses, such as: I asked, "Mum, will I be allowed a new phone for Christmas?"**

4. Insert one **comma** and one **hyphen** in the correct places in the sentence below.

Travelling to France, we went on the high-speed ferry.

5. Which sentence must **not** end with an **exclamation mark**? Tick **one**.

What a shock .....

How amazing to see the tallest building in London.....

What are we doing next .....

Shut the door quickly .....

6. Which punctuation mark should be used in the place indicated by the arrow?

Yesterday, we held a cake sale  we raised over £50 for charity.

colon .....

hyphen.....

full stop.....

comma.....

7. Tick **one** box in each row to show whether the **apostrophe** is used for **singular** or for **plural** possession.

Sentence	Apostrophe for singular possession	Apostrophe for plural possession
The dog's bones were buried in the garden.	✓	
My brothers' favourite sports are gymnastics and skiing.		✓
The teachers' cars were washed for charity.		✓
My cousin's toys were all over the floor.	✓	

8. Alma wants to know what time the new toy shop will be open.

Write a **question** she could ask to find out.

Remember to punctuate your sentence correctly.

**Pupils' own responses, such as: "What time will the new toy shop be open?"**

9. Which sentence is punctuated correctly? Tick **one**.

"Can you come to play" asked Lee? .....

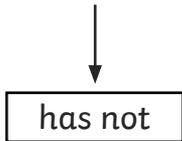
"Can you come to play?" asked Lee.....

"Can you come to play? asked Lee." .....

"can you come to play?" asked Lee. ....

10. Rewrite the words in the boxes with their contracted forms.

Gita hasn't completed her homework



because she's been ill.

