

SKILLS LIST and SAMPLE ITEMS

FOR

PRACTICE TEST FOR LANGUAGE ARTS, GRADE 11

(Test items developed for skills measured in ALABAMA*)

Skills

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| 1.0 Correct Grammar and Usage | 3.0 Appropriate Word Choice |
| 1.1 Correct Noun Forms | 3.1 Correct Sentence Structure |
| 1.2 Correct Verb Forms | 3.2 Internal Parallelism |
| 1.3 Subject-Verb Agreement | 4.0 Capitalization and Punctuation |
| 1.4 Pronoun-Antecedent | 4.1 Capitalization |
| 1.5 Verb Shifts | 4.2 Commas |
| 1.6 Correct Pronoun Case | 4.3 Semicolon and Colon Usage |
| 1.7 Effective Use of Voice | 4.4 Quotation Marks, Underlining |
| 1.8 Correct Use of Modifiers | 4.5 Apostrophe |
| 1.9 Commonly Confused Words | 5.0 Organizational Skills for Writing/Revising |
| 2.0 Appropriate Word Choice | 5.1 Logical Progression and Completeness of Paragraphs |
| 2.1 Clear, Vivid, Precise Language | |
| 2.2 Formal and Informal Language | |
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1. Choose the sentence in which the underlined word is correct.
 - A. I hope the long working hours don't effect your grades.
 - B. Orange and blue are complimentary colors.
 - C. The stationery was packaged in an attractive box.
 - D. He went to the councilor to get information on scholarships.

2. Choose the sentence in which the underlined word is correct.
 - A. "Roses" are the name of the poem he wrote for me.
 - B. Three boys in a gold car was following me.
 - C. The ingredients in the recipe were fresh.
 - D. Each team get to march in the parade.

3. Choose the sentence in which the underlined word is correct.
 - A. If each group member does his best, our school should win.
 - B. One of them threw away their application form.
 - C. Every last one of them forgot their application form.
 - D. George and him wanted to come help us decorate the float.

4. Choose the sentence in which the underlined word is an error.
 - A. Both Darren and Luke speak in assembly tomorrow.
 - B. I guess all teenagers likes pizza.
 - C. Neither Anna nor Andrew likes peanuts.
 - D. Some of the choir need larger robes.

5. Choose the sentence in which the underlined word is NOT correct.
 - A. She didn't swim across the pool.
 - B. Two-thirds of the pudding was eaten.
 - C. The application forms for the job were difficult to complete.
 - D. Here is three reasons for you to smile today.

6. Choose the sentence in which the underlined word is NOT correct.
 - A. Four times five are twenty.
 - B. There were ten books.
 - C. He is one of those people who are fond of the outdoors.
 - D. Three-fourths of the balance has to be paid by November.

7. Choose the sentence in which the underlined word is NOT correct.
 - A. Both Anna and Madeline had to bring their sweaters.
 - B. Every person has to bring their own sack lunch for the field trip.
 - C. Neither James nor Jim thought to bring his permission slip.
 - D. Morgan and the other dogs were taught to perform for their treats.

8. Choose the sentence in which the underlined word is correct.
 - A. Some of the dogs turned over its water bowls.
 - B. Most of the team clapped his hands when the demonstration ended.
 - C. Sara Moulton, a prize-winning chef, offered us her best recipe.
 - D. Every one of his tapes has their own unique beat.