

Examples of SPAG test questions: 49 to do in 45 minutes

All punctuation to be completely accurate otherwise no marks given. Spelling also a criteria in several questions. Several parts to be correct for one mark and no mistakes allowed.

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Write the **contracted form** of the underlined words in the box.

That decision does not seem fair.

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What does the word Others refer to in the passage below?

Some plants, such as sunflowers, die in winter. Others, such as daffodils, survive as bulbs underground.

Tick **one**.

plants

sunflowers

daffodils

bulbs

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Tick one box to show which part of the sentence is a **relative clause**.

The table which is made of oak is now black with age.

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Tick **all** the sentences that contain a **preposition**.

Ali locked the door before he left.

The shops are beyond the main road.

My brother is behind me in the race.

Barry is below Andrew in the register.

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What does the root struct mean in the word family below?

**destruction**      **structure**      **reconstruct**

Tick **one**.

break     

build     

carry     

touch     

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

henry tudor married his first wife, catherine, in june 1509. they married in london.

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Tick to show which sentence uses the **past progressive**.

Tick **one**.

After Ali finished his homework, he went out to play.     

Gemma was doing her science homework.     

Jamie learnt his spellings every night.     

Anna found her history homework difficult.     

The spelling test (20 words) tests knowledge of a range of spelling rules including prefixes, suffixes, phonic knowledge with various letter patterns. Examples of the words in the spelling test include:

gymnastics

edible

posture

sleigh

illusion

parachute

abundance