SPaG Activities

Activity 1 - Spelling with silent letters

Clink this $\underline{\text{link}}$ to revise silent letters.

Try and work out the answers to each clue. All answers are words with silent letters.

30. This can cut.	29. Dead people are found in here.	28. You can write on the blackboard with this piece of rock.	27. You need this word to ask a question about the time.	26. This ship has broken on the rocks.	25. You do this with you teeth when you are angry or asleep.
19. A wild animal from Africa	20. Most people wear a watch here.	21. The biggest mammal.	22. It explodes and is used in a war.	23. A fish that can live in the sea or a river.	24. You can use this to open a door.
18. Girls wear these but boys don't.	17. When the wind isn't blowing the sea is	16. If you cannot feel your leg it is	15. This is ground up to make flour.	14. The opposite of right.	13. Dogs do this to bones.
7. A joint halfway up/ down your leg.	8. You find this around a chocolate bar.	9. You can eat this with custard	10. A leg is one and so is an arm.	11. Two quarters.	12. You need two needles and some wool to do this.
6. A baby cow	5. A person who fixes the taps.	4. Plum and thumb do this.	3. You need a pen or a computer to do this.	2. An ornament in the garden.	1. A joint on your finger. START HERE!
55. You use this to keep your hair tidy.	56. A person who sells meat.	57. An insect that whines and bites.	58. The beat in a piece of music.	59. This holds a flower up.	60. A grassy mound. HOME!
54. You need a lot of this to succeed in your tests.	53. This is when you are unsure of something.	52. You can be sucked down into the middle of this.	51. A knight uses this for fighting.	50. When you ask a question you expect one of these.	49. You do this on your knees.
43. A tiny piece of bread or biscuit.	44. I would if I	45. You tie this in string.	46. You get more of these as you get older.	47. You can get your prescription in this shop.	48. If you owe money to someone, you are in
42. Someone who does not tell lies is	41.You do this on a door to get an answer.	40. The yellow part of an egg.	39. You have one of these on each hand.	38. An African wild animal with one big horn.	37. Two men do this in a ring for a competition
31. The tree is all bent and twisty.	32. A person who has nothing.	33. Little children do this when they want something.	34. A baby sheep.	35. Ipswich is the biggest town in this county.	36. He saves maidens from tall towers.

http://www.collaborativelearning.org/silentletters.pdf>

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Activity 2- Formal and Informal Language

Click this <u>link</u> to find out about the difference between for	ormal and informal language.
Click on this <u>link</u> to take a short test to help you warm u	p.
Warming up *	
Q1.	
Which sentence is the most formal ?	
	Tick one.
The way they played was terrible, wasn't it?	
I wish they'd put a little more effort in today!	
If only they'd tried a bit harder, they would've won.	
The team were defeated due to mistakes that they made.	

Underline the sentence that is the most formal in the passage below.

Hope you can make it to my birthday party next week! It's going to be great! The venue is yet to be confirmed. I'm still checking out a couple of places.

1 mark

Q3

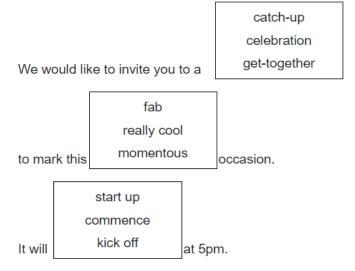
Which sentence is the most formal?

	Tick one.
Watching too much television should be avoided.	
You shouldn't watch too much TV.	
Watching lots of TV isn't a good idea.	
You really should try not to watch loads of telly.	

1 mark

Q4

Circle the most formal option in each box below to complete the invitation.



Which se	entence is the most formal ?			
		Tick one.		
She sug	gested that her mother be present.			
She rea	lly hopes to be ready on time.			
Don't for	rget to lock the door!			
lf Johnn	y's late, we'll start without him.			
				1 mark
Q6				
Which s	entence is the most formal?			
		Tick	one.	
Your produced	esence is requested at the wedding er.	of our		
	uld like to come to our daughter's g, wouldn't you?			
We'd lo weddin	ve you to join us for our daughter's g.			
Our dau	ughter's getting married – please cor	me!		
				1 mark

	Complete the sentence below with a contraction that makes sense.	
	I can't believe what been up to all this time!	1 mark
<u>Fe</u>	eling confident**	
Q1		
	Some words have been underlined in the sentence below.	
	My mum promised she would help me with my homework.	
	Use a contraction to replace the underlined words.	
	My mum promised help me with my homework.	
		1 mark
Q2		
	Complete the sentence below with a contraction that makes sense.	
	I don't think going to come.	1 mark

Which sentence is written in an impersonal form?		
	Tick one.	
They say that practice makes perfect.		
Practising will make you perfect.		
It is said that practice makes perfect.		
In order to be perfect, I must practise.		
		1 mark

Complete the table with the contracted forms of the words.

Word	Contraction
Tim will	
shall not	
will not	

I don't have enough time to go shopping.	
Tick one box to show the correct impersonal version of the above.	e sentence
	Tick one.
I don't have enough time to do that.	
It isn't time to go shopping.	
Going shopping takes up enough of my time.	
There isn't enough time to go shopping.	
	1 mark
An error is underlined in the sentence below.	
I have told you before, I <u>hasn't</u> got any money!	
Write the correction in the box.	
L	1 mark

Ready for a challenge***

Apostrophes for possession and contractions

- Clink on the <u>link</u> to revise how to use apostrophes for possession and in contractions.
- Scroll down on the link to take a warm up quiz.

Q1

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

We shall not do that	at again!
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1 mark

Q2

Insert an apostrophe in the correct place in the sentence below.

Pupils coats should be hung on the pegs.

1 mark

Q3

Tick one box in each row to show whether the underlined noun is **singular** or **plural**.

	Singular	Plural
The <u>customers'</u> hunger was satisfied by the pizza.		
The <u>princess's</u> slippers were made of glass.		
Those are the <u>boys'</u> books.		

	lain how the position of the apo ond sentence.	ostrophe changes	the meaning of t	he
1.	What are your brother's favo	ourite toys?		
2.	What are your brothers' fav	ourite toys?		
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	one box in each row to show whatracted form or possession.	nether the apostrop	he is used for a	
Se	ntence	Apostrophe for a contracted form	Apostrophe for possession	
Wh	nere is Karen's pen?			-
Jos	shua's hungry.			
Ple	ease get the dog's dinner.			
The	e cat's outside.			
				1 mark
V	Vhich sentence uses an apostrophe con	rectly?		
		Tick one.		
-	The children's clothes were hanging up			

Q6

Tick one.

The children's clothes were hanging up.

The childrens' clothes were hanging up.

The childrens clothe's were hanging up.

The childrens clothes' were hanging up.

Which sign uses the apostrophe of Tick one .	correctly?	
This shop is open on Saturday's.	Print photo's from your camera here.	
The children's play area is closed.	Dog's are not allowed on the beach.	

Answers

Activity 1 - Spelling Answers

60	59	58	57	56.	55.	54.	53.	52.	51.
knoll	stalk	rhythm	gnat	butcher	comb	knowledge	doubt	whirlpool	sword
41.	42.	43.	44.	45.	46.	47.	48.	49.	50.
knock	honest	crumb	could	knot	wrinkles	chemist	debt	kneel	answer
40.	39.	38.	37.	36.	35.	34.	33.	32.	31.
yolk	thumb	rhino	wrestle	knight	Suffolk.	lamb	whine or whinge.	wretch	gnarled
21.	22.	23.	24.	25.	26.	27.	28.	29.	30.
whale	bomb	salmon	knob	gnash	wreck.	what	chalk	tomb	knife
20.	19.	18.	17.	16.	15.	14.	13.	12.	11.
wrist	gnu	knickers	calm	numb	wheat.	wrong	gnaw	knit.	half
1.	2	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.	10.
knuckle	gnome	write	rhyme	plumber	calf	knee	wrapper	rhubarb	limb

Activity 2- Formal and Informal answers

Mark schemes

Warming up*

Q1

Award 1 mark for the correct box ticked.

The team were defeated due to mistakes that they made $\ensuremath{\checkmark}$

1 mark

Q2

Award 1 mark for the correctly underlined words.

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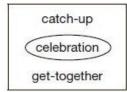
1 mark

Q3

1 mark

Q4

Award 1 mark for the correct word encircled in each box.







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	She suggested that her mother be present.	1 mark
Q6		
	Your presence is requested at the wedding of our daughter.	1 mark

Award 1 mark for any suitable contraction, eg:

I can't believe what you've / Ryan's / the dog's / he's been up to all this time!

For the award of the mark, the apostrophe must be placed correctly.

Feeling confident**

Q1	My mum promis	sed <u>she'd</u> help me witl	n my homework.
			ctly and the word spelt correctly. 1 mark
Q2	I don't The apostro	phe must be placed co	rrectly and the word spelt correctly.
		t additional words, eg: acher's, the train's	1 ma
Q3	It is said that p perfect.	ractice makes	
			1 mark
Q4	correctly.		postrophe must be correctly placed and the word spelt
	Words	Contraction	
	Tim will	Tim'll	

1 mark

shan't

won't

shall not

will not

Q5			
	There isn't enough time to go shopping.	✓	
	mere to the endage and to go enopping.		
Q6			
	haven't		
	Also accept 'have not'.		1 mark
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Q1	Award 1 mark for We shall not do that again! shan't		

Award 1 mark for a correctly completed table.

	Singular	Plural
The <u>customers'</u> hunger was satisfied by the pizza.		√
The <u>princess's</u> slippers were made of glass.	✓	
Those are the <u>boys'</u> books.		√

1 mark

Q4

Award 1 mark for a response that demonstrates understanding of the plural possessive apostrophe, e.g.

- In the second sentence, it means that there is more than one brother.
- · In the second one, it shows plural possession.
- 1. One brother. 2. Two brothers.

Also accept responses that demonstrate understanding without referring to the second sentence, e.g.

In the first sentence, there is only one brother.

There are no spelling or punctuation requirements for this question.

1 mark

Q5

Award 1 mark for a correctly completed table.

Sentence	Apostrophe for a contracted form	Apostrophe for possession
Where is Karen's pen?		✓
Joshua's hungry.	✓	
Please get the dog's dinner.		✓
The cat's outside.	✓	

					1 mark
Q7					
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	This shop is open on Saturday's.		Print photo's from your camera here.		
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	The children's play area is closed.		Dog's are not allowed on the beach.		
	✓			1	