

Linguistic Milestones and Grammar Fundamentals

English Language · Practice Test · 18 Questions

1. What is the first letter of the English alphabet?

- A) A
- B) Z
- C) B
- D) C

2. The first English dictionary was published in 1604. Which part of speech is used to name a person, place, or thing?

- A) Verb
- B) Adjective
- C) Noun
- D) Adverb

3. Johannes Gutenberg invented the printing press. Which punctuation mark ends a statement sentence?

- A) Question mark
- B) Period
- C) Comma
- D) Exclamation point

4. The first telegraph message was sent in 1844. Which word is a pronoun that replaces a person's name?

- A) Table
- B) Run
- C) She
- D) Quickly

5. Alexander Graham Bell invented the telephone. Which of these is a verb indicating an action?

- A) Talk
- B) Fast
- C) Happy
- D) Blue

6. The Wright brothers achieved the first flight in 1903. What is the plural form of the word 'goose'?

- A) Gooses
- B) Geese
- C) Goosees
- D) Goos

7. Sir Isaac Newton discovered gravity. Which article is used before a word starting with a vowel sound?

- A) The
- B) A
- C) An
- D) Some

8. The first computer was the ENIAC. Which word in the sentence 'The cat sat' is the subject?

- A) The
- B) Cat
- C) Sat
- D) None

9. The first photograph was taken in 1826. Which type of word describes a noun, like 'bright' in 'bright light'?

- A) Adjective
- B) Verb
- C) Preposition
- D) Conjunction

10. The first lightbulb was perfected by Edison. Which word correctly completes: 'He ____ to school yesterday'?

- A) Go
- B) Goes
- C) Went
- D) Gone

11. The first bicycle was created in 1817. Which word is an example of a preposition?

- A) Jump
- B) Under
- C) Quick
- D) Happy

12. The first email was sent in 1971. Which contraction represents 'do not'?

- A) Dont
- B) Do'nt
- C) Don't
- D) Dnot

13. The first hot air balloon flight happened in 1783. Which word is a proper noun?

- A) City
- B) Paris
- C) Road
- D) Dog

14. The first stethoscope was invented in 1816. Which word is the plural of 'child'?

- A) Childs
- B) Children
- C) Childes
- D) Childen

15. The first x-ray was discovered in 1895. Which word identifies the action in 'She reads a book'?

- A) She
- B) Reads
- C) A
- D) Book

16. The first plastic, Bakelite, was invented in 1907. Which punctuation mark is used for possession?

- A) Apostrophe
- B) Colon
- C) Semicolon
- D) Hyphen

17. The first postage stamp was issued in 1840. Which word is a synonym for 'fast'?

- A) Slow
- B) Quick
- C) Heavy
- D) Soft

18. The first thermometer was created in 1593. Which word is the opposite of 'always'?

- A) Never
- B) Often
- C) Usually
- D) Daily