

Advanced English Grammar Fundamentals

English Grammar · Practice Test · 10 Questions

1. Which of the following sentences correctly utilizes the subjunctive mood to express a requirement?

- A) It is essential that he be present at the meeting.
- B) It is essential that he is present at the meeting.
- C) It is essential that he will be present at the meeting.
- D) It is essential that he has been present at the meeting.

2. What is the grammatical term for a word that is formed by joining two or more words to create a new meaning, such as 'breakfast' from 'break' and 'fast'?

- A) Portmanteau
- B) Compound
- C) Acronym
- D) Clipping

3. In the sentence 'Whom did you invite to the gala?', why is 'Whom' the correct pronoun?

- A) It is the subject of the sentence.
- B) It is the object of the verb 'invite'.
- C) It is a possessive pronoun.
- D) It functions as an adverbial modifier.

4. Which sentence demonstrates the correct placement of an adverb in a split infinitive?

- A) To quickly run is the goal.
- B) To run quickly is the goal.
- C) Quickly to run is the goal.
- D) To run is quickly the goal.

5. Identify the sentence that correctly employs a collective noun with a singular verb, common in American English usage.

- A) The team are playing their best.
- B) The team is playing its best.
- C) The team were playing their best.
- D) The team have played their best.

6. Which of these pairs represents a 'dangling modifier' error?

- A) Walking down the street, the trees looked beautiful.
- B) After eating lunch, we walked home.
- C) Having finished the report, she left.
- D) To improve your score, study daily.

7. What type of clause is 'that I bought yesterday' in the sentence 'The car that I bought yesterday is red'?

- A) Independent clause
- B) Restrictive relative clause
- C) Non-restrictive relative clause
- D) Coordinate clause

8. Which sentence correctly uses the past perfect tense?

- A) By the time he arrived, the train left.
- B) By the time he arrived, the train had left.
- C) By the time he arrived, the train was leaving.
- D) By the time he arrived, the train has left.

9. Which punctuation mark is correctly used to connect two independent clauses without a coordinating conjunction?

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

10. What is the comparative form of the adjective 'little' when referring to quantity or amount?

- A) Littler
- B) Less
- C) Least
- D) Lesser