

Year 6

Grammar

G7 – Standard

English and

formality

Standard English

Circle the correct **verb form** in each underlined pair to complete the sentences below.

The last place I saw Jack and Gwen was / were in the playground.

At the museum, there was / were many interesting exhibits.

The bikes was / were lined up for the start of the race.

1 mark

Circle the correct word in each underlined pair to complete the sentences below using **Standard English**.

The autumn leaves was / were crunching beneath our feet as we walked along.

We done / did a great job in picking the juiciest fruit for our pie.

My brother didn't do anything / nothing to help us.

1 mark

Circle the correct **verb form** in each underlined pair to complete the sentences below using **Standard English**.

We was / were going on a school trip to a concert.

The musicians did / done a sound check before the show.

1 mark

Circle the correct word in each box to complete the sentences in **Standard English**.

Pass me

them
those

cartons, please.

You sang that song very

good.
well.

We always

did
done

our homework on time.

1 mark

Which sentence is written in Standard English?

Tick **one**.

I went to the library and done my homework.

☐

They seen their friends at the cinema.

☐

I been to the circus with my aunt and uncle.

☐

I sang with the school choir in the concert.

☐

1 mark

Which sentence is written in **Standard English**?

Tick **one**.

Two sports teams come to our school yesterday.

☐

My friend was tidying the classroom.

☐

Today the children done their school play.

☐

The teachers was going to send a letter next week.

☐

1 mark

Which sentence is **not** written in **Standard English**?

Tick **one**.

We were all at the skate park yesterday evening.

☐

Jay did a brilliant trick on his skateboard.

☐

I am not as good at them tricks as Jay is.

☐

Jay said he would show me how to improve.

☐

1 mark

Tick one box in each row to show whether the sentence is written in **Standard** or **non-Standard English**.

Sentence	Standard English	Non-Standard English
I were going to keep the picture to show you.		
We was helping to design the new school building.		
He doesn't know nothing about football.		
I have done all the washing-up.		

1 mark

Tick one box in each row to show whether the sentence is written in **Standard** or **non-Standard English**.

Sentence	Standard English	Non-Standard English
"You haven't done a bad job!" she told us.		
"You ain't done a bad job!" she told us.		
"You've done an excellent job!" she told us.		
"You done an excellent job!" she told us.		

1 mark

Formality

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

We would like to invite you to a

catch-up
celebration
get-together

to mark this

fab
really cool
momentous

occasion.

It will

start up
commence
kick off

at 5pm.

1 mark

Circle the most **formal** option in each underlined pair below to complete the passage.

The basketball club was set up / established by a group of friends last year.

They invited / got people who were interested in the game to join.

Now they play / compete in their local league.

1 mark

Circle the more **formal** option in each underlined pair in the sentence below.

We are writing to ask / request that you consider / think about

using some of the proceeds / money from the school fair to

buy / purchase a wooden bench for the playground.

1 mark

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

Which sentence is the most **formal**?

Tick **one**.

Your presence is requested at the wedding of our daughter. ☐

You would like to come to our daughter's wedding, wouldn't you? ☐

We'd love you to join us for our daughter's wedding. ☐

Our daughter's getting married – please come! ☐

1 mark

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

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. ☐

1 mark

Which sentence is the most formal?

Tick **one**.

Getting enough sleep is important, isn't it? ☐

Let's set off early for school tomorrow. ☐

Do you fancy coming with us to the park? ☐

It is essential that we remember our water bottles. ☐

1 mark

Which sentence is the most **formal**?

Tick **one**.

We can't keep your things here, as there's no room.

☐

It is essential that you take all your belongings with you.

☐

Please pack up all your stuff before you leave.

☐

It's time to get all your bits and pieces together.

☐

1 mark

Which sentence is the most **formal**?

Tick **one**.

I asked him to phone me when he got here.

☐

I told him to call me as soon as he turned up.

☐

I got him to ring me when he came in.

☐

I requested that he telephone me on arrival.

☐

1 mark

Which sentence is the most **formal**?

Tick **one**.

The school would save so much money, wouldn't it?

☐

The school could end up better off financially.

☐

The school would benefit from the financial savings.

☐

It's a great idea to save school funds!

☐

1 mark

Which sentence is the most **formal**?

Tick **one**.

We'd appreciate it if you could put your litter in the bin outside.

☐

Please pick up your litter and put it in the bin.

☐

We request that you put any litter in the bins provided.

☐

Don't forget – litter goes in the bin!

☐

1 mark

Which sentence is the most **formal**?

Tick **one**.

I can't wait for the game tomorrow!

☐

Kick-off is at 2pm.

☐

The coach has yet to announce the team.

☐

I really hope I'll be playing!

☐

1 mark

Which sentence is the most **formal**?

Tick **one**.

Come on – find a seat!

☐

Sit down, won't you?

☐

Have a sit-down.

☐

Please be seated.

☐

1 mark