Minimum Standard Reading Test

Sample Questions

1. Which is the correct punctuation to complete the sentence?

That's amazing

- !
- ?
- :
- ,

2. The ____________ lasted all night.

Which word correctly completes the sentence?

- celebration
- celeration
- selebration
- sellebration

3. Which sentence uses the word 'cut' to mean feeling upset?

- I cut the sandwich in half.
- I made the cut for the team of 20 players.
- I was deeply cut when my friend ignored me.
- The accident left me with a deep cut on my finger.
4.

Which word is not needed in this sentence?

A towbar is used to attach together a trailer to a car.

- used
- attach
- together
- to

5.

Which sentence uses the correct punctuation?

- When a film is released is important to its success?
- Who directs a film is very influential for its overall success?
- How many films received nominations for best screenplay at the recent Academy Awards?
- What the viewing audience votes for is a major determining factor in deciding film awards?

6.

The little boy has a very vivid _________________.

Which of these words would complete this sentence correctly?

- imagination
- imagination
- immagination
- immaginination

7.

The supervisor wanted me to do some additional hours last weekend.

Which of the following words is closest in meaning to additional?

- extra
- most
- some
- total
8.

Which pull-down menu would I use if I wanted to see the basic storyline of a movie that is screening at my local cinema?

- Synopsis
- Buy tickets
- Session times
- Consumer advice

9.

Which sentence uses the word *fold* as a noun?

- She cut the paper along the fold.
- The doors can fold back to make one large room.
- When you fold your arms it often expresses anger.
- I am going to fold the cloth before putting it in the cupboard.

10.

Which word in this sentence needs an apostrophe to show ownership?

*The apprentices signed their leave forms in the supervisors office before picking up their pay slips.*

- apprentices
- forms
- supervisors
- slips

11.

Which word would best complete the sentence?

Adelaide is described as the city of many______________.

- church's
- church
- churches
- churches
12.

Which sentence uses correct grammar?

- They sung the same song twice.
- Is he the tallest of the two?
- She sent it to you and I.
- He swims quite quickly.

13.

Which sentence uses the apostrophe correctly?

- The teacher collected the students’ permission notes for the excursion.
- The teacher collected the student’s permission note’s for the excursion.
- The teacher collected the students permission notes’ for the excursion.
- The teacher collected the students permission note’s for the excursion.

14.

The transition from childhood to adulthood – the 'coming of age' of boys who become young men and girls who become young women – is a significant stepping stone in everyone's life. But the age at which this happens, and how a child celebrates their __________ of passage into adolescence, depends entirely on where they live and what culture they grow up in.

Which of the following correctly completes the second sentence in the text?

- right
- rite
- wright
- write

15.

In which of the following are all the words synonyms for the word *permeate*?

- dry, match, perm
- infuse, seep, infiltrate
- imbue, avalanche, seep
- saturate, diffuse, dehydrate