



Grammar

My command of grammar is mostly consistent.
My control of tense and agreement is mostly secure

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TEST

Breaking down the skill:

- I write with correct grammar most of the time, although I might make the occasional mistake.
- I can control tense and agreement most of the time but sometimes make the odd error.

TASK 1. In the following sentences, circle the correct form of the verb to match the indicated tense.

Sentence	Tense
The boy plays/played football all afternoon.	Past
Sarah ate/eats all the chocolate in the house.	Present
The birds fly/flew away at the sound of the gun firing.	Past
The sound of traffic poured/pours through the window.	Present
The curtains twitched/twitch as the old lady peered out.	Past
Rabbits ran/run in all directions when the farmer appeared.	Past
I wonder/wondered why the grass is green.	Present
Suddenly, the teacher yelled/yells at the pupil.	Past
Yellow roses nodded/nod their heads in the summer breeze.	Past
The flies scatter/scattered across the window, trying to escape.	Present

TASK 2. Write down the correct plural form of each of the following nouns.

Singular Noun	Plural Noun
Cat	
Beauty	
Kiss	
Flower	
Injury	
Patch	
Computer	
Loaf	
Party	
Wish	
Volcano	
Knife	
Tomato	

TASK 3. For each of the following sentences, circle the correct form of the verb to match the number of subjects and the tense indicated.

Sentence	Tense
The children was/were/is/are going out to play.	Past
The books on that shelf was/were/is/are very difficult to read.	Present
The shed was/were/is/are falling down.	Past
She was/were/is/are not the brightest pupil in the class.	Present
The fence was/were/is/are blowing away in the storm.	Past
They was/were/is/are going to the fair this evening.	Present
"Satellite dishes was/were/is/are ugly," he exclaimed.	Present
Behind the church was/were/is/are a field of bluebells.	Past
Despite his worrying, David was/were/is/are winning the race.	Past
The clouds was/were/is/are gathering overhead.	Past
The plaster was/were/is/are crumbling away from the ceiling.	Present
"It was/were/is/are too hot out here," she remarked.	Present
Slowly, the wallpaper was/were/is/are peeling off the wall.	Past
Slowly, the water levels was/were/is/are rising from the floods.	Present
There was/were/is/are too many tools here to carry.	Present
The shelves was/were/is/are rather badly assembled.	Past
Although it was hot, the cat was/were/is/are curled up by the radiator.	Past
The grass was/were/is/are growing very quickly this spring.	Present
Loudly, the telephone was/were/is/are ringing in the hallway.	Past
This chair was/were/is/are not very comfortable.	Present

TASK 4. Add verbs to the following sentences so that the paragraph is accurately written in the present tense.

I _____ so excited. It _____ the FA Cup final and I _____ a seat in the front row of Wembley Stadium. I _____ with my mates outside of the turnstiles and _____ a programme. It _____ £8 but it _____ worth the money. We all _____ and have a joke. We _____ so excited. Eventually, we _____ the front of the queue and _____ the stadium. Already, we can _____ the singing and the chanting of the fans. It _____ amazing. We _____ through the busy crowd.

TASK 5. Add verbs to the following sentences so that the paragraph is accurately written in the past tense.

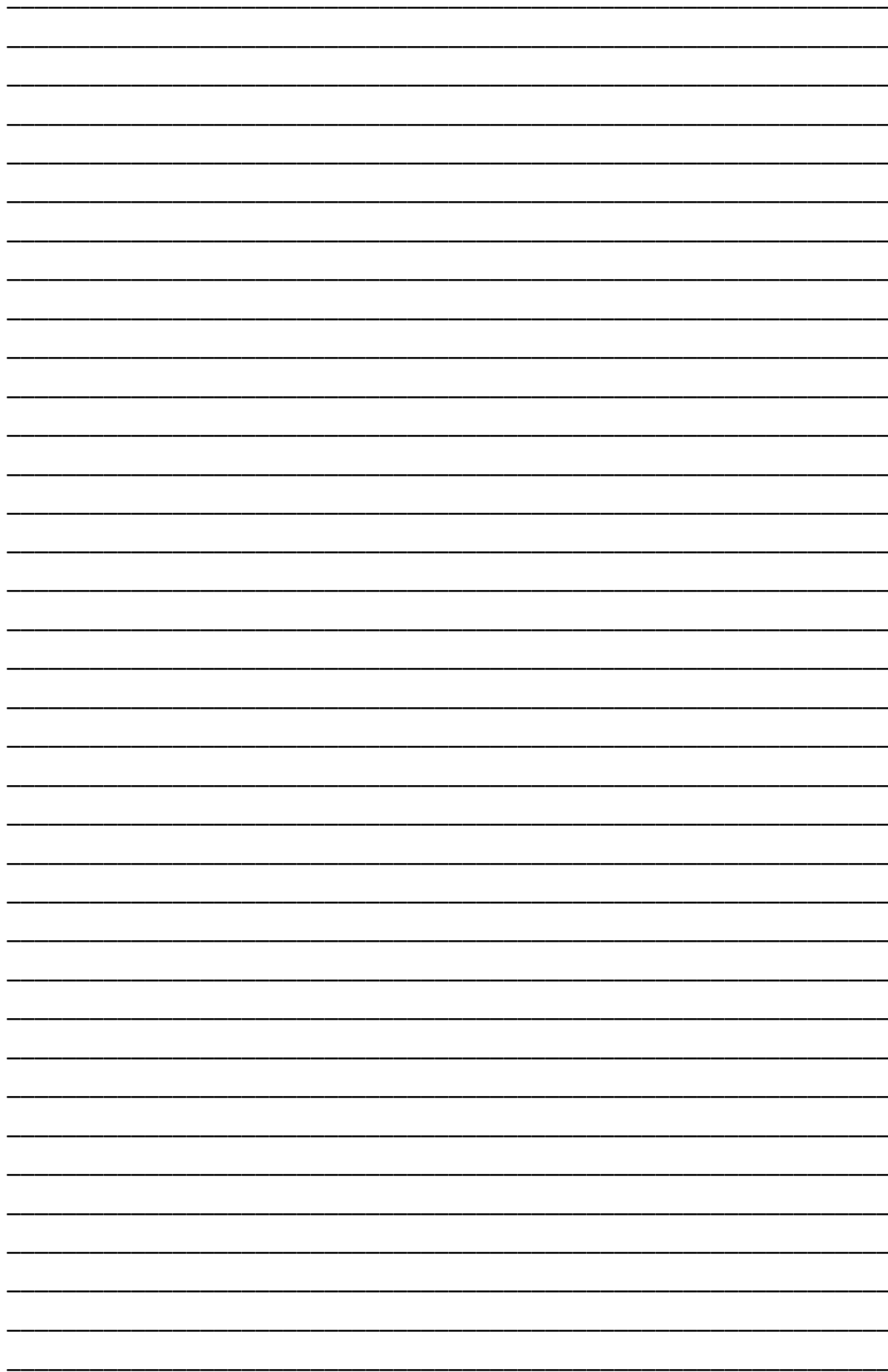
Last year _____ the best year of my life. I _____ for my birthday for months and finally the day _____ here. My Father _____ me tickets to _____ my favourite band, the 1975, and I _____ so excited. It _____ a glorious evening – warm and sunny. I remember _____ in the crowded arena, completely lost in the music and the atmosphere. As the concert _____ to a close, I _____ until my hands are sore and red.

TASK 6. Describe a time that you won something. You could use one of the following ideas:

- A race or sporting competition
- A prize for academic achievement
- A raffle or prize draw
- A 'booby prize'

Focus on consistent and accurate grammar. This is a recount text so you will be mainly writing in past tense.

TURN OVER TO COMPLETE THIS TASK.



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