

English Punctuation & Grammar: Hard Practice Paper 3

Volcanoes

In these sentences there are some **punctuation and grammar** mistakes. The ten numbered lines follow on from one another and make one short passage. On each numbered line there is either **one** mistake or **no** mistake. The words are split into four groups, **A** to **D**. Find the group of words with the mistake in it and mark its letter. **If there is no mistake, mark E.**

Q1.

A volcano is not simply a mountain; it is an opening in the crust.

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A

B

C

D

- A. A volcano is not
- B. simply a mountain;
- C. it is an opening
- D. in the crust.
- E. No mistake

Q2.

Three things pour out of a volcano, lava, ash and hot gas.

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A

B

C

D

- A. Three things
- B. pour out of a volcano,
- C. lava, ash
- D. and hot gas.
- E. No mistake

Q3.

Scientists tools can now warn a village days in advance.

A

B

C

D

A. Scientists tools

B. can now warn

C. a village

D. days in advance.

E. No mistake

Q4.

Mount Etna is famous for it's long history of eruptions.

A

B

C

D

A. Mount Etna

B. is famous for

C. it's long history

D. of eruptions.

E. No mistake

Q5.

In 1883 Krakatoa exploded, and the sound was heard in Australia.

A **B** **C** **D**

- A. In 1883
- B. Krakatoa exploded,
- C. and the sound was
- D. heard in Australia.
- E. No mistake

Q6.

The ash rose so high (some say twenty miles that it darkened the sky.

A **B** **C** **D**

- A. The ash rose so high
- B. (some say twenty miles
- C. that it darkened
- D. the sky.
- E. No mistake

Q7.

Ash clouds are dangerous, they can stop an engine in flight.

A **B** **C** **D**

- A. Ash clouds are dangerous,
- B. they can stop
- C. an engine
- D. in flight.
- E. No mistake

Q8.

Neither the ash nor the lava are the biggest danger of all.

A **B** **C** **D**

- A. Neither the ash
- B. nor the lava
- C. are the biggest
- D. danger of all.
- E. No mistake

Q9.

The greatest danger of all is the gas that pours out with the lava

A **B** **C** **D**

- A. The greatest danger
- B. of all is the gas
- C. that pours
- D. out with the lava
- E. No mistake

Q10.

Even so, people still farms the rich soil around a volcano.

A **B** **C** **D**

- A. Even so,
- B. people still farms
- C. the rich soil
- D. around a volcano.
- E. No mistake