

English Punctuation & Grammar: Medium Practice Paper 4

The School Play

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.

Although we had rehearsed for weeks nobody knew the last scene.

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A

B

C

D

- A. Although we had
- B. rehearsed for weeks
- C. nobody knew
- D. the last scene.
- E. No mistake

Q2.

The hall was full, and the lights had already been dimmed.

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A

B

C

D

- A. The hall was full,
- B. and the lights
- C. had already
- D. been dimmed.
- E. No mistake

Q3.

Mr Rowe whispered "Remember to speak slowly," and stepped back.

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

- A. Mr Rowe whispered
- B. "Remember to
- C. speak slowly,"
- D. and stepped back.
- E. No mistake

Q4.

The costumes hung on a rack just outside the girls dressing room.

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

- A. The costumes hung
- B. on a rack
- C. just outside
- D. the girls dressing room.
- E. No mistake

Q5.

In the wings, Nadia could not see nothing through the bright lights.

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

- A. In the wings,
- B. Nadia could
- C. not see nothing
- D. through the bright lights.
- E. No mistake

Q6.

At that moment, the music started, the whole hall fell silent.

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

- A. At that moment,
- B. the music started,
- C. the whole hall
- D. fell silent.
- E. No mistake

Q7.

Nadia stepped forward, and her voice carried clearly to the back row.

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

- A. Nadia stepped forward,
- B. and her voice
- C. carried clearly
- D. to the back row.
- E. No mistake

Q8.

In the last act, the ghost appeared and finally lost it's temper.

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

- A. In the last act,
- B. the ghost appeared
- C. and finally
- D. lost it's temper.
- E. No mistake

Q9.

Mr Rows face broke into a smile as the applause began to build.

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A

B

C

D

- A. Mr Rows face
- B. broke into a smile
- C. as the applause
- D. began to build.
- E. No mistake

Q10.

Everyone agreed that the ending was much more better than the start.

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A

B

C

D

- A. Everyone agreed
- B. that the ending
- C. was much more better
- D. than the start.
- E. No mistake