

# **Insight English Study Plans – Year 9**

## **WEEK 1 ANSWERS**

# ACHIEVE TESTS BOOK 3 ANSWERS

- 15 There are many acceptable answers; give full marks to responses that add appropriate descriptors both before and after the noun, half marks to either before or after.

Sample answers:

Noun	Noun phrase
unicorn	the black unicorn with glowing eyes
highway	the long highway to the beach

- 16 Answers may vary; give half a mark for each suitable answer.

Word	Antonym
increase	decrease
colourful	dull

- 17 Give only a whole mark for both commas. Remember that the best seat in the house, which is in the centre of the auditorium, is always allocated to the principal.
- 18 Paris gave Carlos and I the best presents for our birthdays. ✗
- 19 There are many possible answers; give credit for any reasonable correct response. Sample answer: All my friends (except Alison, who was sick) came to my birthday party.
- 20 Give half a mark for each question.
- a Sara (served) breakfast to her mum but (spilled) the tea everywhere.
- b When a southerly wind (is) particularly strong, I (get) a chill.
- 21 Miss Chen told the class to bring our notebooks and a pen, but I didn't know if she meant us to bring paper or computer notebooks.

- 22 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

Adverb	Adverb of time	Adverb of manner	Adverb of frequency	Adverb of place
near				✓
again			✓	

- 23 Give half a mark for two correct labels.
- The flock of pigeons landed on the statue of Captain Cook in hope of respite.
- Labels: CL (above flock), CM (above statue), P (above Captain Cook), A (above respite).

- 24 The vase was knocked over by the boy.
- 25 Give half a mark for each correct answer.
- a Even though the dingo (howled) menacingly in the distance, Safia still (stepped) out into the darkness.
- b The surgeon (was satisfied) as he (completed) the operation in record time with assistance from his conscientious team.
- 26 Give half a mark for each correct answer.
- 'My (S)chool bag is really heavy!' shouted Annalise, but her (M)um didn't hear.
- 27 I'm not sure whether I want to study accounting; business; law or engineering at university. ✗
- 28 Give half a mark for each correct answer.
- | Verb                  | Infinitive form |
|-----------------------|-----------------|
| drives, drove, driven | to drive        |
| went, gone            | to go           |
- 29 (Tanika) found swimming long distances in the ocean easy.
- 30 Give half a mark for each correct answer that includes both commas in the correct place.
- a Jack, as might be expected, was wandering along in a world of his own.
- b The TV, which had all the new technology, was a bestseller from the day it was released.
- 31 Cumin, mustard seeds and coriander are used in Indian cooking; they greatly improve the flavour of curries.
- 32 Give half a mark for each correct answer.
- Harry foolishly (chose) to ignore Caspar's (advice) about sticking to the path, so he got lost.

- 33 There are many acceptable answers; give credit for any reasonable correct response. Sample answer: Students weren't using the library effectively because they didn't know how to use the catalogue until touch screens were installed.

- 34 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

Sentence	Personal pronoun	Relative pronoun	Possessive pronoun
Linh, who lives next door, grows amazing cabbages.		✓	
My aunty comes to our house every weekend with her kids.			✓

- 35 Give half a mark for each correct answer.
- a Sanjay was the (tallest) of the five kids in his family.
- b Amiel sang the (longest) song of all the contestants on the show.
- 36 ('What do you think you're looking at?') the man on the train shouted at us angrily.
- 37 Answers may vary, but give half a mark credit for each successful tense change. Sample answer: Evie will be good at playing the drums, but her little sister will enjoy it a lot more.
- 38 comparative
- 39 Give full mark only if all changes are made. I knew a few self-defence moves but not enough for my dad to let me go out by myself late at night.
- 40
- apparent — unaware  
surprising  
immediate  
obvious

## SPELLING LISTS

### TEST 1

- contingency
- courageous
- disguise
- delicacy
- emphasis
- intentionally
- flavouring
- frequency
- fusion
- jargon
- legendary
- merchandise
- obviously
- opinionated
- resolution
- solitary
- speculate
- tactical
- tentative
- tragedy

### TEST 2

- absentee
- comprehension
- confidential
- democratic
- eccentric
- ecological
- gauge
- impulsive
- justifiable
- legible
- magnification
- monumental
- photography
- procedure
- qualifications
- racquet
- remittance
- schedule
- strategies
- virtuous

### TEST 3

- consolidate
- cyberspace
- dedication
- definitive
- facilitate
- flourish
- gratitude
- humanitarian
- ideology
- judicial
- livelihood
- masquerade
- mythology
- omission
- perceptive
- relinquish
- scourge
- sophisticated
- stimulus
- sustainable

# SPELLING LISTS

## TEST 4

- 1 biodegradable
- 2 debilitate
- 3 dilemma
- 4 extravagance
- 5 genre
- 6 ligament
- 7 ludicrous
- 8 meticulous
- 9 noxious
- 10 permissible
- 11 reciprocal
- 12 retribution
- 13 sensationalise
- 14 subsequent
- 15 supplement
- 16 tantalising
- 17 temperament
- 18 thermometer
- 19 thoroughfare
- 20 uncompromising

## TEST 5

- 1 hereditary
- 2 imminent
- 3 imperceptible
- 4 infallible
- 5 lacerate
- 6 malnourished
- 7 miniature
- 8 parenthesis
- 9 repercussions
- 10 scrupulous
- 11 simultaneous
- 12 squeamish
- 13 succulent
- 14 synthesise
- 15 terminology
- 16 theoretical
- 17 therapeutic
- 18 treacherous
- 19 triumphant
- 20 vacillate

## TEST 6

- 1 dysfunctional
- 2 loquacious
- 3 manoeuvre
- 4 martyr
- 5 mellifluous
- 6 minuscule
- 7 miscellaneous
- 8 nonchalant
- 9 ostentatious
- 10 ostracised
- 11 paraphernalia
- 12 poignant
- 13 rancour
- 14 recalcitrant
- 15 superfluous
- 16 tenacious
- 17 translucent
- 18 trepidation
- 19 vengeance
- 20 scintillating

# SPELLING TEST ANSWERS

## SPELLING TEST 1

- 1 As we packed for our hiking trip, we carefully considered our **contingency** plan.
- 2 The **courageous** adventurer fought her way through the jungle.
- 3 Our new **disguise** included a fake moustache and a wig.
- 4 In many countries, liver and brains are a great **delicacy**.
- 5 As I explained the problem with my car, I put a lot of **emphasis** on how quickly I needed it fixed.
- 6 I didn't break the camera **intentionally**; it was just a terrible accident.
- 7 I'm allergic to artificial **flavouring**.
- 8 The **frequency** of Julian's visits to his grandmother was decreasing.
- 9 Modern food is often a **fusion** of many different cuisines.
- 10 Rebecca was disappointed by the amount of **jargon** included in the politician's speech.
- 11 My favourite bedtime story when I was young was the **legendary** tale of Jason and the Argonauts.
- 12 The music festival **merchandise** included t-shirts, drink bottles and caps.
- 13 Only a few of the class studied for the test so, **obviously**, a lot of us failed.
- 14 I don't like to ask my brother questions about politics because he is too **opinionated**.
- 15 Next year, I am determined to stick to my New Year's **resolution**.
- 16 An hour after the play, there was a **solitary** child left outside the school waiting to be collected.
- 17 We shouldn't **speculate** about who will be elected school captains next year.
- 18 Will's **tactical** error meant the other team scored the first goal of the match.
- 19 Ms Oi gave a **tentative** answer to our question about the fundraiser because the school hadn't confirmed the date for the event.

- 20 Losing my phone was irritating, but it wasn't a real **tragedy**.

## SPELLING TEST 2

- 1 I was the only **absentee** from our class on the day of the test, so I had to sit it at lunchtime the next day.
- 2 Mr Zhou likes to test our listening **comprehension** in every Chinese lesson.
- 3 I was glad that the details of my illness were kept **confidential**.
- 4 Our school leaders are chosen through a completely **democratic** process.
- 5 I enjoy Mr McWilliam's art classes because he tells us about the lives of really **eccentric** artists.
- 6 The oil spill in the gulf was an **ecological** disaster that would take years to clean up.
- 7 I can always **gauge** my big brother's mood by the music he plays when he gets home.
- 8 Taking my new phone to the pool was an **impulsive** decision that I later regretted.
- 9 Dad asked me why I hadn't rung my grandmother for a month, but I didn't have a **justifiable** reason.
- 10 Since I have been using my laptop to take notes in class, my writing has become less **legible**.
- 11 We needed a little **magnification** to read the fine print at the bottom of the contract.
- 12 Forgetting to study for my English test was a **monumental** mistake.
- 13 The **photography** course included units on digital editing that I had already completed.
- 14 The correct **procedure** for starting the machinery was the first item in the safety briefing.
- 15 The new maths teacher had very impressive **qualifications**.
- 16 My tennis **racquet** broke when I accidentally dropped it from the balcony.
- 17 The **remittance** I gave my French conversation tutor was worth every cent.

- 18 Our **schedule** for the revision day is really tight.
- 19 The **strategies** I use to study in English are very different from the ones that work for me in maths.
- 20 Having spent my weekend cleaning up my grandmother's yard, I felt incredibly tired but also very **virtuous**.

## SPELLING TEST 3

- 1 My first step in exam preparation is to **consolidate** my notes.
- 2 You can never really be sure who you are talking to in **cyberspace**.
- 3 Ethan's **dedication** to photography means he will probably have a long and successful career.
- 4 Even though I looked in several reference books I couldn't find a **definitive** answer to my question.
- 5 Amy was called in to **facilitate** a meeting between the two arguing classmates.
- 6 With Mr Amici's guidance I began to **flourish** in art classes.
- 7 Rashad showed his **gratitude** for his mother's hard work by thanking her every day.
- 8 The refugee camp received a shipping container of **humanitarian** aid including blankets, tents and medical supplies.
- 9 Issy does not agree with my **ideology**, but she respects that I have strong beliefs.
- 10 Finn wanted to join the police force so he enjoyed learning about the **judicial** system.
- 11 Tam's **livelihood** was threatened when the council banned her from selling fresh fruit at her farm gate.
- 12 The **masquerade** was brought to an end when Detective Brown discovered the truth about Harley's past.
- 13 In many cultures, **mythology** plays an important role, particularly in art and literature.
- 14 Paul's only **omission** from the story was the exact cause of his accident.

## Short-answer Test 1

- 1 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

Adverb	Adverb of manner (how)	Adverb of time (when)	Adverb of place (where)
slowly	✓		
tomorrow		✓	

- 2 Honestly, I've looked everywhere for my

keys I've searched through the recycling  
bins, in the car and under my bed.

- 3 There are many possible answers; give half a mark to each response that adds appropriate descriptors both before and after the noun, 1/4 mark to either before or after.

Sample answer:

Noun	Noun phrase
pencil	the coloured pencil on the floor
cottage	the traditional cottage in the countryside

- 4 Our class went to the/a zoo but the gorillas we wanted to study for our science assignment wouldn't come close.

- 5 Give half a mark for each correct part of the answer.

Mr Osei is my favourite teacher because he let us help ourselves to fruit on camp. However, sometimes we don't eat as much fruit as we should.

- 6 Give half a mark for each correct part of the answer.

Nadien and Eve couldn't begin blowing up balloons because Marcus was threatening to pop them all.

- 7 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

Last September, our football team was full of regret when we lost our final game.

- 8 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

Explanation	True	False
The word <b>fickle</b> means loyal and faithful.		✓
To <b>peruse</b> means to follow someone with the intention of catching them.		✓

- 9 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

- a oxidation  
b orchestration

- 10 Give half a mark for each correct answer. Various answers are acceptable for the second part of the question; accept any reasonable response.

Sample answer: When I saw Emily's new shoes and jacket, I was jealous because/as they were exactly the ones I wanted.

- 11 Give half a mark for each correctly placed pair of commas.

- a The car , which belongs to my parents , took over three hours , to polish.  
b The football manager , however , was not impressed , with the result.

- 12 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

- a He was encouraged to try harder by the new advanced maths teacher.  
b She was driven to the concert by Dad, even though he had work to do at home.

- 13 There are many possible answers; give full marks to responses that include appropriately placed colons.

Sample answer:

My favourite meal is a plain hamburger: meat, bun, sauce, onions and cheese.

- 14 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

Dad was driving me to the stationery shop to buy school supplies when he crashed into a stationary car.

- 15 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

- a Nick was excited when they reached the Queensland border.  
b It took Rosie an hour and a half to get into town, so she decided she wanted to live at school as a boarder during term time.

- 16 Give half a mark for each correctly placed comma.

Kaylah and Simon , who have known each other , since prep , have just had an enormous argument , and have stopped speaking , to each other.

- 17 Mika chose , a banana, grape and , mango smoothie ; Sean picked , a strawberry gelato.

- 18 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

They concentrated throughout the rehearsal and made detailed notes when the conductor spoke. He explained how important it was for the audience not just to hear but also to see them.

- 19 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

- a At the beginning of the week everyone was enthusiastic, but the feeling didn't last.  
b Every day I go to school with a packed lunch that Nona makes for me.

- 20 Give half a mark per correct answer.

- a My class, 9A, is the loudest in the school.  
b The herd of cows was standing all over the road.

- 21 My grandparents' cars are so old they don't have electric windows.

- 22 My imagination is endless.

- 23 Thaksin invited me to his party but neither my dad nor my mum was home to take me.

- 24 Clauses in different order are acceptable. Award a full mark to responses that use the connectives correctly and make sense.

Sample answer: The students were extremely noisy while they were eating their lunch until the principal asked them to quieten down.

- 25 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

Every Saturday when Casey's Mum drops her off at Tennis, she goes across the road for coffee instead of watching her daughter's matches.

- 26 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

- a We students demand more variety in the canteen menu!  
b Only two students – he and I – got an A for the test.

- 27 b comparative

- 28 Caitlin took her little sister , to the show but she wouldn't go on some of the rides ; Dubstep Delirium , The Tentacle Train and Piranha Pete's Pirate Ship.

- 29 Give half a mark for each correct part of the answer.

- a Sam got a lift to the train station with Adisa and myself. ✗  
b Jian and her family were, themselves, new to the area. ✓

- 30 Give half a mark for each correctly placed pair of dashes.

- a The new gym – equipped with spin bikes and a climbing wall – will be great for PE classes in winter.  
b The annual cake stall – usually a well organised event – might be cancelled this year.

- 31 There are many possible answers; give credit for any reasonable response.

Sample answer: The shopping centre, which is close to my house, was extremely busy.

- 32 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

- a Each of the children was given a medal.  
b Neither of the cars was suitable for Dad.

- 33 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

I gave her licence to look at my new licence.

- 34 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

- a compare: someone who introduces the acts in a show ✗  
b complement: to say something positive or flattering ✗

- 35 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

'Gracie?' her mother asked tentatively. 'Have you seen the dark peppermint chocolate I left on the bench? It's for your father's birthday tomorrow. I've looked absolutely everywhere for it!'

- 36 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

It didn't matter how many times their phones rang, Kat and Charlie weren't going to answer.

- 37 b subordinating

- 38 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

Adverb	Adverb of manner	Adverb of time	Adverb of place
inside			✓
sullenly	✓		

- 39 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

- a Kim had found the recipe online but couldn't find the cite again. ✗  
b I failed my assignment because I didn't site my sources. ✗

- 40 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

It only took Ed a few days to recover from the effects of the surgery but his doctor found it hard to elicit enough information to decide whether Ed was ready to return to school.

## Short-answer Test 2

- 1 Give half a mark for each correct answer. Slight variations in response are possible, but only reward sentences where the object-verb-subject structure is observed. Sample answer:

- a The winning goal in the last match of the year was scored by Luke.  
b A great exhibition was put on last week by some avant-garde artists.

- 2 I have been to three movies this summer: a comedy about a ghost with hay fever, a romantic comedy that was set in space and a thriller about a travelling mime in Kenya.

- 3 A variety of responses may be possible; only reward answers using appropriate connectives/connective phrases.

Sample answer: Even though Claire had studied extensively for her exam, she was still extremely nervous.

- 4 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

- a funny: hilarious  
b numerous: many