

Insight English Study Plans – Year 9

WEEK 7 ANSWERS

ACHIEVE TESTS BOOK 3 ANSWERS

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.

SPELLING TEST ANSWERS

- 15 Freya's **perceptive** response to the poem showed maturity and careful reading.
- 16 If you choose to **relinquish** your title of Employee of the Month, you will have to go back to work at the drive-through.
- 17 Hot weather was the **scourge** of our ice-skating team.
- 18 Amelia wanted her formal dress to be elegant and **sophisticated**.
- 19 The **stimulus** we were given for our creative writing task was the first line of a popular song.
- 20 Our school is trying to be more environmentally **sustainable** this year by asking us to turn off all the lights when we leave a room.

SPELLING TEST 4

- 1 Dad insists we only stock **biodegradable** plastic bags for our customers in the shop.
- 2 The aim of the trap was to **debilitate** and not to injure the animals.
- 3 Our biggest **dilemma** was whether we should paint the house red or blue.
- 4 Having just spent a week working at the soup kitchen, Carl thought that getting a new phone was an **extravagance**.
- 5 Growing up, TJ's favourite **genre** of fiction was fantasy.
- 6 Katie tore a **ligament** in her ankle when she fell down the stairs.
- 7 The suggestion that we should have the assignment done in 24 hours was **ludicrous**.
- 8 You have to be **meticulous** to be a good technical illustrator.
- 9 The weed killer gave off a whole range of **noxious** gasses.
- 10 'It is not **permissible** to be late to my class,' was Mrs Katz's catchphrase.
- 11 We have a **reciprocal** arrangement with the local primary school; we use their tennis courts and they use our cricket nets.
- 12 When my brother broke my laptop, Mum made me promise I wouldn't seek **retribution**.
- 13 I don't like to read magazines that **sensationalise** tragic events.
- 14 Because Sayuj did so well in the algebra test he was excused from any **subsequent** assessment on the topic.
- 15 Tim decided to take private Chinese lessons to **supplement** what he was learning in class.
- 16 The display of cakes in the bakery window was **tantalising**.
- 17 Keenan's mid-term report said that he had a calm and gentle **temperament**.
- 18 As the temperature rose that day, we went back to look at the **thermometer** every fifteen minutes.

- 19 Since Charles Street became a one-way street, our road has become the main **thoroughfare** for traffic in town.
- 20 Taylor was **uncompromising** in her training for athletics; she always gave it 100%.

SPELLING TEST 5

- 1 Zane was sure that being uncoordinated was **hereditary** because his whole family tripped over regularly.
- 2 The crowd started surging towards the stage when the **imminent** arrival of the band was announced.
- 3 Xander's changes to his dance routine were **imperceptible** to everyone except his teacher.
- 4 Emma felt **infallible** for the few brief seconds before she fell off the swing.
- 5 Instead of carefully carving perfect slices of lamb roast, Dean tended to **lacerate** it into oddly shaped chunks.
- 6 The students were horrified by the graphic images of **malnourished** children in the desert.
- 7 The toy collector offered us a fortune for our mint-condition **miniature** train set.
- 8 Sally added, as a **parenthesis**, that she had loved every minute of the excursion.
- 9 When we failed to hand in our homework, we knew there would be **repercussions**.
- 10 Frankie was always **scrupulous** when it came to handling the donations for her church.
- 11 There were **simultaneous** parties in Echuca and Moama to celebrate the completion of the new bridge across the Murray River.
- 12 Excessively gory horror films always made Virginia feel **squeamish**.
- 13 The barbecue chicken had just been taken off the rotisserie, so it was incredibly hot and **succulent**.
- 14 Hamish struggled with everything in chemistry class except how to **synthesise** plastics.
- 15 Learning new **terminology** was Tyra's favourite part of studying psychology.
- 16 The **theoretical** parts of Alisha's art exam were not as difficult as she had anticipated.
- 17 As well as being delicious, the honey and lemon had **therapeutic** benefits for Nicki's sore throat.
- 18 The young crew was challenged by the **treacherous** currents.
- 19 Finally **triumphant**, the team walked a slow lap of the stadium to soak up the applause of the crowd.
- 20 I thought I had made up my mind, but when I heard Andreas explain his point of view I began to **vacillate**.

SPELLING TEST 6

- 1 The organisation's management team was so **dysfunctional** that the CEO fired everyone.
- 2 Harper's **loquacious** nature made her the perfect candidate for the debating team.
- 3 The four-wheel drive was so big it was almost impossible to **manoeuvre** it into the car park.
- 4 When Marika volunteered to miss the party to look after her little sister, her mum told her that she didn't need to be a **martyr**.
- 5 The choir's **mellifluous** harmonies flowed through the hallways.
- 6 My big sister's writing is so **minuscule** I need a magnifying glass to read it.
- 7 When we moved house we had over a dozen boxes labelled '**miscellaneous**' and had no idea what was in any of them.
- 8 Caleb's **nonchalant** attitude to study meant he wasn't well prepared for his final exams.
- 9 Georgie's **ostentatious** new earrings were noticed by everyone the minute she walked into the room.
- 10 We are all very careful to make sure no-one in our team feels **ostracised**.
- 11 Gran has an attic filled with all kinds of quirky knitting **paraphernalia**.
- 12 The coverage of the accident provided a **poignant** reminder that we should always wear bike helmets.
- 13 Even though the opposition had demolished us without mercy, our **rancour** subsided when they shared their post-match pizzas.
- 14 Yolanda was the least **recalcitrant** member of our class; she always did exactly what the teachers asked her to do.
- 15 The **superfluous** food from the cake sale was donated to the local homeless shelter.
- 16 To succeed in professional sport, Tony knew he would have to be diligent and **tenacious**.
- 17 The butterfly's wings shimmered with a **translucent** blue sheen as moved it through the sunlit valley.
- 18 I stepped into the thick mud of the creek bed with enormous **repudiation**.
- 19 Thankfully, when I accidentally broke her tennis racquet, Katia had no desire to seek **vengeance**.
- 20 The new 3D documentary about llamas is the most **scintillating** film I have ever seen.

9 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

| Sentence | Personal pronoun | Relative pronoun | Possessive pronoun |
|---|------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| I can't believe it — <u>their</u> coats are all over the floor! | | | ✓ |
| The car park, <u>which</u> is next to the church, had no empty spaces at all. | | ✓ | |

10 There are many possible answers; give credit for any reasonable correct response that uses a colon to correctly introduce the list. Sample answer:

For PE I need a lot of gear: shoes, shorts, a t-shirt, a hat and a water bottle.

11 Give half a mark for each correctly identified modal.

Mary gets hungry when she (can) smell the freshly cooked chickens at her local charcoal chicken shop. She (won't) eat one, but they smell incredible.

12 Seriously, I didn't mean to cause any offence with that remark; I am extremely sorry if you felt insulted.

13 Give half a mark for each two correct answers.

irascible — floats
 supersede — easily made angry
 unanimous — in complete agreement
 buoyant — replace with a new or better version

14 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

| Sentence | Subordinating | Coordinating |
|--|---------------|--------------|
| The doctor told her to wait <u>until</u> the swelling had gone down. | ✓ | |
| Pritika wanted to wear her new dress <u>but</u> it was too cold outside. | | ✓ |

15 There are many possible answers; give credit for any reasonable correct response. Sample answer: My school uniform, which I actually find quite comfortable, was very expensive.

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

a The magician did his best trick; the children, however, were not impressed.
 b The school trip, which is scheduled for October, looks likely to cost \$10.

17 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

a The medley of 80s hits Tahlia and Katie used for their dance routine to (was) hilarious.
 b The team (is) united by a passion for the game.

18 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

a The vase was broken by Alfie.
 b The rabbit was taken to the vet by the girls.

19 Khalid's soccer skills had really improved; he attributed the change to his coach Manny's great advice.

20 Give half a mark for each correct answer. What is the (quickest) way to cross the river? (You're) usually right, aren't you?

21 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

| Explanation | True | False |
|--|------|-------|
| A landmark refers to two gardens joined by a fence. | | ✓ |
| A testimonial is a character reference or recommendation. | ✓ | |

22 Our cat eats mice.

23 My big brother Alex is really superstitious ~~X~~ so for his end-of-year exams he always wears exactly the same outfit : a grey shirt, black jeans and the beanie Aunty Regie bought him in Nepal.

24 The order of the clauses may vary.

Sample answer: The sheep used to escape from the yard while they were being sheared until farmers began experimenting with electric fences.

25 Give half a mark for two correct labels.

Last Tuesday we went to the zoo, which had

a large herd of elephants. We were filled

with curiosity watching the youngest calf

trying to walk.

26 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

a Coco was the (fastest) 100-metres sprinter in Year 9.

b Demis always saw the (best) side of people.

27 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

a The children climbed the icy mountain trail (without) fear.

b She put the key (in) her pocket because her quest was completed.

28 Give half a mark for each complete set of quotation marks.

'Hi Mum, how was your day?' Hayley asked when she arrived home.

'Fabulous, actually. I got a new job!' was the reply that came from the study.

29 There are many possible answers; give credit for any reasonable correct response. Sample answer: Sarah was famous for baking cheesecake squares, which she topped with fresh cream and chocolate, for her friends' birthdays.

30 to remove all moisture, to dry out

31 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

a possessive

b personal

32 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

a independence

b acceptance

33 There are many possible answers; give credit for any reasonable correct response. Sample answer: Immy could get the lead role in the play this year although she might not even audition.

34 Ellis 'A-Train' Tiddwell is my favourite basketball player.

35 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

Clinton thought all of the (children's) ideas were great, but he decided to go with what the (adults) suggested and buy the teacher some flowers.

36 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

a superhuman

b substandard

37 Note: there is only one full stop to correct (the final one).

Andreas asked himself if he would enjoy the advanced maths class. He thought so but he asked his teacher for her advice anyway. 'Mrs Serino, do you think I would like it?'

38 a Zak is the one member of the class with (whom) I have things in common.

b (He, she and I) were all nominated for Captain.

39 The trains on Gigi's line were delayed — which was not really unusual — so she was twenty minutes late for school.

40 a Tuan (could have) missed the bus if you hadn't set an alarm.

b Victoria was lucky to escape the accident without a scratch; it (would've) been much worse if she hadn't been wearing a seat belt.

Short-answer Test 4

1 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

| Sentence | Personal pronoun | Relative pronoun | Possessive pronoun |
|--|------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| The swimming pool, <u>which</u> has just opened, has an amazing slide. | | ✓ | |
| David took a deep breath as he stepped forward to take <u>his</u> bat. | | | ✓ |

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

a Our teacher, who is called Mrs Robertson, is an avid reader.

b The youngest students, however, were not allowed to leave campus during the day.

3 The best ship in the fleet was stolen by pirates.

4 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

a If you want to come to the party with Harry and (me) you will have to meet us at my house at 7pm.

b Basil asked Theo, Candice and (me) if we could take notes in class for him while he was away.

5 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

The test would (probably) be on Tuesday, but Tilly (potentially) would not have time to study for it.

6 Give half a mark for two correct labels.

The crowd of people gathered near the Taj Mahal

and their faces filled with wonder as they listened intently to the guide.

7 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

If you see a predator (that's) coming in your direction, you should try to merge (with) your surroundings.

8 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

a Some people prefer to write using a computer; others prefer to use a pen.

b Stop regularly when driving long distances; drink plenty of water to stay alert.

9 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

a Sam left his favourite red tennis shirt in the changing rooms. ✓

b Dana reflected on the long, difficult journey she had taken to get home.

10 Give one mark for adding the same correct prefix to both words. No half marks.

a nonfiction

b nonsense

11 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

a permissible

b accessible

12 Give a whole mark only for including both dashes correctly.

All of my friends — Claire, Jackie, Bal and Laura — came to visit me in hospital.

13 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

| Sentence | Subordinating connective | Coordinating connective |
|--|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| I will ring you <u>when</u> I have finished my homework. | ✓ | |
| The players were proud of each other <u>although</u> they had lost the game. | | ✓ |

14 There are many possible answers; give half a mark for each correct response. Sample answer:

| Word | Synonym |
|-----------|----------|
| broad | wide |
| elaborate | detailed |

15 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

- a independence
- b patience

16 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

| Adverb | Adverb of manner | Adverb of time | Adverb of place |
|------------|------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| everywhere | | | ✓ |
| earlier | | ✓ | |

17 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

- a Jihan and his sisters (ride) to school every day in a big bike convoy.
- b I'm not sure if cockroaches or spiders (are) a worse thing to find in your lunch.

18 b Whenever she went sailing in the evenings, her dad would come too.

19 The zoo keeper, having had a mishap with a bear, wouldn't go back into the enclosure.

20 Give half a mark for each two verbs.

- a After a long match, the tennis players (retreated) to the house and (rested) in the lounge.
- b As soon as the news (emerged), everybody (congratulated) each other with joy and happiness.

21 Give half a mark for each correct answer. Accept either *he* or *she* as a replacement for the coach. The swimmers waited patiently for their coach to tell them which lanes to swim in. He/she reminded the swimmers about the race plan.

22 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

- a The (largest of Eddie's pet iguanas) is nearly a metre long.
- b The customer ordered a (double espresso with three sugars).

23 Give half a mark for each correct answer. There are many possible answers; give credit for any reasonable correct response that does not contain a verb. Sample answer:

- a The students pushed their chairs under their desks.
- b In the orchard, fruit was rotting on the ground.

24 There are many possible answers; give credit for any reasonable correct response that includes both a conjunction and appropriate punctuation. Sample answer: I generally like vegetables but I think asparagus is vile.

25 Give half a mark for each correct answer. Credit either *man* or *that man* for b.

- a (Mum) would never leave me by myself in the house at night.
- b What is that (man) shouting about?

26 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

| Explanation | True | False |
|---|------|-------|
| The word <u>jovial</u> means to be jolly and merry. | ✓ | |
| The word <u>idyllic</u> means to admire somebody. | | ✓ |

27 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

- a Jade was unsure who she should invite to the party.
- b Noor, with whom I went to primary school, is still my best friend.

28 Give half a mark for each correct answer. Phoebe knew that (a) kangaroo was fast but she didn't expect that it could pass (an) old ute on the dirt road.

29 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

- a omission
- b embarrassment

30 Give half a mark for each correct answer. There are many possible answers; give credit for any reasonable correct response that adds words before and after the noun. Sample answer:

| Noun | Noun phrase |
|------|---------------------------------------|
| vase | the fragile vase on my mother's table |
| shed | the ramshackle shed by the sea |

31 Accept answers that use either names or pronouns. Give half a mark for each required pronoun and verb pair that need to be changed (underlined below).

Sample answer: He doesn't find it difficult to make new friends, although he does get nervous meeting new people.

32 Give half a mark for a correct semicolon and half a mark for the comma.

I love history and PE; my best friend prefers science, English and French.

33 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

- a Nic should have been playing soccer in the same team as Tim.
- b When she was in primary school Micki used to be interested in sports journalism.

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

My mum's car needs tuning so badly you can hear it coming from the end of the street.

35 Give half a mark for each correct use of conjunction and/or punctuation. There are many possible answers; give credit for any reasonable correct response. Sample answer:

Abbey studies complex geometry; however, Xander is more interested in history.

36 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

- a In the five minutes before the bell went for recess, I managed to finish all my work.
- b Cancelling the match wasn't an option for Danni, even during the downpour.

37

| Sentence | Compound sentence | Complex sentence |
|--|-------------------|------------------|
| Carrie, who had been in France for a year, came home early and surprised us. | | ✓ |
| The canteen ran out of pies so we all had to eat sausage rolls instead. | ✓ | |

38 Give half a mark for the commas and half a mark for the semicolon.

At the barbecue we served a range of sausages, including pork, lamb and beef; we also had chicken wings and lentil burgers with hummus.

39 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

- a Mack was the (heir) to an enormous fortune, but he really enjoyed his career as a (martial) arts instructor.
- b Iris knew that the (cereal) trail on the kitchen floor (led) to where her brother was hiding.

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

When I (want to go shopping) by myself I (have to travel) by bus.

Short-answer Test 5

1 Give half a mark for two correct labels.

While on safari in Kenya the excitement mounted as we came closer to the pride of lions near the waterhole.

2 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

- a If she can, she will attempt that challenge; if possible, you should support her.
- b Come round tomorrow; I will have the money ready for you.

3 I decided to go to the library, even though (Mum told me not to), so I could study for the maths test.

4 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

| Adverb | Adverb of manner | Adverb of time | Adverb of place | Adverb of frequency |
|-----------|------------------|----------------|-----------------|---------------------|
| usually | | | | ✓ |
| yesterday | | ✓ | | |

5 Give half a mark for each correct pronoun.

As the footballers boarded the bus, our teacher, Mr Walsh, told them to put their boots in the racks. He advised them to rest and prepare mentally for the match ahead.

6 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

I was so excited to be a special (guest) at the presentation night that I bought a new pair of shoes to (complement) my dress.

7 Give half a mark for each correct answer.

| Explanation | True | False |
|--|------|-------|
| The word <u>liaison</u> means contact or connection. | ✓ | |
| To <u>flounder</u> is to travel quickly through water. | | ✓ |

8 There are many possible answers; give credit for any reasonable response with correct use of conjunction and punctuation. Sample answer:

The cast list was posted on the noticeboard but I didn't get a role.

9 a to apologise

b to frighten

10 Give half a mark for each of the two required semicolons.

Kit contributed to his tennis team's success by bringing oranges, apples and nuts to games; calling everyone before a match to make sure they had their uniform, racquet and water bottles ready; and supporting his team-mates.

11 Give half a mark for each pair of correct synonyms.

exceptional — extraordinary
 painstaking — careful
 colossal — gigantic
 infuse — soak

12 There are many possible answers; give half a mark for each correct response. Sample answer:

| Word | Antonym |
|-----------|---------|
| difficult | easy |
| near | far |