



English 1 (*Home Language*) – Grade 5

Welcome to your Conquesta Olympiad. When you have decided which of the answers is correct, scratch out the letter in the matching square on your answer sheet. Example:- If the answer to question 4 is c, then scratch out the letter c in the square containing c next to the number 4 (*see example 1 below*). If you've made a mistake and b should have been the answer, neatly cross out the mistake and then scratch out b (*see example 2 below*).

Example 1:-

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Example 2:-

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Read about the first hot air balloon for questions 1 – 10.



Man has always wanted to fly. The first real attempt at flying took place in **France** 1783. The two Montgolfier brothers knew that hot air rises. They thought that if they could fill a large balloon with hot air, it would rise into the air and fly! They made a very large hot air balloon of **cloth** and paper. It measured 10 metres in diameter. They filled it with hot air from a fire made of **wood** and straw. It rose 200 metres into the air and fell to earth 3 km away.

1. **The first real attempt to fly a hot air balloon took place in**
(a) 1973. (b) 1783. (c) 1983. (d) 1773.
2. **The two brothers were from**
(a) Finland. (b) Germany. (c) Italy. (d) France.
3. **They made a large hot air balloon out of**
(a) wood and straw. (b) wood and paper.
(c) cloth and paper. (d) cloth and straw.
4. **They filled it with hot air from a fire made of ..**
(a) wood and straw. (b) wood and paper.
(c) paper and straw. (d) cardboard and paper.
5. **How far did they fly?**
(a) 3 km. (b) 5 km.
(c) 6 km. (d) 200 m.



Verbs tell us what happens in a sentence.

For each underlined verb at questions 6 – 9, find one of opposite meaning at (a) – (d).

- (a) To empty (b) To fall (c) To dawdle (d) To vanish

6. To rise
7. To fill
8. To hurry
9. To appear



10. **Which verb means to go up?**
(a) Ascend.
(b) Retain.
(c) Persist.
(d) Reveal.

Now read about the Wright brothers and answer questions 11 – 20.

Orville and Wilbur Wright were two American brothers, credited with flying the world’s first successful airplane on December 17, 1903.

Their powered airplane had a propeller and a light, but powerful engine. They were the first people that flew a powered airplane that they could control.

The two brothers continued to make changes to their design and had a very good plane by 1905.



11. The Wright brothers were from

- (a) Africa. (b) Asia.
- (c) America. (d) Australia.

12. Their first successful flight was in

- (a) 1913. (b) 1903. (c) 1905. (d) 1930.

13. Select the best possible word to use instead of the bold underlined words in the following sentence.

‘The two brothers continued to **make changes** to their design.’

- (a) instead (b) improve
- (c) induct (d) introduce

14. They flew a

- (a) glider. (b) helicopter.
- (c) hot air balloon. (d) powered airplane.

15. They were always working on improving it and had a better plane by

- (a) 1904. (b) 1905.
- (c) 1906. (d) 1903.



Match the words at (a) – (d) in the following sentence, to questions 16 – 19.

‘The **powered** airplane (b) **had** a (c) **propeller** (d) **and** a light, but powerful engine.’



16. Which word is a **conjunction**?

17. Which word is an **adjective**?

18. Which word is a **noun**?

19. Which word is a **verb**?

20. The sentence is in the

- (a) present tense. (b) past tense.
- (c) future tense. (d) None of the above.



Flight attendants on airliners, are people **whose** job it is to look after the passengers. They are kept very busy indeed. They have to show passengers how to fasten their safety belts when the plane takes off, and have to explain the safety regulations.

They also have many other duties. They tend to the passengers by serving drinks, and on long flights, their meals.

If passengers have any queries, the attendants make themselves available to assist.



21. Who tends to the passengers’ needs?

- (a) A manager. (b) The captain. (c) A waiter. (d) A flight attendant.

22. In the first sentence, what is the function of the bold printed word? It is a/an

- (a) adjective. (b) adverb. (c) preposition. (d) pronoun.

23. What regulations must flight attendants explain to passengers?

- (a) Food regulations. (b) Safety regulations.
- (c) Sleeping regulations. (d) Preparing for take-off.

