# Year 5 English: Putting sentences and steps in order (Easy)

English · Reading and vocabulary
Level: Easy

Student: _____ Date: _____

**Instructions**
- There are 8 questions. Read each one carefully.
- Write your answers on this paper. Use the space under a question to work it out.
- A grown-up can read a question aloud — that's fine.
- The answers are at the end. Check them together when you have finished.

## Questions

**1.** Put the sentences in the order they happened.

Number the events 1 to 4. Write 1 in the box of what happened first.

- ☐ **A** Then it curled up on the grass and slept through the heat of the day.
- ☐ **B** At dusk, it crawled out to look for food.
- ☐ **C** Next, it carried dry grass down into the burrow.
- ☐ **D** First, the wombat dug a long tunnel under the roots.

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**2.** Put the sentences in the order they happened.

Number the events 1 to 4. Write 1 in the box of what happened first.

- ☐ **A** Next, he planted two rows of bean seeds.
- ☐ **B** First, Ravi dug over the soil with a spade.
- ☐ **C** Last, he picked the ripe beans for dinner.
- ☐ **D** Then he watered them every morning.

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**3.** This account is meant to be in the order things happened, but one sentence is in the wrong place. 1. First, Gran chopped carrots and pumpkin. 2. Last, she ladled it into warm bowls. 3. Next, she simmered them in stock. 4. Then she blended the soup until smooth. Which one?

Circle one answer.

- ○ **A** Next, she simmered them in stock.
- ○ **B** First, Gran chopped carrots and pumpkin.
- ○ **C** Last, she ladled it into warm bowls.

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**4.** This account is meant to be in the order things happened, but one sentence is in the wrong place. 1. First, Tom waxed his surfboard on the sand. 2. Last, he rode it all the way to the beach. 3. Next, he paddled out past the small waves. 4. Then he caught a wave and stood up. Which one?

Circle one answer.

○ **A** Then he caught a wave and stood up.

○ **B** Last, he rode it all the way to the beach.

○ **C** First, Tom waxed his surfboard on the sand.

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**5.** Put the sentences in the order they happened.

Number the events 1 to 4. Write 1 in the box of what happened first.

▢ **A** First, the platypus slid into the creek.

▢ **B** After that, it floated up to eat at the surface.

▢ **C** Then it dived and hunted for yabbies.

▢ **D** Last, it swam back to its burrow in the bank.

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**6.** Put the sentences in the order they happened.

Number the events 1 to 4. Write 1 in the box of what happened first.

▢ **A** Next, she took it to the front desk.

▢ **B** Last, Zoe read the first chapter on the bus.

▢ **C** First, Zoe chose a book about reefs.

▢ **D** Then the librarian scanned her card.

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**7.** This account is meant to be in the order things happened, but one sentence is in the wrong place. 1. Then the doors hissed open. 2. After that, the children climbed down. 3. First, the bus stopped outside the library. 4. Last, the bus rolled away. Which one?

Circle one answer.

○ **A** Last, the bus rolled away.

○ **B** First, the bus stopped outside the library.

○ **C** Then the doors hissed open.

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**8.** Put the sentences in the order they happened.

Number the events 1 to 4. Write 1 in the box of what happened first.

- ▢ **A** Then the ropes were lifted from the wharf.
- ▢ **B** After that, the ferry slid out onto the water.
- ▢ **C** First, the ferry blew its horn.
- ▢ **D** Last, the wharf grew small behind it.

# Answer key

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**1.** 1 D (First, the wombat dug a long tunnel under the roots.); 2 C (Next, it carried dry grass down into the burrow.); 3 A (Then it curled up on the grass and slept through the heat of the day.); 4 B (At dusk, it crawled out to look for food.)

In order: 1. First, the wombat dug a long tunnel under the roots. 2. Next, it carried dry grass down into the burrow. 3. Then it curled up on the grass and slept through the heat of the day. 4. At dusk, it crawled out to look for food.

**2.** 1 B (First, Ravi dug over the soil with a spade.); 2 A (Next, he planted two rows of bean seeds.); 3 D (Then he watered them every morning.); 4 C (Last, he picked the ripe beans for dinner.)

In order: 1. First, Ravi dug over the soil with a spade. 2. Next, he planted two rows of bean seeds. 3. Then he watered them every morning. 4. Last, he picked the ripe beans for dinner.

**3.** C — Last, she ladled it into warm bowls.

“Last, she ladled it into warm bowls.” belongs at the end, because “Last” means after everything else. The right order is: 1. First, Gran chopped carrots and pumpkin. 2. Next, she simmered them in stock. 3. Then she blended the soup until smooth. 4. Last, she ladled it into warm bowls.

**4.** B — Last, he rode it all the way to the beach.

“Last, he rode it all the way to the beach.” belongs after “Then he caught a wave and stood up.”. The right order is: 1. First, Tom waxed his surfboard on the sand. 2. Next, he paddled out past the small waves. 3. Then he caught a wave and stood up. 4. Last, he rode it all the way to the beach.

**5.** 1 A (First, the platypus slid into the creek.); 2 C (Then it dived and hunted for yabbies.); 3 B (After that, it floated up to eat at the surface.); 4 D (Last, it swam back to its burrow in the bank.)

In order: 1. First, the platypus slid into the creek. 2. Then it dived and hunted for yabbies. 3. After that, it floated up to eat at the surface. 4. Last, it swam back to its burrow in the bank.

**6.** 1 C (First, Zoe chose a book about reefs.); 2 A (Next, she took it to the front desk.); 3 D (Then the librarian scanned her card.); 4 B (Last, Zoe read the first chapter on the bus.)

In order: 1. First, Zoe chose a book about reefs. 2. Next, she took it to the front desk. 3. Then the librarian scanned her card. 4. Last, Zoe read the first chapter on the bus.

**7.** B — First, the bus stopped outside the library.

“First, the bus stopped outside the library.” belongs at the start, before everything else. The right order is: 1. First, the bus stopped outside the library. 2. Then the doors hissed open. 3. After that, the children climbed down. 4. Last, the bus rolled away.

**8.** 1 C (First, the ferry blew its horn.); 2 A (Then the ropes were lifted from the wharf.); 3 B (After that, the ferry slid out onto the water.); 4 D (Last, the wharf grew small behind it.)

In order: 1. First, the ferry blew its horn. 2. Then the ropes were lifted from the wharf. 3. After that, the ferry slid out onto the water. 4. Last, the wharf grew small behind it.