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

English · Reading and vocabulary
Level: Medium

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 steps in the right order.

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

- ▢ **A** Once the sheet is flat, thread the poles through the tent.
- ▢ **B** To begin, find a flat spot clear of rocks.
- ▢ **C** Next, lay the groundsheet down.
- ▢ **D** Finally, peg the corners into the ground.

**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** Once the root has grown, a shoot grows up towards the light.
- ▢ **B** Soon after, a root pushes down.
- ▢ **C** Once a seed lands in damp soil, it soaks up water.
- ▢ **D** In the end, leaves open and the seedling can make its own food.

**3.** This account is meant to be in the order things happened, but one sentence is in the wrong place. 1. At first, the Year 5 class was nervous about camp. 2. A little later, they unpacked in the cabins. 3. By the end of the week, everyone had made new friends. 4. Soon after, the bus rolled up the mountain road. Which one?

Circle one answer.

- ○ **A** At first, the Year 5 class was nervous about camp.
- ○ **B** Soon after, the bus rolled up the mountain road.
- ○ **C** A little later, they unpacked in the cabins.

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

Number the events 1 to 5. Write 1 in the box of what happened first.

- ▢ **A** By Monday, the kitten had a name and a basket.
- ▢ **B** That afternoon, he took it to the vet.
- ▢ **C** A week later, the whole family agreed to keep it.
- ▢ **D** The next day, the vet phoned to say the kitten was healthy.
- ▢ **E** On Saturday morning, Jin found a stray kitten near the shops.

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**5.** Put the steps in the right order.

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

- ▢ **A** Next, drain them, tip them into a big pot and cover them with fresh water.
- ▢ **B** Finally, stir in the herbs just before serving.
- ▢ **C** To begin, soak the dried beans overnight.
- ▢ **D** Once the water boils, turn the heat down low.

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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** At dawn, the ferry left Circular Quay for the first time that day.
- ▢ **B** Around lunch, it docked at the Taronga wharf.
- ▢ **C** By mid-morning, it was crowded with tourists.
- ▢ **D** After sunset, it made its last trip home.

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**7.** Put the steps in the right order.

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

- ▢ **A** Begin by wiping the table with a damp cloth.
- ▢ **B** Then lay down sheets of old newspaper.
- ▢ **C** Lastly, press your hands onto the paper to print.
- ▢ **D** Once the paper is down, squeeze paint onto a plate.

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**8.** Put the steps in the right order.

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

- ▢ **A** Next, tip it into a pot with twice as much water.
- ▢ **B** Once the water boils, put the lid on and turn the heat low.
- ▢ **C** Finally, leave it to stand for ten minutes before serving.
- ▢ **D** To begin, rinse the rice in a sieve.

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# Answer key

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**1.** 1 B (To begin, find a flat spot clear of rocks.); 2 C (Next, lay the groundsheet down.); 3 A (Once the sheet is flat, thread the poles through the tent.); 4 D (Finally, peg the corners into the ground.)

In order: 1. To begin, find a flat spot clear of rocks. 2. Next, lay the groundsheet down. 3. Once the sheet is flat, thread the poles through the tent. 4. Finally, peg the corners into the ground.

**2.** 1 C (Once a seed lands in damp soil, it soaks up water.); 2 B (Soon after, a root pushes down.); 3 A (Once the root has grown, a shoot grows up towards the light.); 4 D (In the end, leaves open and the seedling can make its own food.)

In order: 1. Once a seed lands in damp soil, it soaks up water. 2. Soon after, a root pushes down. 3. Once the root has grown, a shoot grows up towards the light. 4. In the end, leaves open and the seedling can make its own food.

**3.** B — Soon after, the bus rolled up the mountain road.

“Soon after, the bus rolled up the mountain road.” belongs after “At first, the Year 5 class was nervous about camp.”. The right order is: 1. At first, the Year 5 class was nervous about camp. 2. Soon after, the bus rolled up the mountain road. 3. A little later, they unpacked in the cabins. 4. By the end of the week, everyone had made new friends.

**4.** 1 E (On Saturday morning, Jin found a stray kitten near the shops.); 2 B (That afternoon, he took it to the vet.); 3 D (The next day, the vet phoned to say the kitten was healthy.); 4 A (By Monday, the kitten had a name and a basket.); 5 C (A week later, the whole family agreed to keep it.)

In order: 1. On Saturday morning, Jin found a stray kitten near the shops. 2. That afternoon, he took it to the vet. 3. The next day, the vet phoned to say the kitten was healthy. 4. By Monday, the kitten had a name and a basket. 5. A week later, the whole family agreed to keep it.

**5.** 1 C (To begin, soak the dried beans overnight.); 2 A (Next, drain them, tip them into a big pot and cover them with fresh water.); 3 D (Once the water boils, turn the heat down low.); 4 B (Finally, stir in the herbs just before serving.)

In order: 1. To begin, soak the dried beans overnight. 2. Next, drain them, tip them into a big pot and cover them with fresh water. 3. Once the water boils, turn the heat down low. 4. Finally, stir in the herbs just before serving.

**6.** 1 A (At dawn, the ferry left Circular Quay for the first time that day.); 2 C (By mid-morning, it was crowded with tourists.); 3 B (Around lunch, it docked at the Taronga wharf.); 4 D (After sunset, it made its last trip home.)

In order: 1. At dawn, the ferry left Circular Quay for the first time that day. 2. By mid-morning, it was crowded with tourists. 3. Around lunch, it docked at the Taronga wharf. 4. After sunset, it made its last trip home.

**7.** 1 A (Begin by wiping the table with a damp cloth.); 2 B (Then lay down sheets of old newspaper.); 3 D (Once the paper is down, squeeze paint onto a plate.); 4 C (Lastly, press your hands onto the paper to print.)

In order: 1. Begin by wiping the table with a damp cloth. 2. Then lay down sheets of old newspaper. 3. Once the paper is down, squeeze paint onto a plate. 4. Lastly, press your hands onto the paper to print.

**8.** 1 D (To begin, rinse the rice in a sieve.); 2 A (Next, tip it into a pot with twice as much water.); 3 B (Once the water boils, put the lid on and turn the heat low.); 4 C (Finally, leave it to stand for ten minutes before serving.)

In order: 1. To begin, rinse the rice in a sieve. 2. Next, tip it into a pot with twice as much water. 3. Once the water boils, put the lid on and turn the heat low. 4. Finally, leave it to stand for ten minutes before serving.