

# Grammar Hammer

1. Underline the prefix which means 'under'.			2. Underline the suffix which, when added, forms the present tense of the verb.		
sub	inter	anti	play	er	ing
3. Underline the correct homophone to use in this sentence.			4. Underline the correct homophone to use in this sentence.		
I ( mite / might ) not be home for tea.			She put the ( dye / die ) on her hair.		
5. Underline the word with the correct spelling.			6. Underline the word with the correct spelling.		
hideus	hideos	hideous	conclusion	conclushun	conclution
7-8. Number these words to show their alphabetical order.					
drink		drown		drain	
					dream

9. Underline the words which have a similar meaning to the word in bold (synonyms).				
<b>shout</b>	cross	yell	holler	bellow
10. Underline the adverb in the sentence below.		11. Circle the noun phrase in the sentence below.		
Slowly, the old, frail man sat down.				



12-13. Underline two connectives that can be used to compare and contrast.				
tragically	despite	afterwards	eventually	yet
14-15. Underline the proper nouns or pronouns in this sentence to avoid repetition.				
As ( he / James ) turned over the pages of the book, it began to dawn on ( James / him ) that ( he / James ) had heard this story before.				
16-17. Underline two fronted adverbials that might help signal cause and effect.				
Inevitably,	Secondly,	Therefore,	Last year,	
18. Underline the correct word to complete the sentence.		19. Underline the correct word to complete the sentence.		
You could ( have / of ) gone on the bus.		I have ( eaten / ate ) all my apple.		

20-21. Underline the fronted adverbial. Punctuate this sentence using commas.	
Later that day Sammy went to visit her friend in hospital.	
22-23. Punctuate the sentences using the apostrophe ( ' ) to show singular or plural possession.	
The c a r s engine roared.	The c a r s engines roared.
24-25. Punctuate these sentences using inverted commas ( " " ), commas ( , ) and any other punctuation needed.	
I like your car smiled Danny	Thanks said Mark it's new

# Grammar Hammer - answers

1. (W4:1, Sp 4:1) Prefixes can be added to root words to change their meaning ( ie appear-disappear)			2. (W4:1, Sp 4:18) Suffixes can be added to verbs to form a noun (ie count – counter) and to change the tense ( ie walk-walked-walking)				
<u>sub</u>	<u>inter</u>	<u>anti</u>	<u>play</u>	<u>er</u>	<u>ing</u>		
3-4. (W4:2, Sp 4:20) Homophones are words that sound the same but have different meanings and different spellings.							
I ( mite / <u>might</u> ) not be home for tea.			She put the ( <u>dye</u> / die ) on her hair.				
5. (W4:1,3, Sp 4:8) If there is a long 'ee' sound before the suffix 'ous' it is usually spelt with an 'i' (serious, obvious)			6. (W4:1,3, Sp 4:10) Many 'sion' words are formed from verbs which end 'd' or 'de' ( divide-division, conclude-conclusion)				
<u>hideus</u>	<u>hideos</u>	<u>hideous</u>	<u>conclusion</u>	<u>conclushun</u>	<u>conclution</u>		
7-8. (W4:4) To put in alphabetical order you may need to use the first, second or third letter of the word.							
<u>drink</u>	3	<u>drown</u>	4	<u>drain</u>	1	<u>dream</u>	2

9. (W4:9, 14) Learning synonyms for simple words helps build a varied vocabulary to make your writing far more interesting.				
<u>shout</u>	<u>cross</u>	<u>yell</u>	<u>holler</u>	<u>bellow</u>
10-11. (W4:17, 19) An adverb is used to give information about a verb. It often ends in 'ly' (carefully, cautiously). A noun phrase is a phrase with a noun as its head word. A noun with any sort of modifier is a noun phrase (the dog, the old house on the hill).				
<u>Slowly</u> , the old, frail man sat down.				

12-13. (W4:17) <i>A wider range of connectives is essential in order to vary sentence structure for effect and make your writing far more interesting.</i>				
<i>tragically</i>	<i><u>despite</u></i>	<i>afterwards</i>	<i>eventually</i>	<i><u>yet</u></i>
14-15. (W4:18) <i>Pronouns stand for or refer to nouns that have already been mentioned thereby avoiding repetition in writing.</i>				
<i>As ( he / <u>James</u> ) turned over the pages of the book, it began to dawn on ( James / <u>him</u> ) that ( <u>he</u> / James ) had heard this story before.</i>				
16-17. (W4:19) <i>Fronted adverbials are adverbs (words, phrases or clauses) that start a sentence and describe the verb in the sentence. They tell us more about when, how or where the action happened. They help structure texts, linking sentences and events between paragraphs.</i>				
<i><u>Inevitably,</u></i>	<i>Secondly,</i>	<i><u>Therefore,</u></i>	<i>Last year,</i>	
18-19. (W4:14,20) <i>Past progressive form (was/were + verb + 'ing') Present perfect form ( have/has + the past participle of the verb) Perfect modal form ( modal verb + have + past participle of the verb) NB modal verbs are a Stage 5 expectation.</i>				
<i>You could ( <u>have</u> / of ) gone on the bus.</i>		<i>I have ( <u>eaten</u> / ate ) all my apple.</i>		

20-21. (W4:17, 21) A comma is used after a fronted adverbial. It is also used to separate items in a list. It is not used before the last item which has 'and' in front of it. It tells the reader to pause, but not for as long as a full stop.	
<u>Later that day</u> , Sammy went to visit her friend in hospital.	
22-23. (W4:22, Sp 4:15, 4:16) Apostrophes mark possession. To show possession with a singular noun, add an apostrophe before the letter s (e.g. the girl's name). To show plural possession with regular nouns add an apostrophe after the letter s (e.g. those girls' names).	
The car's engine roared.	The cars' engines roared.
24-25. (W4:23) Inverted commas (speech marks " ") are used to show the actual words spoken by a character. They are used at the beginning and end of the actual words spoken. Note the position of the question mark and comma.	
"I like your car," smiled Danny.	"Thanks," said Mark. "It's new."