

Give Your Grammar a Workout

Amazing Fact

This sentence is grammatically correct:

'All the faith he had had, had had no effect on the outcome of his life.'

Challenge

Give your own grammar a workout by answering the following questions:

1. Fill in the missing words. Choose from: verb, noun or adjective.
 - a. An _____ is a describing word. It tells us more about a noun.
 - b. A _____ is a naming word. It can be the name of a person, place or thing.
 - c. A _____ is a doing word. Every sentence must have one of these.
2. Circle the correct noun from the brackets () to make the sentences make sense.
 - a. A (sheep/teacher) works in a school.
 - b. The large (horse/dolphin) stood in the field.
 - c. The full (moon/leaves) shone brightly in the night sky.
 - d. The (bus/river) has risen a great deal after the rain.
3. Underline the nouns in green, the adjectives in blue and verbs in red.
 - a. The hamster ran quickly inside the transparent ball.
 - b. Cows and horses eat green grass.
 - c. The girl carried her heavy bag to school.
 - d. I drank a cup of hot milk.

4. Fill each gap with a suitable adjective.

- a. A _____ butterfly
- b. A _____ child
- c. A _____ sunrise
- d. A _____ moment
- e. A _____ dog

5. Circle the correct words that fit in the sentences.

- a. The boy didn't (know/no) (which/witch) shoes to (where/wear) to the park.
- b. A (hair/hare) is very similar to a rabbit.
- c. The boys laughed when Gail (ate/eight) a fly.

6. Think of three synonyms for these words.

- a. huge _____
- b. walk _____
- c. cry _____
- d. laugh _____

You could also try to find out:

- what other strange sentences are possible in English;
- which sentences use every letter in the English language;
- how sentences are structured differently in other languages.

Give Your Grammar a Workout Answers

1.
 - a. adjective
 - b. noun.
 - c. verb
2.
 - a. teacher
 - b. horse
 - c. moon
 - d. river
3.
 - a. Noun: hamster, ball / Adjective: transparent / Verb: ran, was
 - b. Noun: cows, horses, grass / Adjective: green / Verb: eat
 - c. Noun: girl, bag, school / Adjective: heavy / Verb: carried
 - d. Noun: cup, milk / Adjective: hot / Verb: drank
4. **An example such as:**
 - a. beautiful
 - b. young
 - c. spectacular
 - d. precious
 - e. little
5.
 - a. know /which /wear
 - b. hare
 - c. ate
6. **Examples such as:**
 - a. huge – massive, enormous, gigantic
 - b. walk- swagger, shuffle, trudge
 - c. cry – sob, weep, wail
 - d. laugh - giggle, chuckle, cackle