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3rd Level Grammar Cards Answer Key

Types of Sentences

Card 1

1. The fish swam skillfully in the water.
2. I went to camp last summer.
3. I know there is gold in sea water.
4. Elise walks the dog every night.
5. Make a wish and blow out the candles.
6. The fire engine rushed through the traffic light.
7. Marta the explorer travels the globe.
8. During the winter months we stayed inside to keep warm.

Card 2 Answers will vary.

Card 3 Answers will vary.

Card 4 Answers will vary.

Card 5 Answers will vary.

Card 6 Answers will vary.

Card 7 Answers will vary.

Card 8

1. It was a beautiful day. There was not a cloud in the sky.
2. Sam went to the park. The dog stayed home.
3. I don't swim well. I have weak arms.
4. Bella takes the bus to school. Sam walks instead.
5. Megan loves traveling to Mexico. She finds it exciting.

Note: These sentences might be written as compound sentences

Card 9 Answers will vary.

Card 10 Answers will vary.

Nouns

Card 1

1. The runner ran her first marathon and finished in 4 hours and 37 minutes.
2. The dog ran into the street to fetch the ball for his owner.
3. The source of a river begins in the mountains and flows to the ocean.
4. An owl will sleep during the day and hunt its prey at night.
5. The campground was littered with rocks and stones.
6. A snake that constricts is not poisonous but this reptile is deadly!
7. Riding a bike requires balance and skill.
8. How many days does it take the earth to travel around the sun?

Card 2

One of the most beautiful cities in Europe is Paris, located on the River Seine in France. This city is the center for fashion, food, art, and culture, and for this reason is often a destination for tourists. The Eiffel Tower started in 1887 is regularly at the top of any visitor's list. It took almost two years to build and was designed as the entrance to the 1889 World's Fair. From the top of this steel tower the beauty of this romantic city can be viewed.

Nouns cont.

Card 3

uncle/aunt
actor/actress
boar/sow

Joseph/Josephine
Eric/Erica
Dorothy/Theodore
Patricia/Patrick

Card 4

Group 1 - most singular nouns are made plural by adding an "s" to the singular noun

Group 2 - if the noun ends in "x", "z", "ch", "sh" or "ss," add an "es" to make the plural form

Group 3 - if the noun ends in "y," preceded by a consonant, change the "y" to "i" and add "es"

Card 5

possible examples of irregular plurals may be

child children
man men
deer deer
mouse mice
foot feet
ox oxen
tooth teeth

Card 6 Non-count nouns

furniture, homework, laughter, luggage, money, sugar, time, water, weather

Card 7 Answers will vary.

Card 8 Possible sentence variety

1. At the back door, the wet cat pitifully cried. Crying pitifully, the wet cat meowed at the back door.
2. Hot billowing smoke was blown at the petrified knight by the shimmering dragon. The petrified knight stood as the shimmering dragon blew hot billowing smoke.
3. Trudging off the muddy field, the young soccer player was forlorn. The field was muddy as the forlorn soccer player trudged off toward home.
4. The jewel-encrusted scepter was carried regally by the newly crowned Queen. Regally, the newly crowned Queen carried the jewel-encrusted scepter.
5. Taking a deep breath, I slowly inhaled the smell of the crisp autumn air. I slowly inhaled the smell of the crisp, autumn air as I breathed.

Articles

Card 1

Paul Bunyan is **a** tall tale about **a** logger who helped to form **the** landscape of **the** United States. He could clear **a** forest by swinging his ax around in **a** circle. Paul's constant companion was Babe, **the** Blue Ox. **The** men in **the** logging camp would hang their laundry out to dry on Babe's horns. It is said that Paul carved out **the** Grand Canyon when he dragged **an** ax behind him.

Card 2

The owl has been **a** part of mythology since **the** time of **the** Ancient Greeks. Athena, **the** Goddess of Wisdom, was so impressed with **the** large eyes and quiet appearance of **the** bird that she honored **the** owl by making it one of her favorites. As **a** symbol of Athena, **the** owl was seen as **a** protector for armies going into battle. If **an** owl flew over **an** army before battle, **the** soldiers took this as **a** sign of future victory.

Card 3 Answers will vary.

Card 4

the Rocky Mountains, the Amazon River, the Sahara Desert, the Nile River, the Himalayas, the Indian Ocean

Adjectives

Card 1

High above the city, on a **tall** column, stood the statue of the **Happy** Prince. He was gilded all over with **thin** leaves of **fine** gold, for eyes he had **two bright** sapphires, and a **large red** ruby glowed on his sword-hilt.

Card 2

1. a Turkish vacation
2. a new Radcliffe film
3. an Atlantic island
4. a Timberlake song
5. a Van Gogh painting
6. the Amazon forest
7. the Justice League team
8. an Alaskan husky

Card 3 Answers will vary.

Card 7 Answers will vary.

Card 4 Answers will vary.

Card 8 Answers will vary.

Card 5 Answers will vary.

Card 9 Answers will vary.

Card 6 Answers will vary.

Card 10 Answers will vary.

Verbs

Card 1 Sample answer

When I **crawled** into the cave, I **peered at** the sparkling, wet walls. The air **seemed** chilled, with a slight smell of mustiness. As I **glanced** down, I **noticed** the pathway **littered with** small patches of blue and green. Far away I **heard** the sound of water **dripping** down into the cave. I **rubbed** the wet wall; it **was** cool and slick. I **pondered**, "what **stood** in the back of the cave?"

Card 2 Answers will vary.

Card 3 Sample answer

Santa Claus lives in the Laughing Valley, where stands the big, rambling castle in which his toys are manufactured. His workmen, selected from the ryls, knooks, pixies and fairies, live with him, and every one is as busy as can be from one year's end to another.

Verbs cont.

Card 4

Questions	Answers	Sentence Elements
What is the verb?	will be walking	predicate
Who is it that?	Anna and Sofia	subject
What?	the puppies	direct object

Card 5 Answers will vary. Card 6 Answers will vary.

Card 7

Yesterday, I **bought** a new bike. I was **proud** of it, but when I **began** to ride it I **thought** that I may **have made** a mistake. I **rode** it carefully, keeping my eye on the traffic, when all of a sudden my pants leg **caught** in the gears! I **lost** control, **hit** the curb, and **fell** off the seat. I **got** up and checked the damage; my knee was scraped, but the bike seemed to be unscratched. Courageously, I **threw** my leg over the seat and **got** back on. I **thought** to myself, "So much for my new bike!"

Card 8 Answers will vary. Card 9 Answers will vary. Card 10 Answers will vary.

Prepositions

Card 1 Possible moral: Prepare for tomorrow, today.

Preposition	Noun	Noun
in	Grasshopper	field
to	corn	nest
for	food	winter
from	corn and grain	stores

Card 2

In the second story, Through the Looking-Glass, and What Alice Found There, Alice wonders what could be behind the mirror on the mantle. When she pushes on the mirror she discovers an opposite world on the other side. She meets the Red Queen who tells Alice that the whole countryside is laid out like a chessboard. The Red Queen agrees to make Alice a queen if she can get to the eighth row; and so Alice begins her adventure to become queen.

Card 3 Answers will vary.

Card 5

Card 4 Answers will vary.

Adjective phrase	Noun
in ancient Athens	craftsman
under the care	son
on the beach	bone
out of metal	it

Prepositions cont.

Card 6

Daedalus, a very talented craftsman, was exiled to the island of Crete. There Daedalus, the master craftsman, built a labyrinth for King Minos. This labyrinth was built near the palace at Knossos. The purpose was to imprison the Minotaur, a half-man, half-bull creature. Using a ball of string provided to him by Daedalus, an enemy of King Minos was able to escape the labyrinth and the Minotaur. As punishment, Daedalus was imprisoned in a tall tower.

Card 7

Daedalus was imprisoned in a tower in order to keep his knowledge of the labyrinth a secret. King Minos controlled the land and sea routes that might be used for escape, so Daedalus created wings in order to fly from the tower to freedom. He and his son Icarus worked together to make the wings out of feathers, string, and wax.

Card 8

As Daedalus and Icarus prepared to fly **from** the tower, Daedalus warned Icarus not to fly too high because the sun's heat would melt the wax **on** his wings. He also warned Icarus not to fly too low, as the ocean's water would wet his feathers, making them too heavy to fly. In spite of these warnings, as the two of them flew **to** freedom, Icarus forgot himself and flew higher and higher. The sun melted his wings, and Icarus fell **to** the sea and drowned.

Adverbs

Card 1

1. Jack **climbed carefully** and **stealthily** up the beanstalk.
2. **Looking closely** at his surroundings, Jack decided to enter the giant's castle.
3. He **hastily grabbed** the Golden Goose and **ran determinedly** back to the beanstalk.
4. When he **quickly looked** behind him at the thundering giant he thought, "I'm in for it **now!**"

Card 2 Answers will vary.

Card 3 Answers will vary.

Card 4 Answers will vary.

Card 5 Answers will vary.

Card 6 Answers will vary.

Card 7 Answers will vary.

Card 8 Answers will vary.

Pronouns

Card 1 Answers will vary.

Card 2 Possible Answers

1. I saw a dog and his owner in the library; the dog was scratching his ear with his foot.
2. The patient was at death's door, but the doctor pulled him through.
3. The candy dish was empty, but we were tired of eating candy anyway.
4. Although Ms. Hughes was wealthy, she made poor use of her money.
5. They bought a puppy for my sister they call Spot.
6. For sale: An antique desk with thick legs and large drawers, suitable for a lady.

Card 3 Answers will vary.

Card 6 Answers will vary.

Card 4 Answers will vary.

Card 7 Answers will vary.

Card 5 Answers will vary.

Card 8 Answers will vary.

Conjunctions

Card 1 Answers will vary.

Card 3 Answers will vary.

Card 2 Answers will vary.

Card 4 Answers will vary.

Interjections

Card 1 Answers will vary.

Card 3 Answers will vary.

Card 2 Answers will vary.

Card 4 Answers will vary.

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