1. PET Writing Transformations Exercises

COMPLETE THE SENCOND SENTENCE USING ONE, TWO OR THREE WORDS ONLY.

Passive to active and active to passive transformations (These constitute around 10% of transformations).

1 Their father was given his first pony by his grandmother.
Their father's grandmother ..... his first pony.

2 At our school the students are lent the text books by the school.
Our school ..... the text books to the students.

3 A free documentary film is included in the exhibition.
The exhibition ..... a free documentary film.

4 Seat belts must be worn by all passengers.
All passengers ..... seat belts.

5 Sarah's friends gave her a smart phone for her leaving present.
Sarah ..... given a smart phone for her leaving present by her friends.

Comparatives, as... as, the same as & prefer transformations (These constitute nearly one per exam).

6 Sarah's smartphone is very similar to her father's smartphone.
Sarah's smart phone is nearly the same ..... her father's smartphone.

7 A smartphone is Sarah's favourite possession.
Sarah likes her smartphone more .....any of her other possessions.

8 Gmail accounts are generally better than other email services.
Other email services are generally not as ..... gmail accounts.

9 The Italian restaurant is cheaper than the Greek restaurant.
The Italian restaurant costs ..... than the Greek restaurant.

10 He prefers playing soccer to playing rugby.
He likes playing soccer ..... playing rugby.

11 No other cathedral is as old as Chartre in France.
Chartre is ..... any other cathedral in France.

12 I like working with other people more than on my own.
I ..... working with other people to working on my own.

13 She found Arabic easier to learn than she had expected.
It wasn't ..... to learn Arabic as she had expected.

14 Skiing is not as dangerous as kitesurfing.
Skiing is ..... dangerous than kitesurfing.

Past simple, present perfect, never and the first time... . (These constitute around 12% of Part 1 questions.)

15 Sarah has never had a smartphone before.
This is the ..... that Sarah has had a smartphone.

16 Joe said that he had never been to Rome.
Joe said, "I ..... been to Rome.

17 We haven't been to the theatre for a long time.
It's a long time since we ..... to the theatre.

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18 Nick joined a golf club a year ago.
Nick ..... a member of a golf club for a year.

19 They had not been to South Korea before.
It ..... the first time they had been to South Korea.

20 This will be my first visit to Brazil.
I've ..... to Brazil before.

Quantifiers: a few, not many, most, all etc (These constitute around 8% of Part 1 questions).

21 Most Valencians love rice.
Nearly ..... Valencians love rice.

22 There are only a few swimming pools in my town.
There aren't very ..... swimming pools in my town.

23 It's too hot to play football.
It's not cool ..... to play football.

24 They said I was too old to start to learn the piano.
They said I wasn't ..... to start to learn to play the piano.

Have/has => there is/are (These constitute around 8% of Part 1 questions).

25 Each section has three parts.
In each section ..... three parts.

26 The Greek restaurant has a lovely garden.
At the Greek restaurant ..... a lovely garden.

27 Nick's golf club had an important competition last month.
There ..... an important competition at Nick's golf club last month.

28 There are three tennis courts at the sports centre.
The sports centre ..... three tennis courts.

So do I/So does she (These constitute around 6% of Part 1 questions).

29 Sarah likes sending photos via whatsapp and all her friends do too.
Sarah likes sending photos via whatsapp and ..... do all her friends.

30 We love miso soup and our children love it too.
We love miso soup and so ..... our children.

31 Both my friend and I enjoy going to the cinema.
I enjoy going to the cinema and ..... my friend.

Close to/far from/near (These constitute around 6% of Part 1 questions).

32 Covent Garden is close to Oxford Street.
Covent Garden is not ..... Oxford Street.

33 Nick's house is quite near the golf club.
Nick's house is not very ..... from the golf club.

34 The Greek restaurant is quite near our house.
The Greek restaurant is not too ..... from our house.

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Reported speech to direct speech (These constitute around 6% of Part 1 questions).

35 I asked Sarah if she wanted to come to the Greek restaurant with me.
I asked Sarah, " ..... want to come to the Greek restaurant with me?"

36 Joe said that he had never been to Rome.
Joe said, " I ..... to Rome."

37 Maria suggested visiting the Sagrada Familia cathedral in Barcelona.
Maria said, " If I were you, I ..... visit the Sagrada Familia cathedral in Barcelona."

Antonyms [opposites] and Synonyms (These constitute around 10% of Part 1 questions).

38 Soccer is a very easy game to learn.
It is not very ..... to learn how to play soccer.

39 School trips can teach you a lot.
You can ..... a lot on a school trip.

40 It costs 30 Euros to visit the aquarium in Valencia.
You have to ..... 30 Euros to visit the aquarium in Valencia.

41 My teacher has lent me a great book.
I have ..... a great book from my teacher.

42 You can do this with my help or by yourself.
You can do this with my help or on ..... own.

Infinitive of purpose (These constitute around 4% of Part 1 questions).

43 Sarah uses her smartphone for sending whatsapp messages.
Sarah uses her smartphone ..... send whatsapp messages.

44 Making your own muesli doesn't take you long.
It doesn't take you long ..... your own muesli.

Indefinite pronouns [nothing, anyone etc] (These constitute around 4% of Part 1 questions).

45 It costs nothing to open a gmail account.
It doesn't cost ..... to open a gmail account.

46 Everyone in our class loves watching cartoons in English.
In our class, all of us ..... watching cartoons in English.

Unless (These constitute around 4% of Part 1 questions).

47 If we don't practise every day, we won't improve.
You won't improve ..... you practise every day.

48 You can't come to the cinema with us unless you bring some money.
You can come to the cinema with us ..... you bring some money.

Second conditional (These constitute around 4% of Part 1 questions).

49 Why don't you join a photography club?
If I were you, I ..... join a photography club.

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50 Maria suggested visiting the Sagrada Familia cathedral in Barcelona.
Maria said, "If I were you, I ..... visit the Sagrada Familia cathedral in Barcelona."

What about + -ING/Shall we... (These constitute around 4% of Part 1 questions).

51 What about eating out tonight?
Shall ..... eat out tonight?

Have versus have got (These constitute around 2% of Part 1 questions).

52 She doesn't have that car anymore.
She ..... got that car anymore.

During and While (These constitute around 2% of Part 1 questions).

53 Jane will probably visit us while she's in London.
Jane will probably visit us ..... her stay in London.

Negative infinitives (These constitute around 2% of Part 1 questions).

54 It is essential to be on time.
It's essential ..... late.

Other types of transformation (These constitute around 2% of Part 1 questions).

55 I saw one of my friends walking down the high street yesterday.
I saw a friend of ..... walking down the high street yesterday.

56 Nick loves playing golf.
Nick is very keen ..... playing golf.

57 Nick walks to the golf club in 10 minutes.
It ..... Nick 10 minutes to walk to the golf club.

58 Members can play golf any day of the week.
..... possible for members to play tennis any day of the week.

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