

1. DET Writing Transformations Exercises

COMPLETE THE SECOND 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 ^{Insert text} 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 moreany 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.

- 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.

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.

- 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.