

NILE TUITION ACADEMY

EXCELLENCE IN 11+ PREPARATION

English — Mark Scheme

Sutton SET style · Practice Paper 7 · Tutor / parent copy · 53 questions · 1 mark each

Award **1 mark** per question; no negative marking. Maximum **53 marks**. For “choose two” and “select all” questions, award the mark only if **every** required option is chosen and **no** extra option is added. The four sections mirror the SET English and test the full range of skills: spelling, literal comprehension, inference, vocabulary, **writer’s style and tone**, **literary devices** and **grammar / word classes**. Note the score in each section separately.

Section 1 — Spelling

Q	Section	Type	Answer	Correct option(s)
1	Spelling	one answer	D	parallel
2	Spelling	one answer	C	disappear
3	Spelling	one answer	B	guarantee
4	Spelling	one answer	E	mischievous
5	Spelling	one answer	E	Wednesday
6	Spelling	one answer	A	occasion
7	Spelling	one answer	B	separate
8	Spelling	one answer	B	government
9	Spelling	one answer	D	que
10	Spelling	choose two	A + B	necessary / accommodate

Section 2 — Text A: “The Race”

Q	Section	Type	Answer	Correct option(s)
11	Text A	one answer	C	she was nervous and frightened, and would rather have stayed at home
12	Text A	best explanation	E	felt much more nervous than they appeared to be
13	Text A	one answer	D	a metaphor
14	Text A	best explanation	D	she was at the back, out of breath and in pain, and feared she would fail
15	Text A	best explanation	E	away from the crowd she found a steady rhythm and stopped worrying
16	Text A	one answer	D	a simile
17	Text A	best explanation	E	her legs felt heavy and tired, making running hard
18	Text A	best explanation	A	the other runners had used up their energy and slowed down
19	Text A	best explanation	B	to show that her steady pace, not sudden bursts, was what carried her past others

Q	Section	Type	Answer	Correct option(s)
20	Text A	best explanation	A	she was proud of finishing strongly and not giving up
21	Text A	choose two	B + D	the shouting of the crowd faded behind her / she found the steady rhythm of her breathing
22	Text A	best explanation	C	A nervous girl who nearly gives up finds her rhythm in a race and feels proud of finishing, even without winning
23	Text A	one answer	C	verb
24	Text A	one answer	B	adjective
25	Text A	one answer	E	rough and uneven
26	Text A	one answer	D	calm and not rushing
27	Text A	best explanation	C	by contrasting the “thunder of feet” and shouting crowd with the “soft thud” of her trainers and the “cool green light”
28	Text A	best explanation	E	from nervous and wanting to quit to proud and eager to race again

Section 3 — Text B: “The Runner”

Q	Section	Type	Answer	Correct option(s)
29	Text B	one answer	C	running a race and finishing it for oneself, not to beat others
30	Text B	best explanation	C	personification
31	Text B	one answer	A	a simile
32	Text B	best explanation	C	the runner is nervous and excited as the race is about to start
33	Text B	one answer	D	a metaphor
34	Text B	best explanation	E	the push of the wind against the runner as they speed up
35	Text B	one answer	C	heart is hammering
36	Text B	best explanation	B	dropped behind, one after another
37	Text B	best explanation	E	the runner's real struggle is against their own tiredness and pain, not the other runners
38	Text B	best explanation	A	the runner is not expecting to win or be famous
39	Text B	best explanation	C	the pride and self-belief from finishing matter more than a medal
40	Text B	one answer	B	determined and quietly proud
41	Text B	one answer	D	adjective
42	Text B	one answer	B	smeared and unclear
43	Text B	choose two	B + C	“The finish does not call my name” / “The track lies waiting, white and straight”
44	Text B	select all	A + B + D	The runner feels nervous before the race / The runner is proud of finishing / The runner does not win the race

Section 4 — Comparison

Q	Section	Type	Answer	Correct option(s)
45	Comparison	one answer	D	both are about running a race and not giving up
46	Comparison	best explanation	A	finishing and trying your best matters more than coming first
47	Comparison	choose two	D + E	both use figurative language to describe running / both describe the runner's nerves and tiredness
48	Comparison	one answer	A	Text A is a story written in prose, while Text B is a poem in verse
49	Comparison	best explanation	A	Text A tells the full story of one girl's race, while Text B captures a runner's thoughts and feelings in verse
50	Comparison	one answer	E	against their own tiredness and doubt, rather than the other runners
51	Comparison	one answer	A	figurative language, such as similes and metaphors

Q	Section	Type	Answer	Correct option(s)
52	Comparison	best explanation	E	both feel determined and proud, but Text A also describes the calm Priya finds in the woods
53	Comparison	one answer	C	verses (stanzas)

END OF MARK SCHEME
