

Review Sheet for English Placement Exam

I. Grammar and Mechanics

1. Parts of Speech: noun, adjective, pronoun, verb, adverb, preposition, conjunction, interjection
2. Identifying subjects and verbs
3. Sentence Patterns
 - S V
 - S V DO
 - S V IO DO
 - S V DO OC (Adjective or Noun)
 - S LV C (Predicate Adjective or Noun)
4. Types of Sentences
 - Declarative
 - Interrogative
 - Exclamatory
 - Imperative
5. Sentence Structure
 - Simple
 - Compound
 - Complex
 - Compound/complex
6. Phrases
 - Prepositional
 - Verbal
 - Gerund
 - Participle
 - Infinitive
7. Clauses
 - Adverb
 - Adjective
 - Noun
8. Verbs
 - Voice: active and passive

Mood: indicative, subjunctive, imperative
Tense: Present, Past, Future, Present Perfect, Past Perfect,
Future Perfect
Principal Parts: regular and irregular verbs

9. Pronouns
Case: nominative and objective
10. Subject/Verb agreement; Pronoun/antecedent agreement
11. Nouns: possessives, plurals
12. Mechanics: plurals, capital letters, punctuation—commas, semicolons, apostrophes, question marks, periods, quotation marks, exclamation points, colons, dashes, parentheses, brackets, slashes, ellipses

II. Writing

In addition to the section on grammar and mechanics, each student will be asked to write a paragraph which will be evaluated on the following criteria:

1. Unity—one idea
Clear topic sentence
All sentences related to topic sentence
2. Coherence
Clear, logical order
Necessary transitions
3. Development
details
examples

Reference Book:

Glenn, Cheryl, et al. *Hodges' Harbrace Handbook*. New York: Thomson/Heinle, 2004.