



## Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar

1. Choose the correct **spellings** to complete the sentences below.

Sitting alone in the darkness, Joseph felt incredibly/incredibly tired.

Since starting work at the coal mine, Joseph's life had changed considerably/considerably.

Joseph's day at the coal mine was going terrably/terribly.

2. Why has a **hyphen** been used in the sentence below?

*She stalked the lanes with her wire-tipped pole, looking for the houses that had slate boards propped outside.*

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3. Which sentence uses the **colon** correctly?

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**one.**

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4. Underline the **modal verb** in the passage below.

*It was something his father had said to him when he first realised that he was blind: "I shall never read or write now. It's too late for me, but it's not too late for you, Joseph."*

5. Rewrite the sentence below so that it is in the **active voice**.

Joseph was woken by a thwack across the head with a wooden stick.

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