# Canadian Bell Work for Grade 6

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# **Bell Work Teacher Information**

- The first day of every month I give each student a copy of the current bell work sheet on colored paper, which is kept folded and placed inside his/her "BELL WORK" notebook.
- While I take care of attendance, milk money, etc., the students begin to answer that day's question in their notebooks.
- After I have finished getting everything in order, we take up that day's bell work. At the end of the month students are welcome to bring their sheets home to share with a parent, or put in our scrap paper bin.
- These questions are a mix of creative and academic tasks, with some questions adapted from state and provincial tests.
- This is the Canadianversion with appropriate spellings and measurement units. I also have an American version!





- 1. What do you like least and best about school? Write a paragraph telling your teacher your views on school.
- 2. Rewrite the following percentages using %. For example: 25 out of 100 is 25%.

   3 out of 100
   72 out of 100
   0 out of 100

   87 out of 100
   9 out of 100
   66 out of 100
- 3. Think about your favourite vacation. It could be a campground, an amusement park, etc. Design a colorful poster to advertise this destination to encourage visitors. Include: The name of the destination, the main activities, the cost, the location, and any other information you feel is important.
- 4. Monica has 12 \$20 bills and 8 \$5 bills. How much money does she have in total?
- 5. Nouns are words that are used to name people, places, or things. Think about a book that you have read recently. Make a list of 5 people, 5 places, and 5 things from the book.
- 6. Continue this pattern as high as you can: 5, 9, 17, 33, \_\_\_\_, \_\_\_, \_\_\_\_,
- 7. Antonyms are words that have opposite meanings. For example: excited bored. Find antonyms for the following words: polite, late, laugh, run, open, cool, sick, light, easy, and argue.
- 8. Mark had 3 and 2/5 metres long rope. He cut it into shorter ropes of 3/5 yards each. How many shorter ropes was he able to make? Was any rope left? Show your work.
- 9. A <u>simple subject</u> is the main word or word group that tells <u>whom</u> or <u>what</u> the sentence is about. For example: in the sentence <u>Miss Henry</u>, the gym teacher, told the students to sit in their squads, <u>Miss Henry</u> is the subject because she is the one the sentence is about. Rewrite the following sentences and underline the simple subject in each sentence.

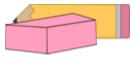
The color of the sky changed at dusk. Mr. Hinnegan, the French teacher, is in Room 7 All the new clocks need four batteries before they will work. 10. Write 3 facts (true information) and 3 opinions (your own ideas) about summer.



- 11.. Create an addition and a subtraction problem that would have an answer between 3,875 and 4,875.
- 12. Write 6 words that you might find on a dictionary page that has the guide words **flew** and **flu** <u>without using a dictionary!</u>
- 13. Write a short paragraph about a habit you find hard to break.
- 14. Sam and Erica want to buy their mother this ring for her birthday. The ring costs \$67.54. They have 2 \$50 bills. How could the cashier give them change using the fewest bills and coins?
- 15. A simple sentence contains a subject and a verb, and it expresses a complete thought. For example: August is the eighth month of the year. Write 5 simple sentences about your school.
- 16. Make a list of the 10 most unusual jobs you would be interested in doing when you are an adult.
- 17. Draw the following shapes, and include any lines of symmetry each shape has:



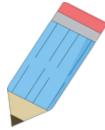
- 18. With a classmate, have a silent conversation. Write one sentence, then trade with your friend, responding to his/her sentence. Continue the conversations until the teacher tells you that time is up.
- **19. Commas** are used to separate items written in a sentence. For example: <u>I need</u> <u>to buy red paint</u>, a brush, and heavy paper for my art project. Write 3 sentences containing a list in each sentence on any topic your wish.
- 20. . If a new sports field measures 9.5 m by 7 m, how many metres of fencing would be required to go around the fence?
- 21. What would you do if you went to the store to buy something and discovered that you left your money at home? Write a 5-7 sentence paragraph about how you might handle the situation.
- 22.A compound word is a longer word made from 2 shorter words. For example, **baseball**. Write as many compound words as you can!



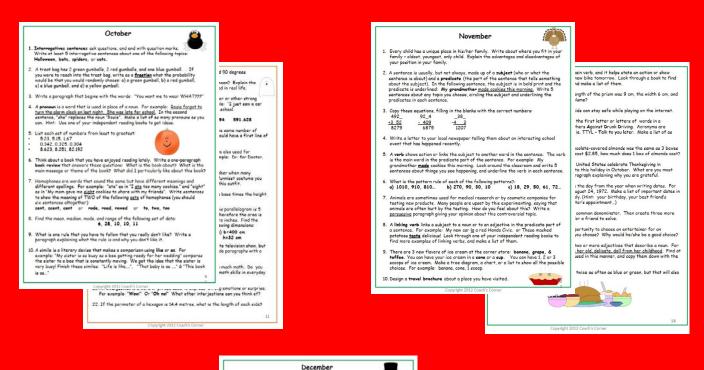
## August Answer Key

Note:: OE means "Open-Ended" answer.

- 2. 3%, 72%, 0%, 87%, 9%, 66%
- 3. OE, but poster should be persuasive in nature.
- 4. 12 X \$20 = 240, and 8 X \$5 = \$40. Therefore \$240 + \$40 = \$280. Monica has \$280 in total.
- 5. OE
- 6. 5, 9, 17, 33, 65, 129, 257, 513, 1025, 2049... (Rule is start at 5 and add 4, then 8, then 12...
- 7. Could be more than 1 antonym for each. Here are the basic antonyms for the given words: polite rude, late early, laugh cry, run walk, open close, cool warm, sick well, easy hard, argue agree.
- 8. Mark was able to make 5 shorter ropes, with 2/5 of a rope left over.
- 9. Simple subjects: color, Mr. Hinnegan, clocks.
- 10. OE
- 11. OE, as long as sum and difference is between 3,875 and 4,875.
- 12. OE, as long as words are alphabetically between flew and flu. For example, flight, floppy, flirt, flood, flower, floor, floss, flow, fling, flexible...
  13. OE
- 14.2 X \$50 = \$100 \$100 67.54 = **\$32.46** This amount can be made using the least number of bills and coins with 1 **\$20 bill**, 1 **\$10 bill**, 1 **twoonie**, 1 **quarter**, 2 dimes, and 1 penny.
- 15. OE
- 16. OE
- 17. Triangle 3 lines of symmetry, trapezoid 1, cross 2, pentagon 5, hexagon 6, diamond 2, heart 1
- 18. OE
- 19. OE
- 20. 9.5 + 9.5 + 7 + 7 = 33 33 metres of fencing are needed.
- 21.OE
- 22.OE



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- December is a menth of celebration for many cultures. Write a porgraph describing a celebration in your home this month, and explain the significance of this event
- Imparative contences give commande, and often have no subject, as the subject is understood to be "yea", as in "Tis year becel". An imparative contence ands in either a paired or an exclamation mark. Write at least 5 imparative contences you might hear in December.

- At the end of the "12 Days of Christmas", how many gifts did the singer's "true love" receive?
- 7. Hew many words can you make using the letters in "celebration"?

- Food is an important component of many cultural and family celebrations. Write a recount of a time that you helped an adult prepare a special meal.

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It have different meanings. For lings in the following sentences: ittle boy has <u>fair</u> hair. The Write two different sentences wing words: **read**, **tear**, **bow**,

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#### January

- In January many people make "New Year's Resolutions", which mean set specific goals for themselves. Write about a resolution yeu have made for yourself, and describe your plan for reaching your goall
- A hyphen (-) is used in different ways. It can be used to divide a word when you run out of room at the and of a line. A word may be divided only between ghibbles. For example, per-feet runther than perfect. Divide the following words into syllables using hyphere. Be careful some words have more than 2 syllables. Address, networks, neutral dividence, neutral dividence, neutral dividence of the syllables.
- Katie finished 1/3 of the 30 math problems assigned in class. Nadia did 3/10 of the problems. Ellen finished 20% of the questions, while Stacey completed 8 of the 30 problems. Who has the most math homework tonight? Justify your
- 4. A compand sentence is a longer sentence made up of two shorter sentences which are joined together using a conjunction such as "but", en "bot", for into "Bill works and a sentence and the botther is delayed to degra. A comme is us before the conjunction in a company's extenses. Using an independent readin book, find and copy' a company asterness.
- Write a short story beginning with the words: Our dog started barking wildly, but we couldn't see anything \_\_\_\_\_
- 6. What is the value of "C" in this equation: 4 × C 4 = 16
- Write 4 sentences about winter, using a different type of sentence each time declarative, exclamatory, interrogative, and imperative.
- Antenyms are words which mean the opposite of each other. For examples sincere artificial. Find antonyms for the following words: gergeous professional entique here energized
- If two angles on a triangle measure 115 degrees and 40 degrees, what is the measure of the third angle? What kind of triangle is it?
- Think about the writing assignment you enjoyed most at school, in any you bescribe the task, and explain why you liked it.
- 11. Write a sentence for each of the following words: dew, do, due.

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- An ellipsis ( . . . ) can be used to show words that have been left out of a sentence or to show a pouse as a speaker talk. For example My mother perdered, "Well. It guess you can go to the movie'. Use an independent reading back and copy or least three examples of the use of ellipsie.
- Use a ruler to draw a line segment of any length. Label the line segment to show 0% 28%, 80%, 78% and 300%.

February

- In many parts of the world, February is a month when many animals spend their time deep in sleep. How many words can you make using the letters in "Albernete"?
- News can name people, animale, thinge, ideas, and fealings. Write 5 sentences, with each sentence having a different type of noun in it: a person, an animal, a thing, an idea, and a fealing. Underline all the nouns.
- A bag of gumballs weight 1.48 kg. There are 8 gumballs in the bag. How much does each gumball weigh?
- 6. Some parents pay their children a regular allowance simply because they feel it teaches them have to bandle manay. Other parents pay their children manay only fer chares that have been does. What's your opinion? Do you believe that children should have to work to get an allowance?
- Proper nouns name specific people, places, or things. For example, a proper noun for "girl" might be "Lucy", Replace these common nouns with proper nouns: restaurant testhpaste book cereal candy bar meric musician
- 8. Solve the following equations:  $5 + \alpha = 9 \times 2$ ,  $5 \times b = 4 \times 4$ , c + 5 = 12 6. Then create at least 3 more equations. Trade equations with a friend to solve.
- 9. In February many people celebrate Valentines Day, honoring the people they love. Think about all the people that you know. Who has the biggest haort? Thet means who do you know who is always kinds and ready to help ather? Write a paragraph giving examples of how this person demonstrates a big heart.
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action that is happening now, such as "The . The past tense of a verb states on action past, such as "The baby laughed when she nose last night". Rewrite these sentences so

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compares two different things <u>without</u> mple: "Her eyes were fireflies" suggests es. Look through one or two independent mples of metaphors. Hint: Poems are

ave school newspapers. There are usually pers: news stories (straight information), ermation, perhaps about a particular latters, where students write to the editor of topics that you think would be suitable theat.

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- 8. Write about your earliest memory. Why do you think this memory stayed in your
- 10. A selen () is used in a sentence to introduce a list or to draw attention to the information that follows: It can also be used between the numbers in time (i.e. 10:30 pm.). Leak through an independent reading back and sapy down three examples of sentences in which a colon has been used.
- Your uncle travelled 117 km in 2.25 hours to make it home for a special family get-together. What was his average speed of traveling per hour?
- A prime number can be divided evenly only by 1, and or itself, and it must be a whole number greater than 1. The first prime numbers are: 2, 3, 5, 7. Keep this list going as high as you can. Write a set of instructions for planning a special celebration



#### March Write the following numbers: Three thousand two hundred ninety seven and thirty-two hundred Two hundred ten and forty-three hundredths The difference between six tenths and three hundredths

- The suffix "ous" means "full of". For example: "dangerous" means "full of dange Copy the following words, and beside each word write down its meaning: adventurous, chivelrous, erroneous, fictitious, glemorous, jayous, torturous
- Write about a time when you felt really proud of yourself.
- 4. Write a rule to explain how to tell if a number can be evenly divided by 5.
- 5. A Grade 6 class has 24 students. If the students are divided up into equal groups with no more than five groups, what are the different ways that they can be grouped?
- A compound predicate is made up of two or more simple predicates (action words). For example: <u>Fris evept and mosped the Floor</u>, Write at least five sentences that contain compound predicates.
- Think about the last fictional book you read. How was the setting of the book important to the story?
- Write two equivalent ratios for each of the following ratios: 3:7 20:80 4:8 24:30 30:25
- 9. St, Patrick's Day is on March 17<sup>th</sup>, and many people think about their "lucky charms". Do you (or someone you know) have an object think obout their Special Luck? Write a paragraph describing this object and give some exemples of how it has brought good luck.
- A palindrome is a word that reads the same forwards and backwards, such as "kayak". Work with a friend to see how many palindromes you can create.
- 11. After winning their football game, team members ordered five large pizzas. Twelve people ate 1/8 of a pizza each, while the six hungriest members ate <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> pizza each. How much pizza was left over when everyone was full? P
- How many words can you make using the letters in "pot of gold"?

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 The first day in April is "April Fools Day", when many people enjoy playing tricks on each other. Think about a time when you played a trick on someor but it ended up "backfiring" on you, and write a paragraph about it. A sentence frequent is a group of words that do not express a complete though For example, <u>characed for their home team</u> is mixing the subject we don't how WHO cheared for their home team. Turn the following sentence frequents into complete sentences: day, and some people wo that day. What other o bring bad luck? died 5 days after the operation. did not have enough life boats on the way to school the two boys over the next hill For example, <u>The clawn</u> in has two adverbs: quickly he field. 3. Make this equation true as many ways as you can: 12 X \_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_ - 5 aid \$9.25 per hour and ave at the end of his first April is "National Poetry Month". Do you know any poems by heart? If you do, write one down. If you don't, write about how you feel about poetry. Many verbs are called "irregular", because they don't follow a rule when they are written in the past tense. For example: break - broke. Copy the following verbs, including the past tense of the verb: **freeze** steal swing weave dive ris our classroom, how would classroom design, making Amber needs 1.4 metres of special ribbon for a craft she is making. The ribbon casts \$6.75 per 0.5 metres. How much does Amber pay for the ribbon? ort form) of the states when ". See if you can write Instead of writing and mailing latters to friends and relatives, many people today communicate by e-mail and text messages. How are e-mails and text messages the same, and how are they different? When would you contact a friend by e-mail rather than text, and vice versa? Compare and contrast these two communication device. is not prime. Write the itence to add extra <u>The chart (figure 3) shows</u> it reading books, find and 8. How many words can you make using the letters in "imagination"? 9. Find all the factors for each of the following numbers: 14, 36, 50, 11, 76, 60 10.Suppose the teacher has offered the class time to watch a movie on a special day. Two other students, along with you, each has a different movie to sugget, a all three of you are acked to prepare a specient to your classmates, who will than vate for which movie they would like to watch. Write a persuasive, information speech about your chaine of movie. verds can be made by adding smple: "expensive" is the the root words for the communication, unfriendly. rite a paragraph about why 11. Change these words to adverbs: happy, silent, desperate, fair, weary, nice Ŧ 29

April

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- The "ear" sound (as in "year"), see also be made by "ear", (as in "reindeer"), i carefully at the following pairs of words, and copy only the words that you th are applied correctly: <u>services</u>, chear/hear, hear/hear, services, wear/wear, snear/snear, pionean/pionear, year/year, clear/clear, reindear/reindeer
- Think of a number between 10 and 50, and write clues to help someone guess your number. For example, clues for "26" could be: It is an even number. It is a multiple of 13. The two digits add up to 8. It is 4 less than 3×30.
- 4. Pretend that your class wants to go to a new waterpark for an end-of-year trij and that the park will charge each student \$14.85. Your class decides to do so fundraising to pay for the trip. How much meney is needed altegether?
- 5. A properties is a word that relates a neur or preneur to another word in the sentence. For example: <u>The day created Availe his new day house</u>. Some com preparition or: beside, upon, through, off. Make a list of as many preparitions as you can think of!
- If you could have any superpower, what would it be? The ability to fly, X-ray vision, tremendous strength...> Write a paragraph about what superpower you would choose, and why you would choose it.
- What do the following percentages mean:

   a) 25% off all new jeans
   b) 2% milk
   c) 0% more vitamins
   d) 70% chance of snow flurries
- If you could live anywhere in the world, where would it be? Have you been there before, or just read about it or saw it on TV? Write about your dream location.
- The comparative form of an adjactive compares two people, places, or things. For example, My grandfathanis effect than my grandmather. Sometimes the word "mare" or "less" is added to create comparite adjactives. For example: mare harmfull" or "less scared". Create 3 sentences that compare two people, places.

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- Aeronyms are words that are made up of the first latters of a title or a group of words. For example, many students renember the names of the Great Lake by using the HOMES aeronym (Lakes Huran, Ontaria, Michigan, Erie, and Superiar). Create an accompt to help a cleasmate namember another important fact or idea.

- The faces of a number cube are labeled 1,2,3,4,5,6. Heather relis the cube 54 times. How many times should she expect to roll a 42 Explain your thinking.
- There are many types of natural disesters that occur throughout the world. For example: conthquakes, tsunamis, and hurricanes. Which kind of natural disester do you think is the scariest? Write a paragraph explaining your thoughts.
- 8. Use the words "lead" and "led" properly in sentences.
- Jesse paid \$5.00 for one notebook and 4 pens. One notebook cost \$2.60. How much does each pen cost? Show your work.
- 10. Percent auxily have a pintre on one risk and a short maxage on the other herein on uncellent efforts and percent is their characteristic and relatives to show and fell them about their holicity. Make 2 integre restangle on your pages. They a pintrue from your fravorite auxiliaria in the first restangle, and write a short message (2-3 sentences) to a friend back home telling them something interarting about your this.

11, WI Write the following words, using hyphens (-) to show how each word is broken into syllables: computers, publish, interested, difficult, unfortunately

12. Create the most difficult math problem you can make, and ask a friend to try to selve it. Make sure that YOU knew the correct enswer first!



- Many people anjoy visiting waterparks in the summer. If you could design a new waterpark, what would you name it? What would be the most peopler rides at your waterpark?
- Carter and Eva were filling up the wading posl for their little brother, Gurtis. Carter carried 2/5 of a pail and Eva carried 2 of a pail of water. How many pails of water did they carry altogether?
- 3. Use the following pairs of words in sentences: eccept/except, cer/may, find/fined.
- Henry Ford invented the first car in 1896. It had no root, and outing only about distances. What type of features do you have care have by the time you're ald anough to drive and buy your own car?
   A makane second and the second second buy your own car? A students tassed a penny 60 times, and the cain landed an "heads" 26 times, on "tails" 34 times. According to these results, what is the probability of the landing on heads or tails, expressed as a <u>fraction</u>?

6. A singular possessive form is usually made by adding an apartraphe and "s". For example, Annt Tards pursa. If the singular non-already unde with an "s" and "south the possessive can available amount by adding juit an apartraphe. The sample: Carlie biss. Chean and the agins of the area possessive from the argins of the area. The basis belonging to Locas. The neithe of the basis the number of the south a so

- 7. What do you think is a fair badtime on school nights for students your age? Do you think you should be able to decide for yoursalf when to go to bed, or do you think parents should usually be responsible for this? Write a persuasive paragraph about bedtimes.
- spinners, each having the following probabilities: Spinner A: The probability of spinning a capital latter is 3/5 Spinner C: The probability of spinning a composite number is 3/6 Spinner C: The probability of spinning a composite number is 3/6

9. What name do you wish you had been given as a baby? Explain why you prefer that



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- 3. Draw pictures to show the following fractions: 6/10, 1/3, 8/12, 5/8
- 4. If you could change anything about yourself, what would it be?
- 5 Institutor underlining can be used for the titles of backs, movies, songe, newspapers, etc. For example, Horry Potter and the Soncorrer's Stance en-Horry Potter and the Soncorrer's Stance. We take the set 3 estimates in which the title of 5 back, movie, takenison program, video game or magazine is mentioned.



Special

Summer

Section

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- Summer What is the most important thing you would like to do this summer? Why is this important to you?
- more than two people, places, or the adjective. For example: <u>Phoebe</u> as "most" is added before the ite at least three sentences, each

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