
Year 5

ENGLISH
(Reading and Writing)

Time: 1hr 15 mins

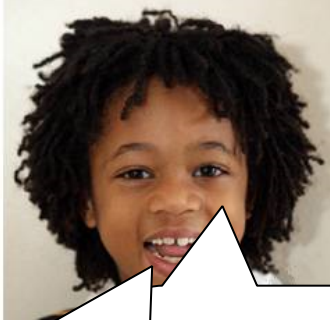
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Section A

Read carefully.

Lucy, Luke and Lee are at a DVD rental shop.



I'm Lee. I like to watch my favorite detective stories. I also like exciting stories about treasures, spies and martial arts. Sometimes I like to watch movies about indians and cowboys.



I'm Luke. I prefer to watch movies about aliens and different worlds. Sometimes I like to watch movies about real people's lives. However what I like most are cartoons.

Look at the DVD selection on the next page.

Write the numbers of the section that matches their preferences. The first one is done.

DVD Preferences					
Lee		Lucy		Luke	
treasure hunts and pirates	3	film with songs and dancing		computer animated films	
guns horses and dusty towns		humorous movies		life on another planet	
bank robbers		bible stories		people's lives	

(8 marks)

1. Animation



2. Comedy



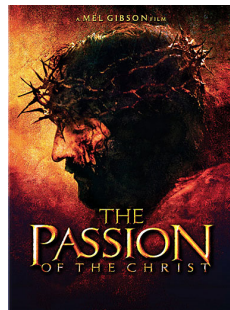
3. Action and Adventure



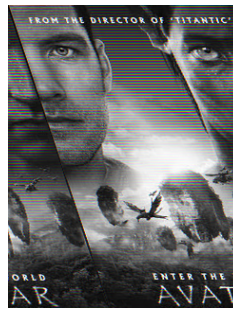
4. Musicals



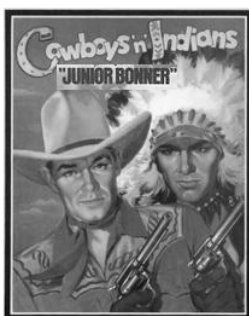
5. Biblical



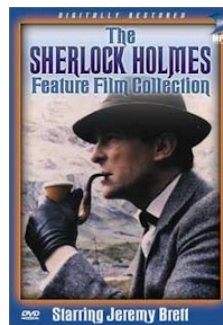
6. Science Fiction



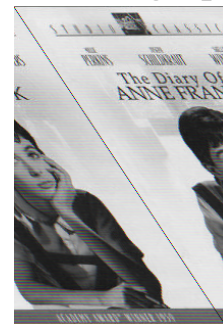
7. Westerns



8. Crime



9. Biographies



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Section B

(22 marks)

Read the following comprehension passage which is divided into 2 sections to help you.

THEN ANSWER THE QUESTIONS THAT FOLLOW EACH SECTION.

How to Fool a Cat

Part 1

Once there was a rich lord who liked to collect carvings of animals. He had many kinds, but he had no carved mouse. So he called two skilled carvers to him and said, "I want each one of you to carve a mouse for me. I want them to be so lifelike that my cat will think they are real mice and pounce on them. We'll put them down together and see which mouse the cat pounces on first. To the carver of that mouse I'll give a bag of gold."

(paragraph 1)

So the two carvers went back to their homes and set to work. After a time they came back. One had carved a wonderful mouse out of wood. It was so well done that it looked exactly like a mouse. The other, however, had done very badly. He had used some material that flaked and looked funny; it didn't look like a mouse at all.

(paragraph 2)

Questions on Section 1

1. Tick (✓) True or False.

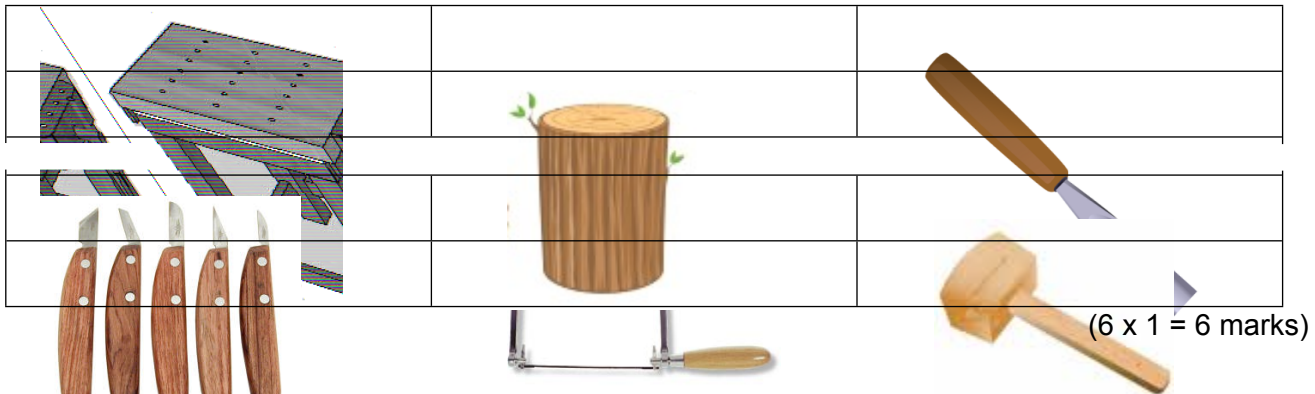
True	False	
a	The rich lord liked to collect curved animals.	
b	He wished to own a carved mouse.	
c	He wanted the carvings to look realistic.	
d	The cat was to choose the best carving.	
e	The lord promised the better carver a bag of silver.	
f	One of the carvings was made of stone.	

(6 x ½ = 3 marks)

2. Look at the tools a carver has in his workshop.

Fill in the empty boxes with the correct tool name.

hammer	carving knives	saw
wood	workbench	chisel



3a. Answer in short:

Which **word** in **paragraph 1** means **jumps quickly**? _____

3b. Underline the right answer.

Which **carved mouse** could **break easily**?

(i) the wooden mouse

(ii) the flaky mouse



(2 X ½ = 1 mark)

How to Fool a Cat

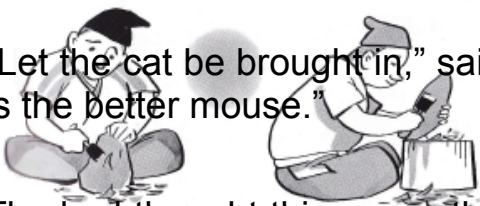
Part 2

“What’s this?” said the lord. “This wooden mouse is a marvelous piece of carving, but this other mouse – if it is indeed supposed to be a mouse – wouldn’t fool anyone, let alone a cat.”

(paragraph 1)

“Let the cat be brought in,” said the second carver. “The cat can decide which is the better mouse.”

(paragraph 2)



The lord thought this was rather silly, but ordered the cat to be brought in. No sooner had it come into the room than it pounced upon the badly carved mouse and paid no attention at all to the one that was carved well.

(paragraph 3)

There was nothing for the lord to do but give the gold to the unskillful carver, but as he did so he said, "Well, now that you have the gold, tell me how you did it?"

(paragraph 4)

"It was easy, my lord," said the man. "I didn't carve my mouse from wood. I carved it from dried fish. That's why the cat pounced upon it so swiftly."

(paragraph 6)

Answer these questions in full.

4. Why did the cat pounce upon the badly carved mouse? (2 marks)

5a. In your opinion who was the cleverer carver? (1 mark)

Tick (✓) the correct answer.

a	The one who carved the mouse out of wood.	
b	The one who carved the mouse out of dried fish.	

5b. Explain why. (3 marks)

6. The lord kept his word and gave the bag of gold to the unskillful carver.
Why is it important to always keep your word? (3 marks)

7. Find words in the passage that have the following meaning:

(3 marks)

a	did not take notice (paragraph 3)	
b	not able (paragraph 4)	
c	quickly (paragraph 5)	

8. **Complete the story.**

Fill in each blank with the correct form of the verb in brackets.

One* verb has been given as an example.

(5 marks)

When the lord ***heard** (hear) how the cat and everyone else _____
(have) been fooled, he _____ (can) not help laughing, and soon
everyone in the entire court _____ (is) holding his sides with laughter.
Finally the lord _____ (decide) to _____ (give) each of the
carvers a bag of gold for they really deserved it.

Short Writing Task

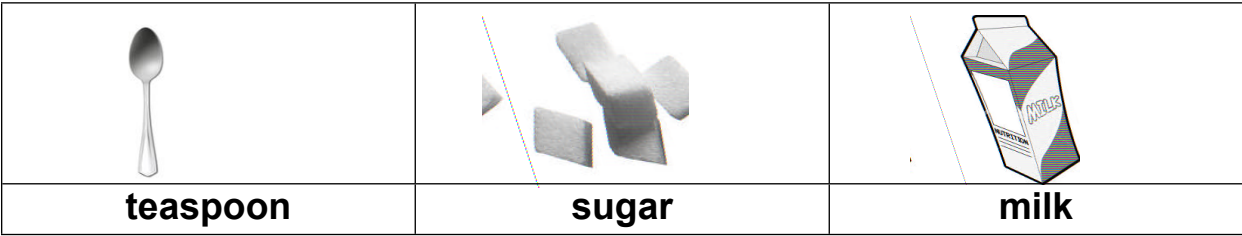
Write between 40 and 50 words

(5 marks)

1. Your mum is sick and you want to make her a cup of tea. Write down all the steps needed to make a cup of tea.

The pictures and words below are there to help you.

		
water	kettle	cup and saucer



sugar

milk

[illegible]

(20 marks)

In not less than **120 words** write a composition on **ONE** of the following:

Describe the hat, where you found it, what it does and write about your adventures.

Write about the day, whom you were with and what happened to you.

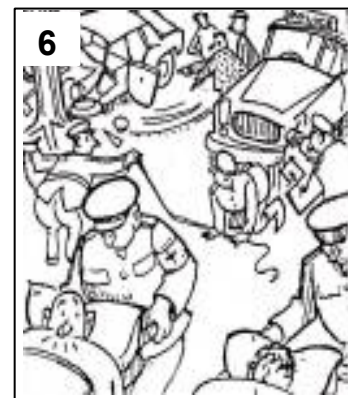
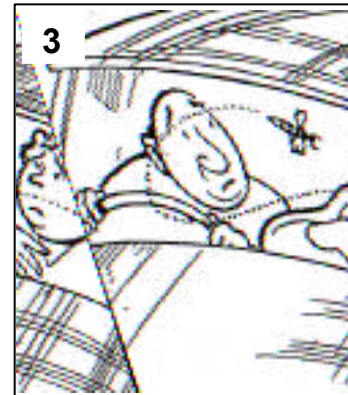
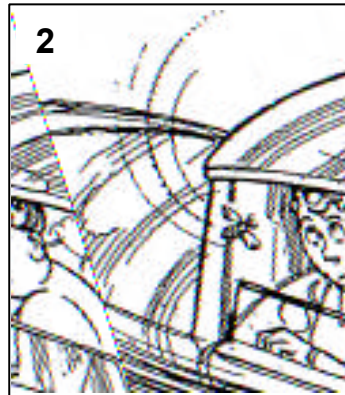
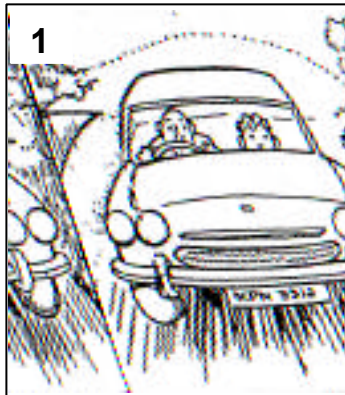
... and that is how I found out what the mysterious sound was.

4. Picture Composition: **The accident**

Look at the six pictures. **Write a story about the pictures.**

The following words and phrases may help you:

countryside, wasp, buzzed around their heads, stung, lost control, crashed into, called for help, stretcher, ambulance.



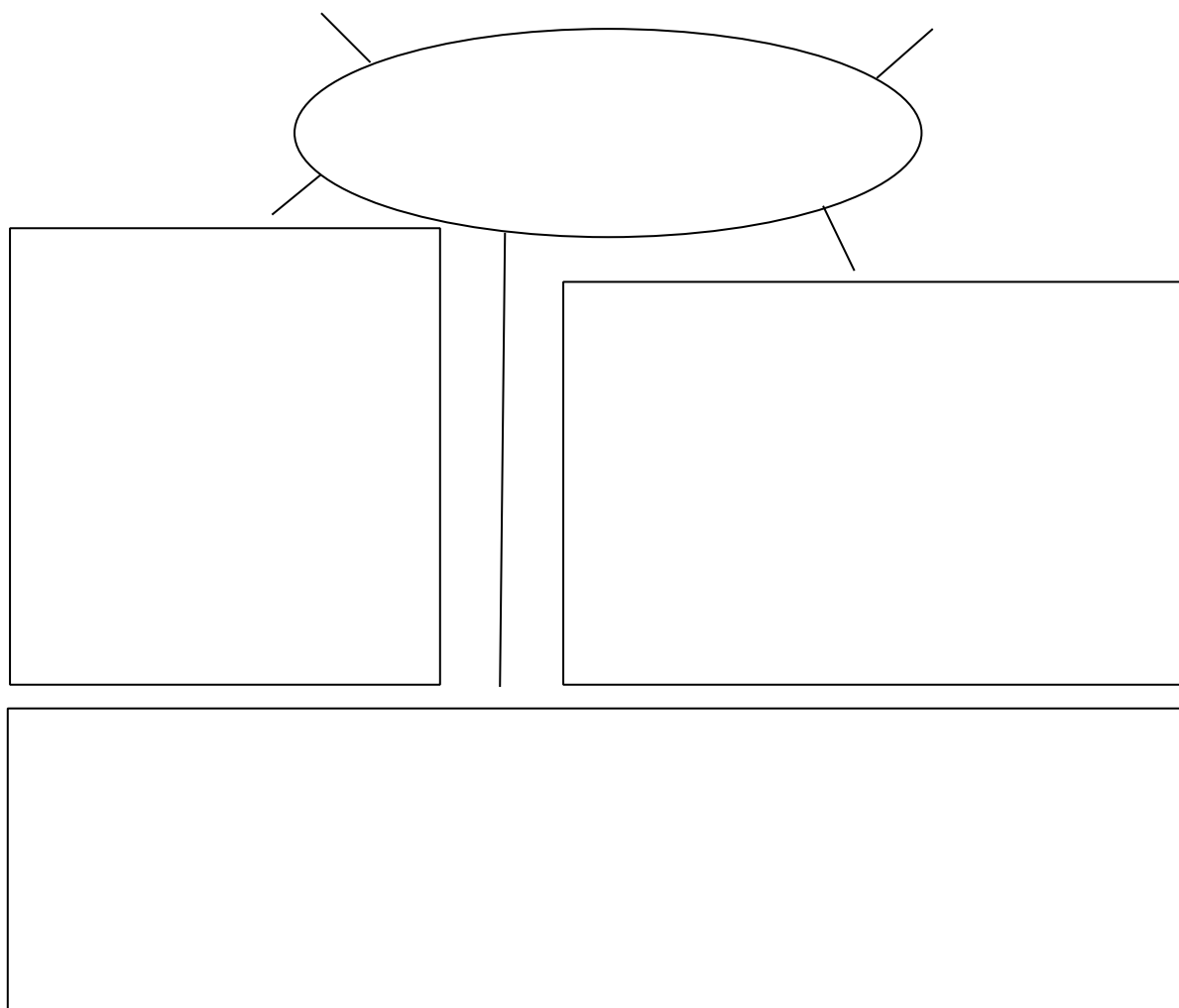
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Plan your composition before you start writing.

(4 marks)

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Write your story on the next page

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(16 marks)

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