

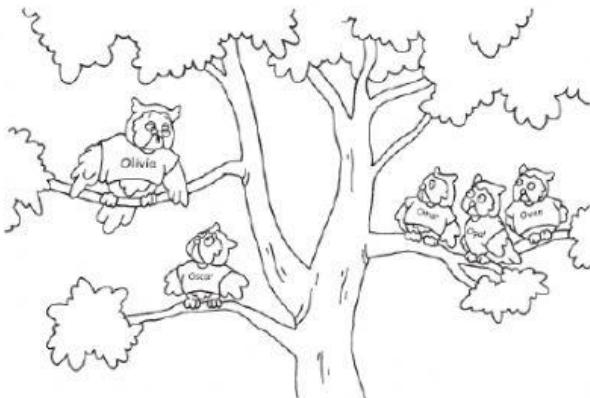


Centro Escolar Alom  
Reading Comprehension and Vocabulary Test  
Second Grade  
Fifth Period

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

I. Oscar, the owl, had a problem. Read how his friends helped him solve his problem. Then answer the questions that follow.



Oscar was an owl. Like most owls, he had huge yellow eyes and feathers that stuck up like ears. But Oscar had a problem. The other owls in the woods slept all day and hunted at night. Oscar slept all night and stayed awake all day. Because of this, Oscar was often lonely. His friends did not know how to help him change. They took Oscar to see Olivia, a very wise old owl.

Olivia said, "Have a party one night."

"How is a party going to help Oscar sleep all day?" his friends asked.

Olivia laughed. "When the sun begins to set and Oscar starts to fall asleep, start eating, singing, dancing, and laughing," she said. "No one sleeps through a party! Keep him awake all night. He'll be so tired in the morning that he'll fall asleep like the rest of us."

The next night, as the sun set, Oscar yawned. He found a nice spot on an oak branch to sleep. Suddenly, he heard music. Olivia and her husband, Owen, sang a funny song. Owls from all over flew in. Aunt Opal served a mouse stew. Everyone was hooting and talking and having fun. Soon, Oscar saw a big full moon that lit the black night.

At about midnight, Oscar felt sleepy. Suddenly, the band grew louder and everyone began to dance. "Come on, Oscar!" they yelled. "Start tapping those toes!"

Oscar loved to dance. He danced fast, and he danced slowly. He danced with Omar, and he danced with Opal. He danced until the sun peeked over the hills.

"I've never been so tired," Oscar said as he let his yellow eyes close.

The party worked! From that day on, Oscar slept all day and stayed awake all night.



**II. Read each sentence and choose the correct answer.**

**1. Oscar's friends were**

- A. angry
- B. lazy
- C. caring

**2. If this story needed a new name, which name would be best?**

- A. "Oscar Helps Olivia"
- B. "All About Owls"
- C. "A Party for Oscar"

**3. At the beginning of the story, how was Oscar different from the other owls?**

- A. He liked to dance.
- B. He slept all night.
- C. He had yellow eyes.

**4. Which happened first in this story?**

- A. Olivia and Owen sang.
- B. Everyone danced.
- C. Oscar's friends talked to Olivia.

**5. The story ended at what time of the day?**

- A. morning
- B. evening
- C. noon

**6. How did Oscar's friends help him stay up all night?**

- A. They made dinner for him.
- B. They sang to him.
- C. They had a party.

**7. At the end of the story, Oscar**

- A. still slept all night.
- B. could not fall asleep.
- C. slept like the other owls.

**8. At the end of the story, Oscar**

- A. Old owls are wise owls.
- B. With help, we can change.
- C. Sleep is very important.

**9. What is the author's purpose in the story?**

- A. To inform
- B. To entertain
- C. To persuade

**10. Who is the main character in this story?**

- A. Oscar
- B. Olivia
- C. Omar

**II. Use the vocabulary from the box to complete each sentence.**

pond - rainbow - word – live – mother

11. The picture shows a colorful \_\_\_\_\_ in the sky

12. Humans will \_\_\_\_\_ on the moon.

13. The \_\_\_\_\_ bear took care of her cubs

14. Can you think another \_\_\_\_\_ for trade – off?

15. The frog swam into the \_\_\_\_\_ to eat a breakfast.

III. Choose the answer for the following questions.

16. At about midnight, Oscar felt sleepy. What does **midnight** mean?

- A. the end of the night
- B. the beginning of the night
- C. the middle of the night

17. Sophie saw two yellow lights in a tree. She kept staring at the spot. What does **staring** mean?

- A. flying away
- B. looking hard
- C. shining a light

18. Which of these words is a **compound word**?

- A. basketball
- B. animal
- C. darkness

19. Oscar was sleepy, but the band at his party was loud. Which word means the **opposite of loud**?

- A. funny
- B. quiet
- C. fast

20. Oscar danced slowly. The word **slowly** tells

- A. where he danced.
- B. when he danced.
- C. How he danced.

Total points: \_\_\_\_\_/20