

MINI COMPREHENSION TEST 3 – CHAPTERS 7–8

STUDENT: _____

Write your answers (A–D) in the below table.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7

- 1 The pigs decide to build a new windmill, but this time the windmill ...
 - a will be significantly taller.
 - b will contain additional rooms for the pigs.
 - c will be surrounded by a barbed wire.
 - d will have thicker walls.
- 2 To pay for grain and feed, Napoleon demands the hens give up 400 eggs a week ...
 - a but the hens are physically unable to deliver so many eggs.
 - b but the hens refuse to do so and revolt against this decision.
 - c for which they will be rewarded with additional rations of corn.
 - d and they do so willingly, saying “Napoleon is always right”.
- 3 After having questioned Squealer’s claim that Snowball worked for Jones, Boxer ...
 - a is attacked by Napoleon’s dogs, which he is able to avert successfully.
 - b is attacked and heavily injured by Napoleon’s dogs.
 - c is considered Jones’s spy and is disallowed to socialise with the other farm animals.
 - d is tortured by Napoleon’s followers.
- 4 Napoleon sells timber ...
 - a to Frederick who pays him with a blank cheque.
 - b to Mr. Pilkington who pays him with a blank cheque.
 - c to Frederick who pays him with counterfeit bills.
 - d to Mr. Pilkington who pays him with counterfeit bills.
- 5 Animal Farm is once again attacked by ...
 - a Jones and his men.
 - b Mr. Pilkington and his men.
 - c Frederick and his men.
 - d Mr. Whymper and his men.
- 6 The pigs chance upon a barrel of whiskey, get drunk and later ...
 - a declare a capital sentence on any animal that should dare drink alcohol.
 - b decide to purchase greater amounts of alcohol.
 - c decide to produce their own alcohol in the future.
 - d ask Mr. Whymper to procure alcohol for them.
- 7 Regarding alcohol, Squealer ...
 - a announces publicly that a limited consumption of alcohol is allowed after all.
 - b gives a public speech on the devastating effects of excessive alcohol consumption
 - c secretly rewrites one of the Seven Commandments related to alcohol consumption.
 - d gives a moralising lecture on how pigs need to consume some alcohol to do all the intellectual work.

VOCABULARY – CHAPTERS 7–8

The tasks below focus on some of the words that appear in Chapters 7–8. To do all the exercise, you may need to consult a dictionary.⁷

Match the words from the box with their definitions.

to mangle pretext fortnight privy to to fall short (of) to abolish to hoist						
1	to end (an activity, custom, etc.) officially					1 _____
2	to lift something heavy, usually using ropes					2 _____
3	a pretended reason for doing something that is used to hide the real reason					3 _____
4	to fail to reach a desired amount or standard and is disappointing					4 _____
5	a period of two weeks					5 _____
6	to destroy (something) by twisting it with force or tearing it into pieces so that its original form is completely changed					6 _____
7	to be aware of or knowing about (something secret)					7 _____

Form new words from those provided in brackets.

- I'm very _____ of your new coat – it's lovely. (ENVY)
- The quality of the light provided the _____ for the painting. (INSPIRE)
- Some people think to succeed in this world you have to act _____. (RUTHLESS)
- He claims that he is completely devoted to his children and yet it is _____ (= clearly) not the case. (MANIFEST)
- Snow and ice in the south-east has left many roads _____, and motorists are warned to drive slowly. (TREACHERY)

Use the words from the box in the below sentences.

to collaborate scoundrel to decree unscathed machinations to muzzle

- They _____ an end to discrimination on grounds of age.
- Her husband died in the accident and she, amazingly, escaped _____.
- A German company _____ with a Swiss firm to develop the product.
- He's an absolute _____ – he took our antique vase to get it valued and we haven't seen him since.
- Despite a commitment to more open government, the public are still being kept in the dark about the inner _____ of the Cabinet.
- The new Secrecy Act will _____ the media and the opposition (= prevent them from expressing independent opinions).

⁷ the example sentences have been taken or adopted from *Cambridge International Dictionary of English*