

## **Tamkeen Program**

Read the text and answer the questions.

### **The Box**

Can you open it for me, please? I want to know what's inside," Qasim asked.

"I can't. It's too difficult to open. This box looks very old," said Abdullah.

The day before, Saad called Abdullah and Qasim and said, "Are you two ready for another adventure?" They both agreed. "Great, shall we meet tomorrow at the bus stop?" he asked.

"Yes, will you text us the directions later? I hope that it won't be too hot," Abdullah said.

Qasim was excited. It's always fun when Saad comes over to my house, he thought. I'm glad I met him in Cycle 2. This adventure is going to be the best!

Saad wrote them the text, "Shall we get the bus at 8am? To get there from my villa, you turn right and walk to the end of the road, turn on to the big road and you'll see it. Before we meet, I'm going to go to the shop to get water and check the weather."

They travelled a while, then the bus arrived at the last stop. When they got off, the boys were going down a small road, pointing to a large ghaf tree. Saad said, "That's where we're going, boys. When I went inside the coffee shop, I heard an old man talking. He said that a long time ago, people buried things near the tree. They wanted to keep them safe when they travelled. They dug them up later when they were going back home. Some boxes might still be there!"

The boys got to the tree and started digging. Soon, they saw something in the sand. It was a box.

1. The boys are trying to see .....

- What's in the box
- if the box is hard to open
- How old the box is



2. Who will be giving them the directions?

- Abdullah
- Qasim
- Saad





3. What is Abdullah worried about?

- The directions
- The weather
- The bus journey

4. How did the boys first meet? (Bonus)

- as they were visiting a home
- When they were going cycling
- While they were studying together

5. What made Qasim happy?

- Waiting to go on an exciting journey
- Thinking about school
- Going to a friend's house



6. Why will Saad go out before the adventure?

- to send the group a message
- to get the bus to his villa
- to see if the weather is good

7. Why did the boys go searching under the ghaf tree?

- An old man wanted to keep something safe
- Saad buried something near the tree
- Saad heard a story at a shop

8. What is the text about?

- best friends going on an adventure
- how to find a ghaf tree in the desert
- an old man who lost a box by a tree

