

Cleveland Eneas Primary
Reading Comprehension
Classwork # 1
Skill: Main Idea and Supporting Details

Name: _____

Date: _____

DIRECTIONS

Read each passage. Then read each question about the passage. Answer each question using your own words. Remember **ALL** answers must come from the passage. If you are not sure about the answer to a question, do the best you can but do not spend too much time on any one question. Answer in proper sentences where necessary.

Passage 1

KEEP THE BAHAMAS CLEAN!

Don't litter the beaches
and our beautiful
aquamarine water.

Marking on walls and
buildings is disrespectful.

**Keeping The Bahamas clean
is the responsibility of ALL!**

Smoke and sprays pollute the
air!

Don't play the fool!
Litter on the streets does
NOT look cool!

**THE BAHAMAS IS OUR HOME. REMEMBER, CLEANLINESS IS NEXT
TO GODLINESS.**

1. What is the main idea of the flyer? [1mark]

2. 'Watch out how you pollute the air!' In this sentence pollute means: [1mark]

(A) Clean (B) cool (C) dirty (D) heat

3. 'Don't litter the beaches.' In this sentence **litter** means:

- (A) to burn tires
(B) to clean up
(C) to have picnics
(D) to throw garbage on

[1mark]

4. John sprayed red paint on his neighbor's house. The word from the poster that describes his behavior is _____. [1mark]

- (A) cool (B) disrespectful (C) litter (D) pollute

5. Which **ONE** of the following could be another suitable title for the poster?

- (A) Keep Miami Clean
(B) Keep Our Islands Clean
(C) Keep The Caribbean Clean
(D) Clean Up The World [1mark]

6. 'Don't play the fool!' This sentence means:

- (A) Litter looks foolish on the streets.
(B) Litter plays the fool on the streets.
(C) People who litter are acting stupidly.
(D) People who litter are just playing around. [1mark]

7. The poster describes the sea as:

- (A) beautiful and blue
(B) lovely and deep
(C) salty and lovely
(D) shallow and beautiful [1mark]

8. According to the poster, write **ONE** way in which people pollute the air.

[1mark]

9. According to the poster, why should we keep The Bahamas clean?

[1mark]

Passage 2

Poem: FALLING ASLEEP IN CLASS

By: Ken Nesbitt

I fell asleep in class today,
As I was awfully bored.
I laid my head upon my desk
And closed my eyes and snored.

I woke to find a piece of paper
Sticking to my face.
I'd slobbered on my textbooks,
And my hair was a disgrace.

My clothes were badly rumpled,
And my eyes were glazed and red.
My folder left a three-ring
Indention on my head.

I slept through class, and probably
I would have slept some more,
Except my students woke me
As they headed out the door.

1. Why was the poet sleeping in class?

[1mark]

2. Was the poet sleeping quietly? Give evidence from the poem to support your answer.

[2marks]

3. "My folder left a three-ring indention on my head". Write another word that means the same as **'indention'**.

[1mark]

4. At what time during the class was the poet awakened?

[1mark]

5a. Who was the person sleeping in class?

[1mark]

5b. Give evidence to support your answer.

[1mark]
