

# Reading



## A Read Nathan's description of a perfect day and holiday.

Hi, I'm Nathan. In 2010, I visited South Africa with my family. My mum and dad lived there many years before I was born and they wanted to go back to see friends. It was my first visit and I was very excited. We visited the city of Cape Town and Sun City waterpark with its amazing waterslides. We drove along the coast to a place called l'Alguilhas, which has a typical red and white lighthouse. It is also the place where the Pacific and the Indian Ocean meet. Sometimes you can see sharks here but we didn't this time.

I loved all these places but Moholoholo Wildlife Rehabilitation Centre was my favourite place.

It's a centre that takes care of animals that are endangered, abandoned, hurt or poisoned. When the animals are better they go back into the wild but some animals have many problems and stay at the centre.

I saw a honey badger for the first time. It's a mammal that looks very scary but it is very clever. It climbed up the gate and opened it with its claws!

But the day was special because I walked with an eagle on my arm and felt a leopard's soft fur. I met a baby rhinoceros that was as cute as a kitten and I learned how important it is to look after our wildlife. It was a perfect day and a perfect holiday.

## B Complete the Exam Task.

### Exam Task

Complete the telephone conversation between Nathan and his best friend, Joe. What does Joe say to Nathan? Choose the correct answer (A–K). There are three letters you do not need to use.

Joe: Hi, Nathan. You're back home!  
Nathan: (1) \_\_\_\_\_  
Joe: Did you have a good time in South Africa?  
Nathan: (2) \_\_\_\_\_  
Joe: What did you do?  
Nathan: (3) \_\_\_\_\_  
Joe: What was your favourite place?  
Nathan: (4) \_\_\_\_\_  
Joe: Moholoholo? What's that?  
Nathan: (5) \_\_\_\_\_  
Joe: Why was it special?  
Nathan: (6) \_\_\_\_\_  
Joe: It sounds like school! Have you got any photos?  
Nathan: (7) \_\_\_\_\_  
Joe: Let's meet up and you can show me.  
Nathan: (8) \_\_\_\_\_  
Joe: Yes!

A It's a wildlife centre that looks after animals.  
B Were you free yesterday?  
C Because I learned a lot about wild animals.  
D Yes, I got back last night.  
E This is my favourite place.  
F I've got hundreds!  
G Yes, it was amazing!  
H It was Moholoholo.  
J Good idea. Are you free now?  
K We visited lots of great places.

(\_\_\_\_ / 8 marks)

# Vocabulary and Use your English

## A Read the descriptions. Complete the animal-related words.

1 A snake can kill you with this.	p -----
2 This type of animal doesn't eat meat.	h -----
3 This type of animal only eats meat and fish.	c -----
4 This type of animal has dry scales on its body.	r -----
5 This type of animal has feathers on its body.	b -----
6 This type of animal swims in water using its fins.	f -----
7 This type of animal eats other animals.	p -----
8 This bird can run very fast but can't fly.	o -----
9 This is a disguise to help animals hide.	c -----
10 This gives a tortoise or a snail protection.	s -----

(\_\_ / 10 marks)

## B Circle the correct verbs.

- 1 Everybody **had** / **took** fun today at the snow park.
- 2 I **had** / **took** a hundred photos at the wildlife park yesterday!
- 3 We can **have** / **take** the train or the bus to the waterpark.
- 4 I love **having** / **taking** ice-cream on holiday.
- 5 Elena is very shy and never **has** / **takes** part in competitions.
- 6 Let's **have** / **take** turns to take the dog for a walk; you go in the morning and I will go in the afternoon.
- 7 Can I **have** / **take** a go at riding the quad bike?
- 8 The children love **having** / **taking** picnics in the summer.

(\_\_ / 8 marks)

## C Complete the sentences with these words.

colourful dangerous endangered heavy poisonous tiny

- 1 Your hamster is \_\_\_\_\_. I can't see it!
- 2 Humpback whales are a(n) \_\_\_\_\_ species. We need to protect them.
- 3 A rhinoceros is a(n) \_\_\_\_\_ animal.
- 4 Snakes, tarantulas and tree frogs are all \_\_\_\_\_ animals.
- 5 Lions and tigers are predators and are very \_\_\_\_\_.
- 6 Butterflies can be green, red, turquoise and orange ... they are very \_\_\_\_\_.

(\_\_ / 6 marks)

## D Complete the Exam Task.

### Exam Task

Read the sentences about Carla's day out. Choose the best word (A, B or C) for each answer.

- 1 Last month I \_\_\_\_\_ a wildlife park.  
A took      B went      C visited
- 2 A wildlife park is different \_\_\_\_\_ an amusement park. I learned a lot.  
A in      B as      C from
- 3 I \_\_\_\_\_ lots of photos because the animals were amazing.  
A took      B saw      C was
- 4 I saw a Komodo dragon there. It's a \_\_\_\_\_ with scales all over its body.  
A reptile      B mammal      C amphibian
- 5 But my favourite animals were the \_\_\_\_\_.  
A monkees      B monkeys      C monkies
- 6 Their long \_\_\_\_\_ helped them climb the trees.  
A fins      B tails      C beaks
- 7 And they ran up and down with their \_\_\_\_\_ on their backs.  
A baby      B baby's      C babies
- 8 We \_\_\_\_\_ a fantastic day and I hope we can go again soon!  
A had      B took      C went

(\_\_ / 8 marks)

# Grammar

## A Circle the correct words.

- 1 There was / were eight different waterslides.
- 2 Was / Were there many mammals at the wildlife park?
- 3 I didn't see / saw any lions or zebras.
- 4 We ate / eat at home last Sunday.
- 5 I study / studied Spanish two years ago.
- 6 Did you take / took your sister to the amusement park?
- 7 'Did Myra buy new earrings?' 'Yes, she did / bought.'
- 8 Why did you drive / drove out to the desert?

(   / 8 marks)

## B Complete the sentences with one word – the date today is Sunday 14th of May.

- 1 Yesterday was \_\_\_\_\_.
- 2 Three days ago it was \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3 Last month was \_\_\_\_\_.
- 4 Four months ago it was \_\_\_\_\_.
- 5 This year I'm fifteen years old. Three years ago I was \_\_\_\_\_ years old.

(   / 6 marks)

## C Use the underlined adjectives to write comparative sentences.

- 1 An elephant is heavy. It's \_\_\_\_\_ a horse.
- 2 A baby panda is cute. It's \_\_\_\_\_ a baby reptile.
- 3 An amusement park is noisy. It's \_\_\_\_\_ a snow park.
- 4 A butterfly is beautiful. It's \_\_\_\_\_ a tarantula.
- 5 A Komodo dragon is big. It's \_\_\_\_\_ an iguana.
- 6 A leopard is dangerous. It's \_\_\_\_\_ a hippopotamus.

(   / 6 marks)

## D Complete the Exam Task.

### Exam Task

Read the text about kite flying. Write **ONE** word for each space.

Kite flying is a serious hobby in many countries and it's my favourite hobby too. The Chinese started flying kites 2,800 years (1) \_\_\_\_\_. Kites in the past were heavier (2) \_\_\_\_\_ modern kites. Last year, (3) \_\_\_\_\_ April, I went to a kite festival in China. There (4) \_\_\_\_\_ a kite competition but I didn't (5) \_\_\_\_\_ part in the competition. I (6) \_\_\_\_\_ an ice-cream and watched hundreds of kites up in the sky. There were lots (7) \_\_\_\_\_ different shapes and sizes. They were all very creative and colourful. Some kites looked (8) \_\_\_\_\_ super-heroes, others looked like whales, octopuses and dragons. I (9) \_\_\_\_\_ a fantastic time and I bought two new kites that are very different (10) \_\_\_\_\_ the kites that I have at home.



(   / 10 marks)

**LIVE** **LIVEWORKSHEETS**

## Writing

### Complete the Writing Task.

### Exam Task

Read the email from Vicky to her friend Mario.

Hi Mario,  
I'm doing a project about wildlife and I want to ask you some questions about the wildlife park you visited last year.  
Why did you visit a wildlife park? What did you do there? What was your favourite animal?  
Email the answers as soon as you can!  
Thanks!  
Vicky

Write an email to Vicky and answer the questions. Write 25–35 words.

(\_\_\_\_ / 10 marks)