

**PASSAGE 1**

**HANNA'S BACK YARD**



Open your booklet so that pages 2 and 3 are showing. Look at questions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6. Listen and read along silently as the questions are read.

1. Bubble in the letters beside the **TWO** words from the list that name things that were found in the backyard.

(A) basketball court (B) pool (C) volleyball court (D) swings

[2 marks]

2. What was the name of the person who asked the children to play a game of soccer in the streets? Write your answer on the lines provided.

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[1 mark]

3. 'There was a loud bang! Mr. Rolle's windshield had a big hole in it.' What caused the hole in Mr. Rolle's windshield? Write your answer on the lines provided.

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[1 mark]

4. Bubble in the letter next to the correct answer. 'The children screamed and ran towards the backyard.' This sentence is telling you that:

- (A) the children were crying
- (B) the children were sad
- (C) the children were afraid
- (D) the children were playing

[1 mark]

5. Bubble in the letter next to the correct answer. 'A few minutes later, Mr. Rolle came to the front door with a bump on his head.' This statement is telling you that Mr. Rolle came to:

- (A) tell about the incident
- (B) take the children for a ride
- (C) complain to the children
- (D) give the children candies

[1 mark]

6. Read each statement below. Write 'T' if the statement is true and 'F' if the statement is false.

(A) The neighbour's children usually play in the backyard. \_\_\_\_\_

(B) It is safer to play in the backyard. \_\_\_\_\_

(C) Janet hit the ball into the street. \_\_\_\_\_

(D) The children love playing in the street. \_\_\_\_\_

[4marks]

[TOTAL 10 marks]

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**MESSAGE 2****THE BIG DAY**

Open your booklet so that pages 4 and 5 are showing. Look at questions 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12. Listen and read along silently as the questions are read.

1. Name **TWO** things that the writer did to prepare for the big day. Write your answers on the lines below.

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[2 marks]

2. Bubble in the letter next to the correct answer. 'The day had finally arrived and I was sure that I was ready.' In this sentence '**arrived**' means:

- (A) departed
- (B) come
- (C) went
- (D) travelled

[1 mark]

3. Bubble in the letter next to the correct answer. In the last sentence of the first paragraph, the beating of the boy's heart is compared to:

- (A) a goat
- (B) cowbells
- (C) clapping
- (D) a drum beat

[1 mark]

10. Bubble in the letters next to the correct answers. Which **TWO** statements below tell what made the writer feel confused?

- (A) The exam was on the desk.
- (B) The pages were blank.
- (C) He got up early to study.
- (D) He was alone in the room.

[2 marks]

11. Bubble in the letter next to the correct answer. Who said the words 'You may begin'?

- (A) Tom's mother
- (B) Tom's teacher
- (C) Tom's neighbour
- (D) Tom's best friend

[1 mark]

12. Tom heard his mother say, 'Tom get out of bed!' This statement is telling us that the writer was:

- (A) playing
- (B) sleeping
- (C) reading
- (D) writing

[1 mark]

**[TOTAL 8 marks]**

**[STOP]**

PASSAGE 3

THE BATTLE OF THE BEES



Open your booklet so that only pages 6 and 7 are showing. Look at questions 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18 and 19. Listen and read along silently as the questions are read.

13. What is the poem telling you about? Write your answer on the lines below.

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[1 mark]

14. Bubble in the letter next to the correct answer. 'Contestants, take your places.' In this statement, **contestants** mean:

- (A) singers
- (B) dancers
- (C) spellers
- (D) teachers

[1 mark]

15. Bubble in the letters next to the correct answers. Which **TWO** statements tell that the contestants were nervous?

- (A) They were shaking their heads.
- (B) They were shaking their legs.
- (C) They were biting their nails.
- (D) They were tapping their toes.

[2 marks]

16. Bubble in the letter next to the correct answer. 'Finally, the battle of words begins.' In this statement, 'battle of words' refers to:

- (A) the bees buzzing
- (B) the bees fighting
- (C) the students wrestling
- (D) the students competing

[1 mark]

17. Where did the contestants come from? Write your answer on the lines below.

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[1 mark]

18. Bubble in the letter next to the correct answer. 'Easy words, hard words seen and unseen words too.' This statement is telling us that the competition was:

- (A) long and easy
- (B) long and hard
- (C) short and easy
- (D) short and hard

[1 mark]

19. Bubble in the letter next to the correct answer. 'The game is over and a new champion is born.' From this statement you can tell that:

- (A) a new baby was born
- (B) all contestants were champions
- (C) the bees became champions
- (D) a new person won the competition

[1 mark]

[TOTAL 8 Marks]  
[STOP]

**PASSAGE 4**

**THE BIG SURPRISE**



Open your booklet so that only pages 8 and 9 are showing. Look at questions 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27 and 28. Listen and read along silently as the questions are read.

20. Bubble in the letter next to the correct answer. Where did the event take place?

- (A) the music room
- (B) the library
- (C) the auditorium
- (D) the playground

[1 mark]

21. Bubble in the letter next to the correct answer. 'Rumors began to surface that a special guest was coming to visit the school. In this sentence, 'surface' means:

- (A) run
- (B) swim
- (C) stay
- (D) spread

[1 mark]

22. What kind of music filled the air? Write your answer on the lines below.

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[1 mark]

23. Bubble in the letter next to the correct answer. 'When the children heard the music, they jumped out of their seats and screamed.' This sentence is telling us that:

- (A) the children were afraid.
- (B) the children did not like the music.
- (C) the children were having fun.
- (D) the children were unhappy.

[1 mark]

24. Bubble in the letters next to the correct answers. Charlie threw candies and mini toys into the crowd. Which **TWO** words mean the same as **mini**?

- (A) small
- (B) huge
- (C) little
- (D) large

[2 marks]

25. Bubble in the letter next to the correct answer. 'But it was all a mystery.' In this sentence, '**mystery**' means:

- (A) fairy tales
- (B) a special plan
- (C) something unknown
- (D) a trick

[1 mark]

26. Bubble in the letters next to the correct answers. Which **TWO** words best describe Charlie?

- (A) feathery
- (B) short
- (C) lazy
- (D) yellow

[2 marks]

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27. Bubble in the letter next to the correct answer. What could be another suitable title for the story?

- (A) Charlie's Guitar Lesson
- (B) Charlie's Dance Troupe
- (C) A Celebration with Charlie
- (D) Follow the Leader

[1 mark]

28. Using the numbers 1, 2, 3, and 4, put the following sentences in the order that the events happened in the story.

- \_\_\_\_\_ Charlie sang songs.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Charlie entered the auditorium.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Charlie threw candies into the air.
- \_\_\_\_\_ The children played on Charlie's guitar.

[4 marks]

[TOTAL 14 marks]

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