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Entrance Examination 2017
English Section B - Comprehension
Comprehension Answer Booklet

45 minutes + 5 minutes reading time

Do not open this booklet until told to do so

Write your names, school and candidate number in the spaces provided at the top of this page.

You will find the comprehension questions in this booklet. The comprehension passage is on a separate green sheet.

Read through both the passage and all the questions before you write anything at all. You should spend at least five minutes reading and thinking.

Write your answers in the spaces provided after each question. If you run out of space for an answer use the space provided at the end of this booklet, numbering your answer carefully. Your answers should be based on the passage alone.

You have 45 minutes plus 5 minutes reading time for this Comprehension which is worth 50 marks.

Write your answers in the spaces provided after each question. If you run out of space for an answer use the space provided at the end of this booklet, numbering your answer carefully.

1. Faith's father is impatient in line 3.

   a. What does he do that shows he is impatient? [1 mark]

   b. Explain fully in your own words why the father is so impatient with Faith. [2 marks]

2. Look at lines 1-10. The mood is disturbing. Find two pieces of evidence that show this. Then **explain carefully** why each example might seem disturbing. [5 marks]

3. We are told in line 13 that her father ‘drew in breath through his teeth’. Explain why you think he does this. [2 marks]

4. The sea and the cliffs are described in lines 14-16.

a) We are told that the white foam looks like ‘scars’. Explain why the foam might look like this. [2 marks]

b) Explain why the cliffs are said to look like ‘giant bites taken out of the sky.’ [2 marks]

5. On line 18, ‘Faith’s father tensed’.

a) Write down two of the ways in which we can tell he is tense. [2 marks]

5. b) Explain in your own words the reason he feels tense. [2 marks]

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6. The father ‘nodded to himself’ on line 23. Explain why you think he does this. [2 marks]

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7. Looking at lines 14 to 25, find two pieces of evidence that show the wind is strong. [2 marks]

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8. In lines 34-43 the boat goes out into deeper waters. How is the sea made to seem dangerous? Find two pieces of evidence **and** explain your reasons for choosing these pieces of evidence. [5 marks]

9. We are told on line 47 that ‘the sky went out like a lamp’. Explain why you think this is. [3 marks]

10. On line 57 we are told that Faith was ‘no longer cold’. Explain why you think this is. [2 marks]

11. On line 69, Faith's father asks her if her boots are wet.

a) Why does Faith think her father asks her this? [2 marks]

b) Why do you think he **really** asks her whether her boots are wet? [2 marks]

12. Write down three of the ways Faith suffers physically in the passage as a whole. [3 marks]

13. Faith's father exerts authority over her. Find two examples in the passage of different ways he talks or acts that give this impression. Then **explain carefully** why these examples make him seem authoritative. [5 marks]

14. Faith experiences a range of emotions in the passage, both about her father and about the journey they undertake. Write down three of the feelings she experiences, and **explain in your own words** what causes each. [6 marks]

This is the end of the Examination

Use any remaining time to check your work or try any questions you have not answered.

Extra Space for Answers

Remember to write down the number of the question you are working on.