



ST NICHOLAS COLLEGE
HALF YEARLY PRIMARY EXAMINATIONS
February 2013

YEAR 5

ENGLISH (Listening Comprehension) TIME: 30 minutes

TEACHER'S COPY

Guidelines for the conduct of the Listening Comprehension Examination
ALL INSTRUCTIONS ARE TO BE GIVEN IN ENGLISH

- a) 4 minutes - First reading aloud of text by teacher
- b) 4 minutes - Teacher reads out the questions
- c) 4 minutes - Second reading aloud of text by teacher
- d) 8 minutes - Students answer the questions
- e) 4 minutes - Third reading aloud of text by teacher
- f) 6 minutes - Final revision of answers by students

Resources

Teacher: Reading Text and Questions Each student: Pen and Examination Paper
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Introduction

The teacher in charge distributes the examination papers to the students and asks them to write their name, surname and class on the front cover.

THE TEACHER TELLS THE STUDENTS TO FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS ON THE FRONT PAGE OF THE EXMINATION PAPER (STUDENT'S COPY) AS S/HE READS.

INSTRUCTIONS

1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Listen carefully as I read a text about <i>Becky's Dog</i>.• Do not answer the questions or write anything while I am reading.
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Open the examination paper and look at the questions.• I will read the questions to you once.
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Close the examination paper and listen carefully.• I will read the text a second time.• Do not write anything while I am reading.
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• You have eight minutes to answer questions 1 to 13.• In questions 1 to 11 tick only the correct answer.• In number 12 (a to e) tick to show whether each sentence is True or False.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In number 13 (a and b) complete each sentence.
5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> I will read the text to you a third time. You may complete any unanswered questions as I read.
6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You have now six minutes to check your answers, and complete any unanswered questions.

Questions 1 to 11 (1 mark each) = 11 marks

Question 12 (a to e) (1 mark each) = 5 marks

Question 13 (a to b) (2 marks each) = 4 marks

TOTAL: 20 MARKS

Becky's Dog

1. Becky loved her dog, Max. He was her very best friend. He was a mixture of breeds and a mixture of colours. He had long legs, a short tail and long hair. He followed Becky everywhere.
2. When Becky took Max for a walk he was obedient and gentle - unless Becky was in danger. Then he became a raging tornado.
3. One day, Becky took Max to the park across the road. It was a big, open park but Becky's mum could watch them both from the kitchen window. She also knew that her daughter would be safe as long as her faithful dog was with her.
4. Becky and Max were playing with a ball when two stray dogs came into the park. They were big and fierce and ran towards Becky. Max dropped the ball and stood in their way.
5. Unable to get to Becky they attacked Max instead. Max was a tough fighter and well able to stand up for himself. The noise frightened Becky, but she was able to run away, across the road to her mother.
6. Becky was safe, but what about Max?
7. Becky called to him, "Max! Max! Here boy!"
8. There was no answering bark. No excited dog ran to her. Everything was silent in the park. Max was gone.
9. Becky looked for Max all day long. Her mum helped, and even her dad when he came home. But there was no sign of the lost dog. Something must be wrong.
10. "Maybe he chased the strange dogs and has got lost," Dad said. "Max is bright, though. He'll find his way home."

11. Becky did not sleep very well that night. She kept thinking of Max. Was he hurt? Would he ever come home?

12. Early in the morning she crept out of bed and went down to check outside the front door. Something muddy and rather battered was sitting on the mat. It wagged its stubby tail as Becky shrieked with delight.

Tick (✓) the correct word, phrase or sentence to answer the questions.

1. What was the name of Becky's dog?

- a) Ken
- b) Max
- c) Ben

2. What was his colour?

- a) He was dark brown.
- b) He was a mixture of colours.
- c) He was snowy white.

3. Where did Becky take her dog?

- a) to the park
- b) to her grandma's
- c) to the vet

4. With what were Becky and her dog playing?

- a) with a stick
- b) with a rag doll
- c) with a ball

5. Who came into the park?

- a) two stray dogs
- b) two strange men
- c) two strange people

6. What did Max do?

- a) He ran away.
- b) He hid behind Becky.
- c) He stood in their way.

7. What did Becky do?

- a) She ran away.
- b) She fought the dogs.
- c) She defended Max.

8. Who helped Becky look for her dog?

- a) her cousins
- b) her friends
- c) her mum and dad

9. Becky's dad thought that Max was a

- a) bright dog.
- b) fierce dog.
- c) gentle dog.

10. Becky did not sleep very well that night because

- a) she was cold.
- b) she had fever.
- c) she kept thinking of Max.

11. When Becky went to check outside the front door she saw

- a) her cat.
- b) her dog.
- c) the two stray dogs.

(11 marks)

12. Put a tick (✓) to show whether each sentence is TRUE or FALSE.

	True	False
a) Max was Becky's very best friend.		
b) Max became a raging tornado when Becky was in danger.		
c) Becky's mum always went with Becky and Max to the park.		
d) Max was a disobedient dog.		
e) Max was a tough fighter.		

(5 marks)

13. Complete these two sentences.

a) Becky was worried about her dog Max because

b) At the end of the story Becky shrieked with delight when

(4 marks)

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