

**End of Primary Benchmark
Second Session - 2021
English – Reading Comprehension – Marking Scheme**

Reading Comprehension 1

(8 marks)

1.

4 x ½ mark = 2 marks

- a) on horseback
- b) at the stables
- c) peaceful
- d) after

2.

6 x ½ mark = 3 marks

	T	F
a)	✓	
b)		✓
c)		✓
d)	✓	
e)		✓
f)	✓	

3.

6 x ½ mark = 3 marks

If more than 6 activities are ticked, the first six ticked horizontally count.

bond with horses	✓	ride ponies	✓
go on a 30-minute walk		feed horses	✓
enjoy sunset	✓	cook a meal	
learn how to brush horses	✓	sweep the stable	
ride a bike		ask for information	✓

Reading Comprehension 2

(22 marks)

- Do not deduct marks for spelling, punctuation and grammar mistakes as long as the student gives sufficient evidence of understanding.
- Answers do not need to be in complete sentences.
- Deduct ½ mark for any irrelevant information.

Questions on Section 1

(9 marks)

1. a) in the early morning 1 mark
2. a) arm in arm Do not accept phrases which have more than 3 words. 1 mark
- b) dense 1 mark

3. 4 x ½ mark = 2 marks

	T	F
a)		✓
b)		✓
c)	✓	
d)	✓	

4. a) strong ½ mark
- b) quite ½ mark

5. If more than three sentences are ticked, the first three count. 3 marks

a) Mr Tumnus and Lucy walked through the forest.	✓
b) Mr Tumnus and Lucy walked through scorched, sunny areas.	
c) Mr Tumnus and Lucy walked past mossy walls.	
d) Mr Tumnus and Lucy walked through shrubs and bushes.	✓
e) Mr Tumnus and Lucy reached a place where the ground became rough and rocky.	✓
f) Mr Tumnus and Lucy walked through muddy puddles.	

Questions on Section 2

(9 marks)

6. Lucy had aching feet./Lucy was panting and blowing./Lucy was wondering whether she could really get to the top without another long rest.

1 mark

7. a) pleasant

½ mark

b) lovely

½ mark

8. blinking

½ mark

9.

4 x ½ mark = 2 marks

	T	F
a)		✓
b)	✓	
c)	✓	
d)		✓

10. Accept any answers which suggest the following:

2 marks

- There was a warm glow/light.
- Shadows were moving on the walls

11. fragrant

½ mark

12. If more than two answers are ticked, the first two count.

2 marks

a) lit the fireplace.	
b) drank a cup of tea.	
c) looked at the furniture around her.	✓
d) sat down at the table.	
e) listened to the stories that Mr Tumnus told her.	✓

Questions on two sections

(4 marks)

13.

2 marks

Lucy loved the cave she was in.	5
Lucy felt almost breathless as she walked uphill.	3
Lucy was amazed by the scenery around her.	1
Lucy doubted she would make it to the top without stopping to rest.	4
Lucy was quiet and dreamy.	2

14. a) *fantasy*

2 x 1 mark = 2 marks

b) Accept any answer which refers to Mr Tumnus/the Faun's human like qualities:

- Mr Tumnus is a strange creature with hooves for feet and a twitchy tail.
- Mr Tumnus is a Faun.
- Mr Tumnus is a strange creature who behaves like a human.
- Lucy speaks to/goes on a journey with a Faun/strange creature.
- Lucy joins Mr Tumnus in his cave, with its fire, tiny furniture and a picture of the Faun.

The answers in a) and b) have to complement each other for the 2 marks to be awarded.