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Annual Examinations for Primary Schools 2016

Year 5

ENGLISH
(Listening Comprehension)

Time: 30 minutes

Name: _____

Class: _____

Total: _____ MARKS

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

1. Where is NASA's Curiosity Rover?

- a) on planet Earth
- b) on planet Mars
- c) inside a science lab
- d) inside a spaceship

a)
b)
c)
d)

2. What is the Curiosity Rover programmed to do?

- a) take photographs and videos
- b) write stories about planets
- c) interpret pictures
- d) hunt for mice

a)
b)
c)
d)

3. What did the robot spot?

- a) an Unidentified Flying Object
- b) a three-headed fish
- c) the shape of a mouse
- d) the shape of a car

a)
b)
c)
d)

4. Who posted the pictures on the online channel?

- a) a professional astronomer
- b) an amateur astronomer
- c) a clever cameraperson
- d) a Martian

a)
b)
c)
d)

5. Why should space lovers hold on to their hats?

- a) because the image shows a real rodent
- b) because the image shows a real jerboa
- c) because the image is a true picture of a mouse
- d) because the image is a fabrication of our imagination

a)
b)
c)
d)

6. Since when has the robot been on Mars?

- a) since 2015
- b) since 2014
- c) since 2013
- d) since 2012

a)
b)
c)
d)

7. How large is the robot?

- a) as big as a plane
- b) as big as a car
- c) larger than a tower
- d) smaller than a bike

a)
b)
c)
d)

8. Which part of the red planet have scientists been investigating?

- a) Redi Crater
- b) Eagle Crater
- c) Gale Crater
- d) Goba Crater

a)
b)
c)
d)

9. Why did scientists believe it was impossible to live on Mars?

- a) because of its thick atmosphere and hot temperatures
- b) because of its dense air and very high temperatures
- c) because of its heavy air and warm temperatures
- d) because of its thin atmosphere and freezing temperatures

a)
b)
c)
d)

10. What made scientists change their minds in September 2015?

- a) They found no water on the planet's surface.
- b) They found rocks on the planet's surface.
- c) They found salt water on the planet's surface.
- d) They found fresh water on the planet's surface.

a)
b)
c)
d)

(10 × 1 mark = 10 marks)

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

	TRUE	FALSE
a) Scientists have long been asking if there is life on Mars.		
b) The Curiosity Rover is a toy robot.		
c) The Martian landscape is usually inhabited by critters.		
d) Joe White used the Internet to share the images.		
e) A jerboa is a rodent with a short tail.		
f) The red planet has an old meteor site.		
g) The temperature on Mars can be colder than minus 100 °C.		
h) There could be living things on Mars.		

(8 × ½ mark = 4 marks)

12. Fill in the blanks with a suitable WORD.

- a) The robot was _____ the rocky landscape when it spotted something rather _____.
- b) The thing looked like a _____ large mouse. It _____ furry.
- c) Life on Mars _____ have a form _____ than that of a mouse.

(3 × 2 marks = 6 marks)

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