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Year 4
ENGLISH READING EXTRACTS BOOKLET

Name: _____

Class: _____

Reading Task 1

Read the following text. Answer all the questions in the Answers Booklet.

World Climate Zones	
Desert Climates	Mediterranean Climates
	
Desert climates have got very hot temperatures in summer and warm temperatures in winter. It doesn't rain very often.	Mediterranean climates have got mild temperatures in winter and hot temperatures in summer. Winters are usually wet and summers are dry.
Tropical Climates	Polar Climates
	
Tropical climates have got warm temperatures and a lot of rain all year round. There is no difference between summer and winter.	Polar climates have got freezing temperatures all year round. There isn't much rain. Winters are long and dark. Summers are short and not very warm.

Adapted from *iWonder 4 Pupil's Book*

Reading Task 2

Read the following passage. Answer all the questions in the Answers Booklet.

Saturday

Today was my birthday, and I guess things went more or less like I expected. The relatives started showing up around 1:00. I asked Mum to invite as many people as possible so I could maximise my gift potential, and I got a pretty good turnout.

I like to cut to the chase on my birthday and get right to the gifts, so I told everyone to gather in the living room. I took my time with the cards, just like Mum asked. It was a little painful, but I got a good haul, so it was worth it.



I happily collected my cheques. Unfortunately, as soon as I did so, Mum confiscated the money to pay off the bill of unpaid fruit smoothies Rowley and I had consumed the other day at the country-club.

Then I moved on to the wrapped presents, but there weren't a whole lot of those. The first gift, from Mum and Dad, was small and heavy, which I thought was a good sign. But I was still pretty shocked when I opened it.

When I looked more closely, I found out it wasn't an ordinary mobile phone. It was called a "Ladybug". The phone didn't have a keypad on it or anything. It only had two buttons: one to call home and one for emergencies. So it's pretty much useless.



All my other gifts were clothes and other stuff I didn't really need. I was still hoping I might get that recliner, but once I realised that there weren't any places Mum and Dad could be hiding a giant leather chair, I gave up looking.

Then Mum told everyone it was time to go into the dining room to have some cake. Unfortunately, Uncle Joe's dog **Killer** had **beaten us to it**.



I was hoping Mum would go out and get me a new cake, but she just took a knife and cut away the parts the dog didn't touch. Mum cut me a big piece, but by that point I wasn't really in the mood for cake. Especially not with Killer throwing up little birthday candles under the table.

Adapted from Diary of a Wimpy Kid Dog Days