



Annual Examinations for Middle Schools 2023

YEAR 8

ENGLISH SOURCE BOOKLET

In this booklet, you will find the texts which you need to read to be able to answer the reading comprehension and literature questions in the Main Paper.

SOURCE A

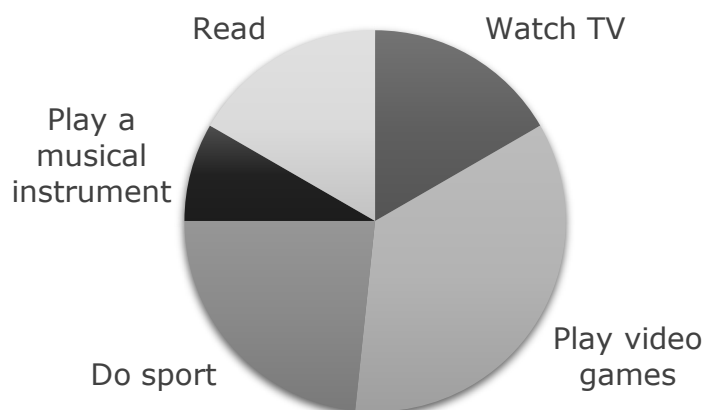
BAKEWELL YOUTH CENTRE NEWSLETTER

May 2023

Leisure Time!

Bakewell Youth Centre is organising a summer club for young people. Our team asked 60 youngsters to answer an online survey. The chart below shows how 11 to 13-year-olds like to spend their free time during the year. This year's summer club activities are planned according to these results.

How 11-13 year olds spend their leisure time



So prepare yourselves! It will be a summer packed with all the activities you love doing.

Maximum number of participants: 170

Venue: Bakewell Council Hall

For more information send us an email on **bakewellyouths@bmail.com**

SOURCE B

KIDS CLUB			
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Environment	Current Events	Entertainment	Sports
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Are you still unsure what to watch on TV this weekend? Well, let us give you a few ideas.

A.

The first episode of “Emily’s Wonder Lab” is airing next Saturday at 10am on MAX TV. Host Emily Cole teaches a group of kids how to make glowing paint. “Oh, no! I put too much starch in,” one of them says. “Don’t worry about it,” Emily tells them. “Remember, science is all about trial and error.”



Emily wants kids to know that failure is a vital part of learning science and it’s okay to mess up, because you’re still learning.

Emily has four degrees in science. On her show she and the children conduct experiments and do activities. In one episode, they run across a pool of a gooey material. In another, they create rainbow explosions.

B.

Tune in on Earth Today TV channel at 1.30pm to watch the IMAX documentary “Into America’s Wild”. This documentary follows a hiker, an astronaut, and a pilot, as they explore some of the country’s stunning sites.

Ariel Tweto is a pilot who takes part in this adventure. She loves to help other people connect with nature. “I believe that being outside helps you learn a lot of skills,” she says.



Ariel believes that children are keener to protect the environment if they spend time in the wild. Check the film’s website, <https://intoamericaswild.com/>, to see a photo gallery, learn about the filming locations, and find show times.

C.

If you sleep in on Saturday, you can still find something entertaining to watch. "Tom & Jerry: The Movie" is a remake of a classic cartoon. This new version mixes animation with live-action filming.



- 30 The film follows Tom, a cat, and Jerry, a naughty mouse, as they chase, trick, and trap each other. **Their** antics are funny and sometimes cause damage. When the movie begins, Jerry is enjoying a good life in one of New York's City's best hotels. He meets Kayla who is planning a wedding at the hotel. She
- 35 wants to make sure Jerry doesn't ruin **it** so she hires the perfect mouse hunter: Tom.

Tom and Jerry fight each other but as time goes on, they also have two other enemies: Spike the dog and Toots the cat. Soon, Tom and Jerry team up against **them** to save Kayla's job, the wedding, and the hotel.

- 40 People have rated this film an 8 out of 10. Many people said they like this new version because Tom and Jerry are 'frenemies'. They also loved the contrast between the cartoon characters and the live ones.

SOURCE C: UNSEEN POEM

Night Flight *by Laura Mucha*

Tonight I fancy a flight,
So I shuffle my short feathers
and jump.

Clusters of city lights
5 stretch, spread and sprawl
into sparkling starfish.

A whisper of clouds
tickles my feet.
A current lifts me like a leaf-

10 I float, I glide,
I hold my feathered wings out wide
and watch the world beneath.

The occasional plane passes.
The odd meteorite. Together,
15 we set the sky alight.

Flight is always best at night.