

DEPARTMENT FOR CURRICULUM,
LIFELONG LEARNING AND EMPLOYABILITY
Educational Assessment Unit

Annual Examinations for Primary Schools 2024

Year 5

ENGLISH
Reading and Writing
ANSWERS BOOKLET

Time: 1h 30min

Name: _____

Class: _____

Total: 60 marks

Marks				
Reading Task 1	Reading Task 2	Writing Task 1	Writing Task 2	Total
/10	/20	/10	/20	/60

Reading Task 1

(10 marks)

Read Reading Task 1 in the Extracts Booklet carefully. Answer ALL questions.

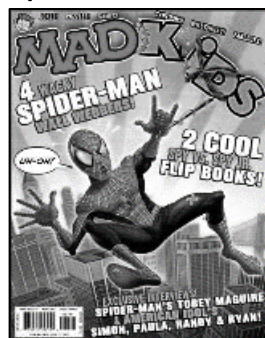
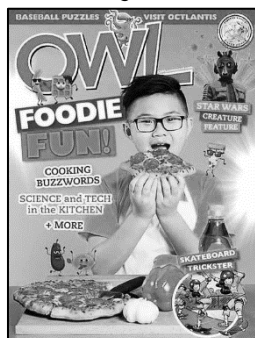
1. What is the purpose of this poster? Tick (✓) ONE.

(1 mark)

a.	To tell a story	
b.	To give information	
c.	To advertise a product	

2. In which magazine would you find this poster? Tick (✓) ONE.

(1 mark)



3. Fill in with the correct information from the text.

(4 marks)

a.	The number of active volcanoes on Earth.	
b.	An instrument that tells you how hot or cold something is.	
c.	The number of people living within 'danger range'.	million
d.	The name of the largest active volcano.	

4. Draw lines to make complete sentences.

(4 marks)

Deep under the ground, there is	•
Melted rock and gases burst out through	•
Hot lava can burn	•
The soil near volcanoes is	•

•	very good for plants.
•	hot melted rock, dust, and gases.
•	openings in the Earth's surface.
•	everything it touches.

Reading Task 2

(20 marks)

Read Reading Task 2 in the Extracts Booklet carefully. Answer ALL questions.

1. Tick (✓) the best answer.

(2 marks)

a. What was the little girl watching from the window?

i.	Birds	
ii.	Leaves	
iii.	Raindrops	

b. What caught the little girl's gaze as she watched the leaves fall?

i.	A yellow leaf	
ii.	A squirrel	
iii.	The neighbours	

c. Where did the yellow leaf land after sailing over the fence?

i.	On the ground.	
ii.	On the little girl's hand.	
iii.	On the lorry's windshield.	

d. What did the driver do after stopping the lorry?

i.	He called Mr Pinkerton from inside the lorry.	
ii.	He climbed out and knocked on Mr Pinkerton's door.	
iii.	He stayed in the lorry and looked at a map.	

2. Underline ONE word in the quotation below that suggests that the lady's movements were quick and exact.

(1 mark)

... the woman removed her high-heeled shoes, scooped them up and nimbly scaled Mr Pinkerton's fence.

3. 'The woman walked to the rear of the lorry...'

Tick (✓) **ONE** picture that shows the **rear** part of the vehicle.

(1 mark)

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4. Look at the end of paragraph 3.

'...and its contents seemed to be moving.'

What do you think was inside the basket?

(1 mark)

5. 'The woman, now minus the picnic basket, walked on by.' (par. 5)

Where did the woman put the picnic basket?

(1 mark)

6. Write down **THREE** things the girl did to tell her parents what was happening.

(3 marks)

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____

7. Look at paragraph 6.

Find **ONE** word that means the same as **walked**.

(1 mark)

8. Tick (✓) to show whether these sentences are True or False. (3 marks)

		True	False
a.	The lorry driver asked Mr Pinkerton for directions.		
b.	The woman had a scratch on her right cheek.		
c.	Ruby drew a leaf on her drawing book.		
d.	Ruby's parents did not notice what was happening outside.		
e.	The girl's family stayed inside the house the whole time.		
f.	The Twinford Crime Investigation Squad found the dog.		

9. In your opinion, what was the relationship between the elegant woman and the lorry driver? (1 mark)

10. 'The neighbours came spilling out onto the street...' (par. 6)
What does the phrase '**spilling out**' show? Tick (✓) ONE. (1 mark)

a.	The neighbours stayed indoors.	
b.	The neighbours came out in large numbers.	
c.	Only a few neighbours came out.	

11. What was revealed at the end of the passage? Tick (✓) ONE. (1 mark)

a.	Ruby Redfort found a mysterious treasure map.	
b.	The green picnic basket belonged to Mr Pinkerton.	
c.	Ruby Redfort decided to become a detective on that October day.	
d.	The elegant woman picked up the yellow leaf.	

12a. Where do you think this passage is found in the original book?

Tick (✓) ONE.

(1 mark)

i.	In the beginning	
ii.	In the middle	
iii.	At the end	

b. Give a reason for your answer.

(1 mark)

13. Think about how Ruby felt at different points in the story.

Continue this table and give evidence to support your answers.

The first one is done for you.

(2 marks)

		Feeling	Evidence
a.	When Ruby was looking out of the window, she felt...	curious	She studied and observed the falling leaves.
b.	When she tried to grab her parents' attention, she felt...		
c.	When she heard Mr Pinkerton's cry, she felt...		

END OF READING COMPREHENSION PAPER

Writing Task 1

(10 marks)

You are Alex. You are going to the cinema with your parents, and you can bring your friend Pat along. Write an email to your friend to invite him / her to the cinema. In your email:

- add a suitable subject to the email,
- write about your plans and invite your friend to join you,
- write something about the film you plan to watch,
- tell your friend where and at what time to meet.

Write between **40 and 50** words.

To: pats@welearn.edu.mt
From: alexb@welearn.edu.mt
Subject:
Send Cancel

Writing Task 2

(20 marks)

Choose either 1 or 2. Write between 100 and 140 words.

1. Write **a story** for the school magazine.

On a warm summer afternoon at the beach, you discover a half-buried glass bottle. Inside the bottle is a mysterious message. Continue the story.

Remember to organise your ideas into paragraphs.

OR

2. Your teacher asked you to write **a report** about a traditional celebration you like, to be published on the school website.

Organise your report using the following ideas:

- Introduction
- Decorations that are normally used
- Where the celebration takes place and who is involved
- Traditional food or sweets
- Conclusion

Use this space to plan your writing.

(0 marks)

Title number: _____

(20 marks)

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