Guidelines for the conduct of the Listening Comprehension Examination

ALL INSTRUCTIONS ARE TO BE GIVEN IN ENGLISH

a) 4 minutes – First reading aloud of passage by teacher
b) 4 minutes – Teacher reads out the questions
c) 4 minutes – Second reading aloud of passage by teacher
d) 7 minutes – Pupils answer questions
e) 4 minutes – Third reading aloud of passage by teacher
f) 7 minutes – Final revision of answers by pupils

**Introduction**

The teacher in charge distributes the examination papers to the pupils and asks them to write their name, surname and class on the front cover.

**THE TEACHER TELLS THE PUPILS TO FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS ON THE FRONT PAGE OF THE EXAMINATION PAPER (PUPIL’S COPY) AS S/HE READS.**

**INSTRUCTIONS**

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<td>1</td>
<td>Listen carefully as the teacher reads the story called <em>Eyes in the Night.</em> Do not answer the questions or write anything during the first reading.</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>Open the exam paper and look at the questions. The teacher will read the questions to you once.</td>
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<td>Close the exam paper and listen carefully. The teacher will read the story a second time. Do not write anything during the second reading.</td>
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<td>4</td>
<td>Open the exam paper. You have seven minutes to answer ALL questions. In section A, questions 1-8, mark only the correct answer. In section B, questions 1-8, mark only the correct answer (TRUE or FALSE). In section C, questions 1-7, fill in the missing word to complete each sentence.</td>
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<td>The teacher will read the passage to you a third time. You may complete any unanswered questions as the teacher is reading.</td>
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<td>You have now seven minutes to check your answers, and complete any unanswered questions.</td>
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Eyes in the Night

When Harry woke up, he didn’t know where he was. Everything was strange. Things in the room did not look familiar to him at first. Then he remembered: he was at grandmother’s house. His family was having a holiday at her house by the sea. They were staying there for a whole week and Harry was extremely excited! As Harry’s eyes adjusted to the darkness in the room he suddenly remembered why he awoke in the middle of this hot night. He was thirsty. He wanted a glass of water.

He was just about to get out of bed when he saw the eyes on the floor! They were yellow, big and round, with black slits in the middle. They were looking straight at him. They seemed to glow in the moonlight coming through the window. Harry’s heart was pounding in his chest! He was frozen in fear.

A monster! It must be a monster! Harry was very scared. He was too scared to call out for his mum or dad. He pulled the bedsheet right up to his nose. He watched the monster’s eyes. They were coming closer! The eyes were moving slowly. They rocked gently from side to side, like a snake! “It must be a giant snake,” thought Harry. He was terrified that he would be eaten up in his own bed!

The eyes came closer and closer. The monster was so close now that Harry could hear it. It made a funny, faint sort of rumbling sound. Harry opened his mouth to scream and the monster leaped! The yellow eyes flew through the air, straight at Harry! Then grandmother’s friendly, black cat, Thomas, landed on the bed. It licked Harry’s face and purred happily. “How did you get in here Thomas?” asked Harry feeling relieved. He felt silly about being so terrified only a few seconds before but at the same time, he was glad that it was only Thomas.

Adapted from: Comprehend It! Authors: Bruce Tuffin and Diane Henderson
SECTION A:
Mark the correct answer with a cross (X).
Only one answer is correct. The first one has been worked out for you. (7 marks)

1. The boy in the story is called
   a) Harry. X
   b) Henry.
   c) Barry.

2. Harry was at his
   a) friend’s house.
   b) cousin’s house.
   c) grandmother’s house.

3. Harry and his family were on holiday for
   a) a month.
   b) a week.
   c) a fortnight.

4. Harry awoke because he was
   a) scared.
   b) hungry.
   c) thirsty.

5. As Harry was getting out of bed, he saw
   a) a pair of eyes.
   b) a pair of shoes.
   c) a pair of glasses.

6. Harry thought the monster was
   a) a bat.
   b) a snake.
   c) a lion.

7. Grandmother’s cat was called
   a) Tim.
   b) Trevor.
   c) Thomas.

8. In the end, Harry felt
   a) happy.
   b) scared.
   c) sick.
SECTION B:
Answer TRUE or FALSE by marking with a cross (X).
The first one has been worked out for you. (7 marks)

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<td>At first, Harry didn’t know where he was.</td>
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<td>Grandmother’s house was in the countryside.</td>
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<td>Harry wanted a glass of milk.</td>
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<td>The monster moved so close that Harry could hear it.</td>
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<td>Harry pulled the bedsheets over his head.</td>
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SECTION C:
Fill in the blanks with one suitable word.
The first one has been worked out for you. (6 marks)

1. When Harry woke up, everything in the room was **strange**.
2. Grandmother’s house was by the ______________.
3. The temperature that night was _____________.
4. The eyes that Harry saw on the floor seemed to _____________ in the moonlight.
5. Harry was so scared that his __________ was pounding in his chest.
6. The monster made a faint sort of ______________ sound.
7. When the cat landed on the bed, it _____________ Harry’s face.