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Educational Assessment Unit

End of Primary Benchmark
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English – Reading Comprehension – Marking Scheme

Reading Comprehension 1

(6 marks)

1. **If more than one option is underlined, the sentence is to be marked as incorrect.**

- (a) funny (b) extraordinary (c) summer (d) during the night
(e) in the countryside (f) friend

½ mark each = 3 marks

2. (a) F (b) F (c) T (d) N

½ mark each = 2 marks

3. **Do not deduct marks for spelling mistakes.**

½ mark each = 1 mark

(a) adventures

(b) was mysteriously taken away / was kidnapped / disappeared

Reading Comprehension 2

(24 marks)

- **Do not deduct marks for spelling, punctuation and grammar mistakes as long as the student gives sufficient evidence of understanding.**
- **Answers do not need to be in complete sentences.**
- **Deduct ½ mark for any irrelevant information.**

Questions on Section 1

1. 24th July 1897

½ mark

2. (a) T (b) T (c) F (d) N (e) N (f) T

½ mark each = 3 marks

3. **Reward answers with the following content.**

He was nice because he helped them build the roller coaster.

1 mark

4. abused

½ mark

5. **Reward answers with the following content.**

It hurt her when she saw animals being abused.

1 mark

6. **If more than one option is underlined, the sentence is to be marked as incorrect.**

- (a) young (b) swing (c) dangerous (d) comfortable

1 mark each = 4 marks

Questions on Section 2

7. **Reward answers with the following content.**

She did so **to pay for her flying lessons and to buy her first plane.** $\frac{1}{2}$ mark each = 1 mark

8. **Reward answers with the following content.**

The Navy called off the search. **1 mark**

9. **Reward answers with the following content.**

The American Navy never found a trace of either **the plane or the pilots.**
 $\frac{1}{2}$ mark each = 1 mark

10. **If more than one option is underlined, the sentence is to be marked as incorrect.**

(a) less than (b) practical (c) sometimes (d) Nobody **1 mark each = 4 marks**

11. (a) T (b) T (c) N (d) T (e) F (f) N **$\frac{1}{2}$ mark each = 3 marks**

Questions on the whole passage

12. **Reward answers with the following content.**

... it made the flight dangerous.

OR ... she didn't know how high she was above the ocean. **1 mark**

13. (a) 3 (b) 2 (c) 6 (e) 5 (f) 4 **$\frac{1}{2}$ mark each = 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ marks**

14. Amelia's voice was described as frantic. **$\frac{1}{2}$ mark**