

A. COMPREHENSION

(30 marks)

Read the following passage and then answer the questions below:

The Snow Goose



Philip Rhayader lived by himself in an old lighthouse at the mouth of a river where he painted and photographed birds. Philip was a hunchback. At first the village people were afraid of him but they soon got used to him. However, no one found out that Philip was a kind and gentle man who loved all living creatures.

One afternoon a girl came to the door. It was November and Philip had been at the lighthouse for three years. The thought of knocking at the door filled her with fear. She had heard strange stories about the man who lived in the light house. But the reason she had come was more important than her fear: she had heard that this hunchback could make sick birds better.

“What do you want, little girl?” he asked gently.

She pushed out her arms, which held a large white bird. There was blood on its feathers and on the front of her dress. She gave the bird to him.

“I found it,” she said, so quietly that he could hardly hear her.

“It’s hurt. Is it still alive?”

“Yes. Yes, I think so,” he said, looking at it.

“Come in, child, come in.”



The girl still felt afraid but she went in, because she wanted to see inside the lighthouse. Philip put the bird on the table.

“What kind of bird is it?” she said.

“It’s a snow goose from Canada,” he told her. Then he said to himself in surprise: “I wonder how it came here?”

Underline the correct answer in questions (1) and (2).

1. Philip Rhayader lived (2 marks)

- a. in a castle.
- b. in a cottage.
- c. in an old lighthouse.
- d. in the forest.

2. Philip liked (2 marks)

- a. to fish.
- b. to frighten children.
- c. to shoot birds.
- d. to paint and photograph birds.

3. State whether the following statements are TRUE (T) or FALSE (F). (5 marks)

- a. Everyone knew that Philip was a kind man. _____
- b. The girl came to Philip's door early in the morning. _____
- c. She was terribly afraid of Philip. _____
- d. The bird which she held in her arms had blue feathers. _____
- e. The bird was still alive when she gave it to Philip. _____

4. Where was the lighthouse situated? (2 marks)

5. What sort of person was Philip Rhayader? (2 marks)

6. Why did the girl come to see Philip? (2 marks)

7. What sort of goose was it and from where did it come? (2 marks)

8. Find words or phrases from the first two paragraphs which have the same meaning as: (4 marks)

a. led a solitary life - _____

b. no one discovered - _____

c. fright - _____

d. unusual - _____

9. Grammar

a) Add a suitable adjective to these nouns (2marks)

(Do not use the same adjective)

(i) a _____ lighthouse (ii) a _____ bird

b) Give the opposite of: (3 marks)

(i) found - _____

(ii) kind - _____

(iii) inside - _____

c) Give the present tense of these verbs. (4marks)

(i) heard - _____

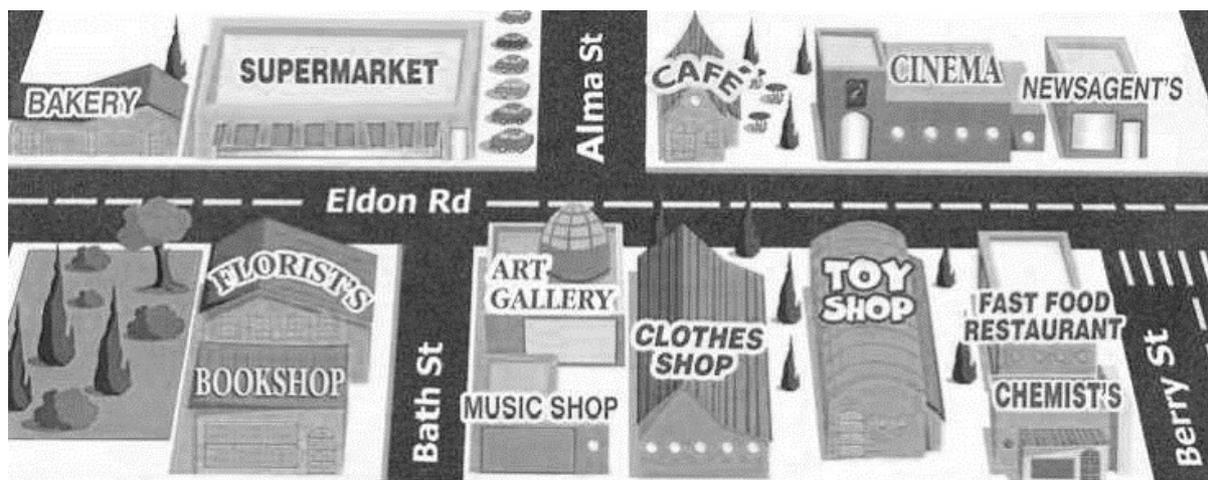
(iii) felt - _____

(ii) pushed - _____

(iv) thought - _____

B. WRITING

(10 marks)



1. Match the answers to the questions

(7 marks)

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| A | Where is the newsagent? | | It's opposite the clothes shop? |
| B | Where's the bakery? | | It's between the clothes shop and the fast food restaurant? |
| C | Where's the supermarket? | | It's behind the chemist's |
| D | Where's the gallery? | A | It's next to the cinema. |
| E | Where's the café? | | It's on the corner of Eldon Rd. and Alma St. |
| F | Where's the toy shop? | | It's next to the toy shop opposite the café. |
| G | Where's the restaurant? | | It's on the corner of Bath St. and Eldon Rd. |
| H | Where's the clothes shop? | | It's next to the Supermarket. |

2. Sally is at the book shop. Look at the map and give her the directions.

(3 marks)

Sally: Excuse me, can you tell me where the cinema is?

You: Yes. Go down _____

C. COMPOSITION

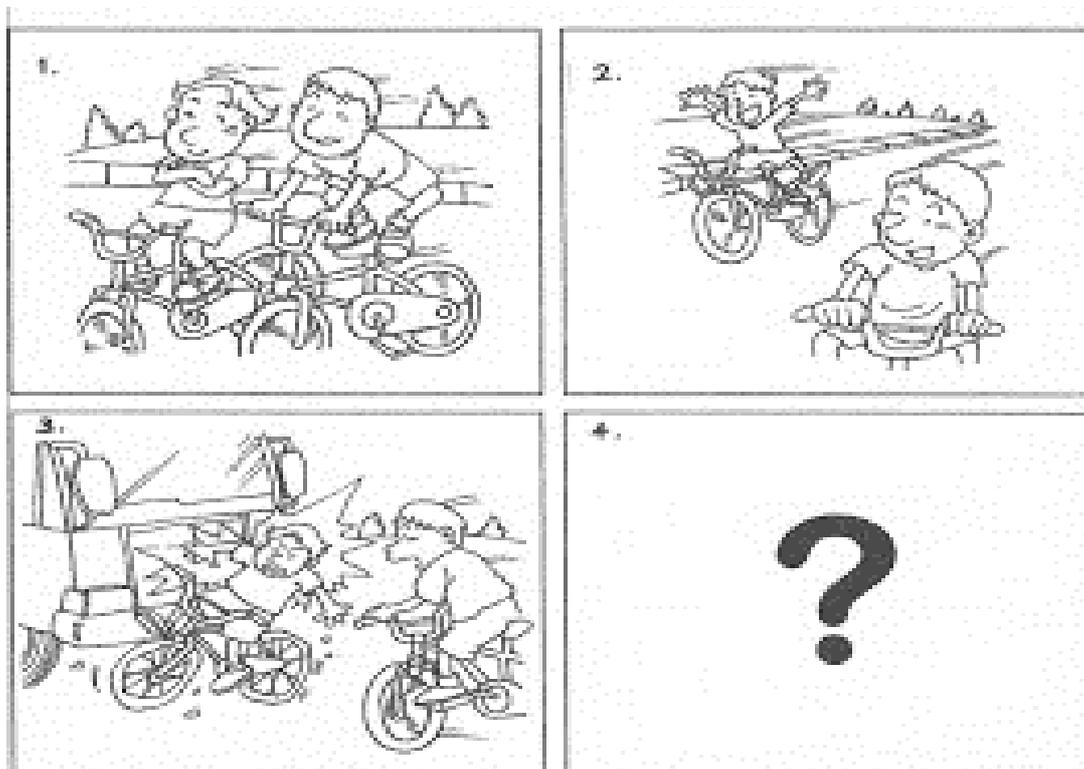
(20 marks)

Write about 120 words on **ONE** of the following.

1. **A monster came into your bedroom during the night.** Write about what it did, and what you ended up doing.

2. **Write about a person you admire most.** Is he a relative? Why do you admire him/her? Write about her/his character?

3. **Look at the picture below and write a story.** You may use the words in the box to help you.



Cycling, enjoy, stunts, dangerous, thrilling, lost control, on-coming truck, bleeding, knocked, severely injured.

4. **A Birthday Party.** Whose birthday was it? When? Where? How was the food and the decorations? Did you enjoy yourself?

