



TOM NEWBY SCHOOL EXAMINATION



Subject	English Paper 2: Comprehension and Language	Examiner	Miss L.S. Horvath
Date	9 June 2016	Total marks	40
Session	2	Duration	1h30mins
Grade	5	Moderator	Mrs A Singh
Special instructions/ Equipment	Dictionaries may not be used. Highlighters may be used.		

This Exam has been compiled using notes and information contained in the Tom Newby School book. The marking memorandum has been compiled accordingly. While alternative responses will be given due acknowledgement, the official memorandum will be considered a priority document to ensure uniformity of marking. Up to 10% of the total mark allocation may be deducted for spelling and grammatical errors, except in the case of Language papers, where deductions are made according to a memorandum. Time allocation on this examination includes provision for concession.

Name and Surname: _____

Grade: 5 _____

Instructions:

- This paper is made up of Section A: Comprehension (25 marks) and Section B: Language (15 marks).
- Read the comprehension questions FIRST and then read the text. Thereafter, answer the question. Refer to the text as many times as you need to in order to answer the questions correctly.
- Answer **ALL** questions on the question paper.
- Answer in full sentences, unless otherwise stated.
- Read all questions carefully and answer according to the mark allocation per question.
- Highlight important information.
- Marks will be deducted for spelling errors.
- Write neatly and legibly.
- Take your time and enjoy the paper.

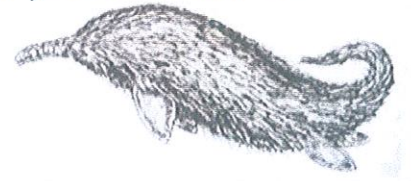


Best of luck!

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Section A: Comprehension (25 marks)

Read through the questions and then refer to the text before answering the questions. Read the text as many times as you need to for you to answer the questions correctly.



Questions:

1. What is the setting of the story?
_____ (1)
2. Describe Kongweni, in **three** full sentences.

_____ (3)
3. Why did Hugh name his farm *Margate*?
_____ (1)
4. **Explain** the word “Channel” as used in paragraph 2.

_____ (1)
5. What was Hugh’s plan for the land he had bought?

_____ (3)
6. What made Hugh look out at sea with his binoculars?

_____ (1)
7. What did Hugh see in the ocean?

_____ (2)

8. In **three** words, describe the sea monster. (3)

9. How long did the battle continue for? (1)

10. What happened to the 'strange victim'? (1)

11. Why did Hugh think that no one would believe him? (1)

12. Explain why Mr. Gillet had to apologise to Hugh? (1)

13. What do you think the writer is trying to say in the following line: "... seemingly bloodless, as if it were an albino creature." – Paragraph 4. (1)

14. What is a "corpse"? – Paragraph 4. (1)

15. What **problems** were the residents of *Margate* having with the washed-up monster's corpse? (2)

16. Do you think the story of 'The Margate Monster' was true or false? Give a reason for your answer. (2)

Comprehension: 25 marks

Text

The Margate Monster

- 1 The river which fed the little lagoon was locally known as Kongweni – “The beginning place”. Hugh Balance particularly liked the fine sandy beach, the safe swimming, the rocky edge of the bay used by fishermen and the paths twisting mysteriously through the stretches of the shady forest. It would be a pleasant place for him to live.
- 2 So, he bought a farm and named it *Margate*, after the popular seaside resort overlooking the English Channel. He divided his land, hoping to sell sections of it to people moving into the area, hoping it would grow into a sea-side town. Settlers were slow to arrive, as nobody had ever heard of *Margate* – and it was too far away from any of the other towns.
- 3 On one particularly odd day, Hugh saw something strange happening out at sea. He grabbed his binoculars, and, about a thousand meters off shore, the blue ocean was being lashed into foam. Huge, shiny, black heads merged out of the waves and enormous tail fins crashed. Hugh looked hard and saw two whales fiercely battling with what seemed to be a sea monster! It was huge, white and hairy. It reared high out the water, striking the whales with what appeared to be its tail. The battle continued for 3 hours, and then, suddenly, the whales swam away leaving the strange victim floating dead on the surface.
- 4 Hugh gaped with amazement - a sea monster right on his doorstep! The question was... Who would believe him? He ran to the small hut belonging to Mr.Gillet, to tell him what he'd seen. Mr.Gillet smiled and listened to the incredible story and obviously didn't believe Hugh. The next morning, he had to apologise, as the monster's corpse had been washed up on the shore. It was enormous; the body alone was about 14 meters long and at least 3 meters thick. The monster seemed to be covered in coarse white hair and it was pale, seemingly bloodless, as if it were an albino creature. What was it? Part whale, part elephant, part sea serpent... Mr.Gillet and the other residents of *Margate* came to stare and wonder. News spread rapidly and hundreds of visitors arrived to gape.
- 5 The monster was far too massive to move, so, there it lay until the stench was more than anyone in the town could handle. Then one morning, Hugh woke to find the beach empty. The tide must have washed the carcass away. The monster had vanished as mysteriously as it had arrived. The members of Margate were glad the smell was gone, but were disappointed that the unsolved

mystery had slipped away. No one had an answer for what they had seen and experienced, so 'The Margate Monster' remained yet another mystery of the sea.



Section B: Language (15 marks)

Read through the questions and then refer to Text A, to answer the questions that follow.

1. Provide **ONE** example, of each, from Paragraph 1. (6x½=3)
 - a) Common noun _____
 - b) Preposition _____
 - c) Pronoun _____
 - d) Conjunction _____
 - e) Verb _____
 - f) Proper noun _____



2. List **2** words, from **Par. 5**, that contain both a prefix and a suffix. (2x½=1)

3. Name the punctuation mark used after the word **serpent** in Par. 4. (1)

4. In which tense is this story written? (1)

5. Find a sentence with a **connecting word** from **Paragraph 2**. Write the complete sentence. (1)

6. Identify the **article** in the sentence below (Paragraph 1)? Is it **definite** or **indefinite**? *The river which fed the little lagoon was locally known as Kongweni.* (2x½=1)

7. Circle the subject and underline the verb in the sentence below. (2x½=1)

Hugh saw something strange happening out at sea. (Paragraph 3.)

8. List **TWO** adjectives from Paragraph 1. (2x½=1)

9. Underline the adverb in the sentence (2x½=1):

News spread rapidly and hundreds of visitors arrived to gape. (Par. 4.)

What type of adverb is it? _____

10. Use this sentence, from Paragraph 3, to answer the questions below.

Huge, shiny, black heads merged out of the waves and enormous tail fins crashed.

a) Write the main clause. (1)

b) Give the conjunction. (1)

c) Write out the supporting/subordinate clause. (1)

11. Find a synonym for the word 'smell', in Paragraph 5. (½)

12. Find an antonym for the word 'frowned', in Paragraph 4. (½)

Language: 15 marks

TOTAL: 40 MARKS

