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October Homework
English
Bronze

Please return this booklet to your English teacher by the end of the month. All answers will be sent to your parents or guardians, so please ensure it is marked before handing it in.



Vicious Volcanoes

Rumbles and grumbles growl from within
A towering mountain with cracks at its peak
Molten magma boils and bubbles
As slowly but surely lava begins to leak.

With great booms and blasts of fog and fire
Clouds of ash bloom up high
The lava winds down and down the rock side
As sparks and pops crackle into the sky.

An ocean of scarlet pours down to the ground
Sweeping away all that stands in its path
Trees turn to firewood and grass turns to dust
As the volcano gives land a hot crimson bath.

Questions

1. Can you find any rhyming pairs in the first verse?

2. Where is the alliteration in the first verse?

3. What part of the poem makes the lava sound like fireworks?

4. Why has the writer said that trees turn to firewood?

5. What words has the writer used instead of 'red'?

The Secret Lives of Llamas

Llamas are members of the camel family which are native to the Andes Mountains in South America. Lots of people know llamas for their bad habit of spitting, but there are lots more llamas than meets the eye...

Species: Lama glama

Height: Up to 180cm

Weight: Up to 200kg

Lifespan: 15 - 25 years



Llamas can be used as therapy animals!

It is possible to train a llama to be a therapy animal. That means that they can go into places like hospitals, schools and nursing homes to give people comfort with their calm and soothing nature.

Llamas have three stomachs!

Llamas aren't fussy eaters. Like goats, they have been known to chew their food once, regurgitate it and then chew it again! The three stomach chambers that llamas have are great for breaking down food like grass and hay. Llamas can also survive on very little water.

Llamas can talk!

Llamas make different sounds depending on their moods or what they are doing. For example, llama mothers will hum to their babies or when they are feeling happy. They are also known to scream as an alarm call if they feel in danger and sometimes also make grunting, snorting and clicking sounds.

Llamas can be used as guards!

In western parts of the USA where coyotes and wolves are found, some farmers use llamas as guards for their sheep. If a llama spots a predator trying to attack the herd, they will make alarm calls to alert the farmer and in some cases will even try to scare the predator away.

Glossary:

Native - an animal that originates from a specific area is said to be native to that area.

Regurgitate - to bring swallowed food back up.

Predator - an animal that preys on other animals.

Questions

1. Where are llamas native to?

2. What is the lifespan of llamas?

10 - 20 years

15 - 25 years

15 - 20 years

3. Why are llamas good therapy animals?

4. What do a llama's three stomachs do?

5. When might a llama hum?

6. How can llamas help farmers?

7. What is a predator?

- An animal that is preyed on
- An animal that doesn't eat other animals
- An animal that preys on other animals

8. Why has the writer included a glossary?

9. Would you like to have a llama as a pet? Why or why not?



How to Make Monster Stew

Ingredients:

- 3 pickled onions
- 8 glugs of green slime
- 4 purple flowers (thorns on!)
- A pinch of pepper
- A handful of blargonberries

Method:

This delicious recipe for Monster Stew is perfect for fuelling up after a long day of scaring people! All you need are 5 simple ingredients and your sensational stew will be ready in no time.

- 1 First, mash the pickled onions and stir into the green slime on a low heat.
- 2 Next, remove the petals from the flowers and add those. Set aside the thorny stems.
- 3 Now, throw in a handful of blargonberries and raise the heat until the stew begins to bubble.
- 4 Finally, add a pinch of pepper and serve with the thorny stems as a garnish.

WARNING: NOT FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION



Questions

1. What adjectives did the writer use to describe the stew?

- delicious, tasty, perfect
- delicious, sensational, perfect
- delightful, sensational, tasty

2. What ingredient do you need 8 of?

- pickled onions
- glugs of green slime
- purple flowers

3. Why do you think the writer has written thorns on! in brackets?

4. What word could the writer use instead of mash?

stir

sieve

squash

5. Why is a 'glug' and a 'handful' not very useful for measuring?

6. Why has the writer written WARNING in capital letters?

7. What ingredients would you add to Monster Stew?

The Three Little Owls

In a dark forest on a dark night, three little owls roosted on a branch. Above them, the stars twinkled and the moon was barely a sliver. The owls were waiting for their mother to return from her hunt and they were bored.

"I'm the best flyer in this forest," the first owl boasted.
"Watch this."

He took a run along the branch, faster and faster, then leaped off the end. His huge wings flapped quickly as he swooped and dived like a fighter plane zooming through the night. Leaves fell from the trees as he rushed around at top speed. He came back in to land, puffing his chest out importantly. "See?" he said.

"Great," hooted the second owl, "but I'm the best singer in the forest. Listen."

The second owl cleared her throat and belted out a fabulous tune. Her voice was clear and bold, like the ringing of church bells. Nearby, a flock of birds took flight, scattering into the inky sky. "Even the other birds are dancing for me!" the second owl laughed.

The third owl looked proudly at his brother and sister. "You're right. You are the best flyer and you are the best singer." He fell silent then, as his siblings settled back down on the branch with smug looks on their faces. The third owl racked his brain, but he couldn't think of what he was best at. He was just happy to sit and listen to the sounds of the forest as the two of them showed off their skills.

A little while later, just as the three little owls' stomachs were starting to grumble, their mother swooped in and flopped down beside them on the branch. The first and second owls squabbled impatiently, pushing each other out of the way in their hurry to get to the lunch that their mother had brought.

“Hunting was hard tonight!” their mother sighed.
“Someone was scaring all the creatures away by rustling the leaves and flapping around.” The first owl went red.
The second owl giggled at him.

“And then,” their mother went on, “just when the creatures started to come out again, someone made this awful sound.” The second owl went red too.

Their mother looked at the third owl happily. “Thank you for waiting so patiently, dear.”

The third owl felt his heart glow with pride as his mother dropped her catch at his feet. “I’m the best at being patient. But I’m also best at sharing. Come on everyone, dig in.”



1. Why were the three little owls bored?

2. When the first owl flies, what does he look like?

3. When the second owl sings, what does she sound like?

4. How does the third owl feel about his brother and sister?

5. What does 'squabbled' mean?

6. Why is 'someone' written in italics?

7. What adjective does the mother use to describe the second owl's singing?

8. What was the third owl best at in the end?

9. How do you think the mother owl felt about the first and second owls?

10. How did the third owl feel at the end of the story?

Section 1

Mr Whoops has made TWO clumsy spelling mistakes in his sentence. Can you underline them and correct them?



During my literacy lesson, I wrote a sentence that ended with a question mark.

Section 3

Underline all the verbs in this sentence:

Rebecca sat down on the chair and folded her arms.



Section 5

Can you think of a compound noun to match each definition?

An event that happens once a year to celebrate when you were born:

A witch might ride on one of these:

Section 2

Can you add an adjective to this sentence?

The _____ swimmer glided through the water.



Section 4

Tick the sentence that is a command.

Have you been at school today?

I won an award at the gymnastics competition.

Get to bed straight away.



Section 6

Choose a vowel. Write the name of an animal beginning with your chosen letter.

Section 1

Mr Whoops has made THREE clumsy spelling mistakes in his sentence. Can you underline them and correct them?



During my literacy lesson, I wrote a sentence that ended with a question mark but I probably spelt something wrong.

Section 2

Can you add two adjectives to this sentence?



The _____ swimmer glided through the _____ water.

Section 1

Mr Whoops has made FOUR clumsy spelling mistakes in his sentences. Can you underline them and correct them?



During my literacy lesson, I wrote a sentence that ended with a question mark. Although, I probably spelt something wrong because I always do!

Section 2

Can you rewrite this sentence and add ambitious adjectives before each noun? The swimmer glided through the water.

Section 3

Underline all the verbs in this sentence:

Rebecca sat down on the chair and folded her arms. During the school holidays, she was always bored.



Section 4

Tick the sentence that is a command. Circle the sentence that is a statement.

Have you been at school today?

I won an award at the gymnastics competition.

Get to bed straight away.



Section 5

Can you think of a compound noun to match each definition?

An event that happens once a year to celebrate when you were born:

A witch might ride on one of these:

The mark you would leave with your boot in the snow:

Section 6

Choose a vowel. Write the name of an animal and a country beginning with your chosen letter.

Section 3

Underline all the verbs in this sentence:

Rebecca sat down on the chair and folded her arms. During the school holidays, she was always . She wanted to play outside.



Section 4

Decide whether each sentence is a command, a statement or a question:

Have you been at school today?

I won an award at the gymnastics competition. _____

Get to bed straight away.

Section 5

Can you think of a compound noun to match each definition?

An event that happens once a year to celebrate when you were born:

A witch might ride on one of these:

The mark you would leave with your boot in the snow: _____

A daily publication that contains stories and facts about what is happening in the world: _____

Section 6

Choose a vowel. Write the name of an animal, a country and a sport beginning with your chosen letter.
