

LOCKDOWN BREAK TASK 2

Grade 06
English FAL

SECTION A - COMPREHENSION

Read the newspaper article about fighting a flood and answer the questions that follow:

1 Heavy rains in South Africa have killed many people and forced thousands from their homes. A village built on a river bank near Johannesburg was badly damaged by a flood. Ten-year-old Johnny Sithole was one of the lucky people who escaped from the floods. He also saved the life of his little sister.

2 "It was late at night when a neighbour woke me to warn me of the danger," Johnny said. "I was surprised to see our parents were not home yet. Later I heard that the rain had washed away the road to our house. My parents could not get home."



3 When Johnny jumped from the bed, the water was already knee-deep. He looked for his three-year-



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old sister but could not see her anywhere. She had gone to sleep earlier on a baby mattress on the floor. But now he could not find her in the dark. The neighbours shouted at Johnny to leave the house, but he would not go without his sister.

4 Thinking fast, Johnny remembered the family's cell phone, on top of the fridge. He pushed his way through the water and switched on the cellphone's strong torch light. Johnny saw his sister asleep on her waterproof mattress, floating on top of the water. Johnny grabbed his sister. They ran to the hilltop behind the houses, where the neighbours were waiting. "We are so proud of Johnny," his mother said. "We were so worried about both our children when we could not get home. He is our hero now."

Circle the letter of the correct answer, only one answer is correct.

1.1 Which is the best title for this story? (1)

- A. The rainstorm
- B. A scary day
- C. Young boy to the rescue
- D. When it rains

1.2 Who is the main character in this story?

- A. The boy, Johnny.



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- B. The neighbours.
- C. The sister.
- D. The parents. (1)

1.3 Which of the following answers best describe a village?

- A. A tall narrow house.
- B. A group of small houses.
- C. A cabin.
- D. A new place to live. (1)

1.4 Where was Johnny's little sister?

- A. Playing at a friend's house.
- B. Away with her parents.
- C. Looking for her brother.
- D. Sleeping on a mattress. (1)

1.5. Where does this story take place?

- A. During a rainy season.
- B. On a river bank near Johannesburg.
- C. In a small town outside Kwa-Zulu Natal.
- D. In a village near Mpumalanga.

(1)



1.6 The children's parents were not home because

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- A. They had to work late.
- B. The road to their house was washed away.
- C. They were still on their way home.
- D. There was no transport available. (1)

1.7 When Johnny woke up the water was already

- A. Covering his feet.
- B. Ankle-deep.
- C. Knee-deep.
- D. Waist height. (1)

1.8 State whether the following sentence is True or False. Give a reason for your answer. ***Johnny would not leave without his sister.***

Tick the correct answer.

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|------|-------|
| True | False |
|------|-------|

_____ (2)

Answer the following questions in your own words:

1.9 According to this article, how many people have been forced from their homes due to heavy rains?

_____ (1)

1.10 How old was Johnny at the time of the flood?

_____ (1)

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- 1.11 Who woke Johnny from the floods?
_____ (1)
- 1.12 Where did Johnny's sister go to sleep?
_____ (1)
- 1.13 Why couldn't Johnny find his sister?
_____ (1)
- 1.14 Who was concerned about the safety of the children?

_____ (2)
- 1.15 What did Johnny use to find his sister?
_____ (1)
- 1.16 In your own words explain **why** Johnny's sister mattress was floating.
_____ (1)
- 1.17 Where did the children run to be safe?
_____ (1)
- 1.18 Do you think Johnny is a hero? Explain your answer. (2)

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1.19 **Number** the following sentences to show the order in which they happened.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | The children was safely re-united with their parents. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Heavy rains caused the river to flood. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | The children was home alone. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Johnny looked for his sister before he would leave their home. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Everyone ran to the hilltop for safety. |

(5)

2.20 Give the **plural** for the following words.

- a. sister _____
- b. home _____
- c. mattress _____

(3)



2.21 Is the following statement **True** or **False**.

Johnny's sister is the oldest child in their family. _____

(1)

TOTAL SECTION

A: 30



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SECTION B: LANGUAGE STRUCTURES AND CONVENTIONS

Rewrite the following sentence using the correct punctuation

- 2.1. the children was sleeping when the rain started (1)

- 2.2. Circle the **adjective** in the following sentence.

Johnny was a young boy. (1)

- 2.3. Underline the **uncountable noun** in the following sentence.

Thousands of people were affected by the rain. (1)

- 2.4. Give the **antonym** (opposite) of the following word:

built - _____

strong - _____ (2)

- 2.5. Use each of the following **preposition** (position) to complete the sentences.

above; on; inside

a. The waterproof mattress was floating _____ the water.

b. The flood water was _____ their house.

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(3)

c. The cellphone was _____ the fridge.

2.6. Correct the **spelling** of the following words:

ligt _____

hous _____ (2)

2.7. Rewrite the following sentence in the **present tense**:

The boy was very scared.

_____ (1)

2.8 Rewrite the following sentence in the **past tense**:

He wants to save his sister.

_____ (1)

2.9. Circle one **pronoun** and underline one **verb** in the following sentence:

He couldn't go without his sister. (2)

2.10 Use the **conjunction** provided in brackets to join the following sentences.

a. The boy was looking for his sister. He couldn't find her. (but)

_____ (1)

b. Johnny is a hero. He saved his sister. (because)

_____ (1)

2.11 **Underline** the correct answer.

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a. The little girl (was/were) sleeping on the mattress.

b. The rain (is/are) coming down hard. (2)

2.12 **Underline** the hard C word in the following sentence.

Johnny and his sister was very lucky. (1)

2.13. Circle the correct **synonym** (word with the same meaning) for warn.

message

alert

call

(1)

SECTION B:

Enjoy your



TOTAL

20

GRAND TOTAL:

50

holidays!