Read *Brain freeze* on page 2 of the magazine and answer questions 1 to 4.

1. When you eat ice-cream the underneath part of your tongue
   - feels like a ball.
   - touches the ice-cream first.
   - is colder than the top part.
   - is the warmest part.

2. To make a brain freeze go away you should press your tongue on
   - the tip of your thumb.
   - the roof of your mouth.
   - your teeth.
   - your ice-cream.

3. Before you use your tongue to warm your mouth you should
   - roll it.
   - warm it.
   - clean it.
   - squash it.

4. This text mostly helps you to
   - understand something about your body.
   - explain how to stop cold things melting.
   - choose the best kind of ice-cream.
   - find out why things freeze.
5. Bamboo is a type of:
   - tree.
   - wood.
   - bush.
   - grass.

6. According to the text, one way bamboo is amazing is that:
   - it can grow extremely fast.
   - it grows near gum trees.
   - it comes in many sizes.
   - it grows anywhere.

7. Which activity uses bamboo as scaffolding?
   - plumbing
   - building
   - cooking
   - sailing

8. Bamboo fibres are used in the production of:
   - paper.
   - furniture.
   - musical instruments.
   - boats.
9 Fabric made from bamboo is
- lumpy.
- scratchy.
- cottony.
- clingy.

10 According to the text, which part of a bicycle can be made from bamboo?
- the frame
- the wheels
- the pedals
- the seat

11 The main purpose of this text is
- to encourage people to use bamboo more often.
- to give interesting facts and uses for bamboo.
- to list everything that can be made from bamboo.
- to outline where bamboo is mainly grown and used.

Read Library magician on page 4 of the magazine and answer questions 12 to 19.

12 Today he was wearing a funny white beard and a lumpy, brown coat.
(paragraph 1)
This sentence shows that Mr Frank
- feels cold.
- is very old.
- is in a costume.
- works at the library.
13. Mr Frank tries to show that *every book is alive* by
- telling silly jokes.
- acting out stories.
- doing magic tricks.
- reading stories aloud.

14. When the children laugh at the white bird in paragraph 3, Mr Frank is
- happy.
- angry.
- surprised.
- disappointed.

15. The cowboy described in paragraph 4 is probably a
- doll.
- puppet.
- picture.
- daydream.

16. The exclamation marks (!) in paragraph 4 show that the narrator is
- angry.
- scared.
- thankful.
- amazed.
But as we walked, a small thrill was rising inside me like a bird taking off. (last paragraph)

This means the narrator
☐ is worried about opening the worn-looking book.
☐ is happy to finish story time at the library.
☐ is wanting to tell her mum about the book.
☐ is excited about reading the recommended story.

Which word best describes Mr Frank in the text?
☐ fierce
☐ brave
☐ playful
☐ watchful

In the text, whoosh (paragraph 3) and ‘RAWWRRR!’ (paragraph 5) are
☐ silly nonsense words.
☐ sounds that animals make.
☐ words from another language.
☐ strong feelings of the characters.

Read Please do not feed native animals on page 5 of the magazine and answer questions 20 to 25.

The sign tells the reader that native animals in the park
☐ are playful and friendly.
☐ have been put there for visitors to see.
☐ are untamed and dangerous.
☐ can take care of themselves.
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| 21       | You might think that you are being kind … (paragraph 1) These words are used to  
|          | • accuse the reader of making a mistake.  
|          | • identify a common opinion which is not correct.  
|          | • give the writer’s opinion about visitors.  
|          | • show sympathy for people doing the wrong thing. |
| 22       | Please be a friend …  
|          | The writer starts the sentence like this  
|          | • to appeal to the reader’s emotions.  
|          | • to emphasise that it is important to care about animals.  
|          | • to encourage more people to sponsor the animals in the park.  
|          | • to give scientific information in an informal way. |
| 23       | Which of these statements is supported by the sign?  
|          | • Animals survive better with help from humans.  
|          | • When animals eat human food it results in more rubbish in the park.  
|          | • Animals can behave in a threatening manner to get human food.  
|          | • When animals are not scared of humans it is better for their survival. |
| 24       | The sign mainly tries to persuade by  
|          | • offering rewards.  
|          | • making threats.  
|          | • targeting emotions.  
|          | • providing information. |
25 The main purpose of the picture on the sign is
- to remind people of the types of wildlife in the park.
- to illustrate the correct way to feed native animals.
- to show the sign’s message in a different way.
- to make the sign more attractive.

Read *The stranger* on page 6 of the magazine and answer questions 26 to 32.

26 At the beginning of the text, Buck is described as approaching the wolf *with caution in every movement*.

Why does he move this way?
- He has an injury and does not want to make it worse.
- He is hoping to surprise the wolf.
- He does not know how the wolf will react.
- He cannot tell which direction the cry is coming from.

27 In the second paragraph the writer talks of *both a threat and an overture of friendliness*.

Which quotation from the text means the same thing?
- *half crouching* (paragraph 2)
- *menacing truce* (paragraph 2)
- *wild leapings* (paragraph 2)
- *friendly advances* (paragraph 3)

28 How does the wolf behave in the third paragraph?
- He runs away from Buck, stops, then runs again.
- He snarls at Buck to try to scare him.
- He overtakes Buck then waits for him.
- He starts to fight with Buck, then runs away.
29 Why was Buck able to catch up with the wolf?
- The wolf was not healthy.
- The wolf did not know the area well.
- The wolf let Buck catch him as part of a game.
- The wolf was much younger than Buck.

30 The beginning of the fourth paragraph suggests Buck is very
- secretive.
- powerful.
- patient.
- careful.

31 …fierce beasts belie their fierceness … (paragraph 4)
This could be rewritten as
- wild animals behave as if they are injured.
- aggressive animals behave as if they are gentle.
- frightening animals behave as if they are frightened.
- angry animals behave as if they are happy.

32 The wolf’s actions show that he goes from
- ignoring Buck to threatening him.
- fearing Buck to defeating him.
- snarling at Buck to following him.
- mistrusting Buck to accepting him.
Read *Reviewing Curious Children* on page 7 of the magazine and answer questions 33 to 38.

### Question 33
Forsyth thinks a good adventure story
- has a complex plot and plenty of action.
- has an intricate plot and some reflection.
- challenges the conventions of the genre.
- is predictable in terms of the subject matter of its plot.

### Question 34
What is the aim of Saxby’s final two sentences?
- to inform people of the book’s content
- to identify the likely audience for the book
- to explain that the book is a spy novel
- to recommend the book to librarians

### Question 35
On which aspect of the novel are both reviewers positive?
- characters
- plot
- setting
- writing style

### Question 36
Which statement is most similar to an opinion expressed in Forsyth’s review?
- Sattler again displays his distinctive use of language.
- This book is unlike Sattler’s earlier works.
- Sattler is a writer who understands what his readers want.
- This book is a departure from Sattler’s usual subject matter.
What is the identity crisis that Forsyth refers to in his review?

At the end of each review, what do the stars represent?

- the difficulty of the book
- the age classification for the book
- the rating of the book by readers
- the reviewer’s judgement
PRACTICE QUESTIONS

Read Sara’s early morning on page 8 of the magazine and answer questions P1 and P2.

**P1**
What did Sara plan to do on Saturday morning?
- homework
- play football
- go horseriding
- make breakfast

**P2**
According to the text, what was Sara’s mistake?

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