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GRADE 6

ENGLISH
FIRST ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE

NAME OF SCHOOL: _____

NAME OF LEARNER: _____

GRADE: _____

TIME: 1 hour

MARKS: 50

9 pages

Question	Text	Marks	Learner's Mark
1	Text A: Information text	20	
2	Text A: Language in context	15	
3	Text B: Visual text	10	
4	Text C: Summary	5	
TOTAL		50	

INSTRUCTIONS

Read all questions carefully before answering.

- Answer ALL questions in the spaces provided in the question paper.
- Write neatly and legibly.

Practise exercises:

Circle the correct answer.

1. Which is NOT a type of superhero?

- A Villain
- B Batman
- C Hulk
- D The Green Lantern

You answered correctly if you circled the letter (A)

2. Which word is the verb in the following sentence? Write only the word on the line.

The man is flying over a building.

You answered correctly if you only wrote “flying” on the line.

3. Give a reason why school is important for kids.

You should have written in a full sentence in the space provided similar to the answer below:

School is important for kids so that they can learn.

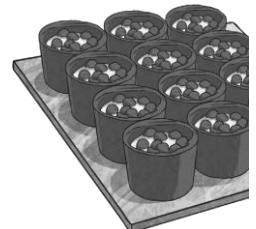
QUESTION 1: COMPREHENSION

Text A: Reading Comprehension

Read the following article and answer the questions that follow.

THE HISTORY OF CHOCOLATE

- 1 Chocolate is made from the fruit of cocoa trees, starting about 100 million years ago. The Olmecs of Mexico were probably the first to grow the cocoa plant. It is thought that they used the cocoa beans to make drinks, but there is no written history for the Olmecs.
- 2 The Olmecs passed their cocoa knowledge on to the Ancient Maya of Mexico and Central America, who made chocolate into a spicy drink used in ceremonies. Cocoa started to become very precious. Later the Aztecs used cocoa for trade and the cocoa seeds as a form of currency.
- 3 In 1502, Christopher Columbus was the first European explorer to come into contact with cocoa beans when he and his crew captured a trade ship. He presumed the beans were a type of almond and brought them back to Europe, not knowing the potential value of the unusual beans.
- 4 The Spanish Conquistador, Hernán Cortés, arrived in Central America in 1519. There he saw the Aztec Emperor drinking 'Xocalatl', the earliest known hot chocolate, and Cortés realised the great value that it had. Almost ten years later, Cortés established a cocoa plantation for trading. He took the beans back to Spain along with the chocolate drink recipe. Here, cinnamon and other spices were added to the bitter brew and it was sweetened with sugar.
- 5 In 1657, the first chocolate house was opened in London. Cocoa was an expensive import and only the rich could afford to drink chocolate. In fact, in France, chocolate could be drunk only by the royal family.



[Source: www.twinkl.com]

Circle the correct letter for the following questions.

1.1 What kind of text is this?

- A Information text
- B Poem
- C Letter
- D Story

(1)

1.2 Chocolate is made from ...

- A the fruit of cocoa trees.
- B the chocolate bean.
- C the coffee plant.
- D the bean plant.

(1)

1.3 Who grew the first cocoa plant?

- A Christopher Columbus
- B The Chocolate Maker
- C The Chocolate Factory
- D The Olmecs

(1)

1.4 Who was the first European explorer to come into contact with cocoa beans?

- A Christopher Columbus
- B Cyril Ramaphosa
- C Hernan Cortes
- D Albert Einstein

(1)

1.5 When was the first chocolate house opened?

- A 1942
- B 1823
- C 1757
- D 1657

(1)

Answer the following questions using full sentences.

1.6 Name the TWO countries to which the Olmecs passed on their knowledge of cocoa.

(2)

1.7 Identify the two ways in which the Aztecs used cocoa?

(2)

1.8 Who made chocolate into a spicy drink?

(1)

1.9 When was the spicy drink used?

(1)

1.10 Which word in paragraph 1 has the same meaning as “the past”?

_____ (1)

1.11 State whether the statement below is TRUE or FALSE. Tick the correct answer.

1.11.1 The cocoa beans are used to make chocolate.

True

False

(1)

1.11.2 Quote a sentence from paragraph 1 to motivate your answer.

_____ (1)

1.12 Give a reason why only the rich were able to drink hot chocolate before the 1700's.

_____ (2)

1.13 Do you enjoy drinking a chocolate drink? Give a reason for your answer.

_____ (2)

1.14 “Cocoa was an expensive import and only the rich could afford to drink chocolate.”
Do you think this statement is still applicable today? Give a reason for your answer.

_____ (2)
[20]

QUESTION 2: LANGUAGE IN CONTEXT

Use Text A to answer the following questions.

- 2.1 Complete the table below by filling in the correct singular or plural forms of the noun in the table.

	Singular	Plural
2.1.1	_____	ceremonies
	_____	_____
2.1.2	chocolate	_____

(2)

- 2.2 Write out the word “cocoa” in syllables.

(1)

- 2.3 Underline the subject and circle the object in the sentence below.

Chocolate was eaten by royals and emperors.

(2)

- 2.4 Underline the abstract noun in the following sentence.

The thought of his own plantation filled Cortes with happiness.

(1)

- 2.5 Find the **antonym** in Text A for the following word.

sweet – _____ (Paragraph 4)

(1)

- 2.6 Find the **synonym** in Text A for the following word.

seized – _____ (Paragraph 3)

(1)

- 2.7 Fill in the **degrees of comparison** for the word “rich”.

Positive	Comparative	Superlative
rich	_____	_____

(2)

- 2.8 Identify the types of sentences shown below.

(a) Chocolate is made of the fruit of cocoa trees.	
(b) Is chocolate good for you?	

(2)

2.9 Rewrite the following sentence using the correct punctuation.

aztecs called the cocoa drink "xocalatl"

(3)
[15]

QUESTION 3: VISUAL TEXT

Text B: Visual Text – Poster

Study the following poster and answer the questions below.



[Source:www.twinkl.com]

3.1 How many pounds of chocolate do Americans eat annually?

_____ (1)

3.2 Why do people buy such a lot of chocolate during Valentine's week?

_____ (1)

3.3 Why does chocolate melt in your mouth?

_____ (1)

3.4 Name TWO things that chocolate absorbs?

_____ (2)

3.5 Why is chocolate good for your health?

_____ (1)

3.6 Name THREE edible treats that you know, in which chocolate is the main ingredient.

_____ (3)

3.7 According to the graph, people eat chocolate mostly at certain times.
Which is the most popular time to eat chocolate?

_____ (1)

[10]

QUESTION 4: SUMMARY

TEXT C

Read the text below and follow the instruction provided.

AMAZING FACTS ABOUT CHOCOLATE

Chocolate is made from beans derived from the cocoa tree. These beans are very bitter, so the cocoa solids and the cocoa butter has sugar added to it, along with some other ingredients in order to make the chocolate that is available to the general public.

Chocolate is particularly popular at certain times of the year, such as Easter, Valentine's Day and Christmas. At these times, shaped chocolate gifts are popular. Hearts for Valentine's day and cute bunnies at Easter are two shapes which are high up on the gift selection list.

Chocolate is lower in caffeine than tea, coffee and Coca Cola. A 30 g bar of chocolate contains about 6 mg of caffeine, whereas a cup of regular coffee contains over 40 mg. Chocolate was regarded as an aphrodisiac by Aztec Indians. Chocolate contains antioxidants which may help prevent cancer and heart disease. Chocolate is the favourite flavour in the United States of America. The shelf life of a bar of chocolate is approximately one year. These are some interesting facts about chocolate.

[Adapted from: https://www.streetdirectory.com/food_editorials/snacks/chocolates/10_amazing_facts_about_chocolate.html]

- 4.1 Summarise the text by writing 5 facts in 60 to 70 words about chocolate in your own words.

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TOTAL: 50

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