



basic education

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MARKS

ANNUAL NATIONAL ASSESSMENT 2012 GRADE 4 ENGLISH FIRST ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE TEST

MARKS: 20

TIME: 1 hour

PROVINCE _____

REGION _____

DISTRICT _____

SCHOOL NAME _____

NATIONAL EMIS NUMBER (9 digits)

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CLASS (e.g. 4A) _____

SURNAME _____

NAME _____

GENDER (✓)

BOY

GIRL

DATE OF BIRTH

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This test consists of 7 pages, excluding the cover page.

Instructions to learners

1. Read all the instructions carefully.
2. Answer all the questions in the spaces provided.
3. The duration of the test is 60 minutes.
4. The teacher will lead you through the practice exercises before you start the test.
5. Write neatly and legibly.

Practice exercises

1. **Circle the letter of the correct answer.**

A cabbage is a ...

A fruit.

B vegetable.

C root.

D berry.

You have answered the question correctly if you have circled B.

2. **Write the correct answer in the space provided.**

John is a boy and Mary is a _____.

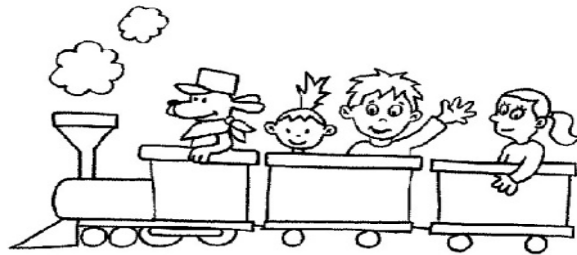
Answer: girl

You have answered the question correctly if you wrote 'girl' in the space.

The test starts on the next page.

Read the poem and answer Question 1.

Little train, upon the track,
Travel to town and back.
Stop for people on the way,
Going shopping for the day.



1. Circle the letter of the correct answer.

Which is the best title for this poem?

- A Visiting
- B Eating
- C Travelling
- D Dancing

(1)

2. Answer the following questions:

2.1 The following sentence is written in the present tense.

The train is at the station.

Rewrite the sentence in the past tense beginning with the word
Yesterday.

Yesterday _____

(1)

2.2 The following sentence is written in the present tense.

The train stops for people on the way.

Rewrite the sentence in the future tense beginning with the word Tomorrow.

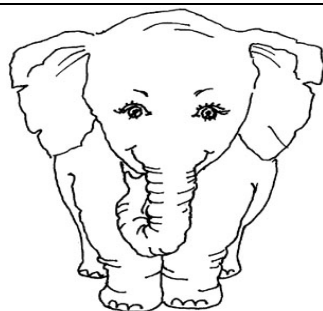
Tomorrow _____ (1)

3. Write the underlined word in the **plural**.

The red and blue train stopped.

_____ (1)

Read the following text and answer Questions 4 to 6.3.



Blessu was a very small elephant when he sneezed for the first time. The other elephants were moving slowly through the tall grass, that hid the legs of his mother and his aunties. It also reached halfway up the bodies of his bigger brothers and sisters and you could not see Blessu at all.

Down below, where he was walking, the air was thick with pollen from the flowering long grasses. Suddenly Blessu felt a strange tickly feeling between his eyes, at the base of his very small trunk. Closing his eyes and closing his mouth, he stuck his very small trunk straight out before him, and sneezed: 'AAARCHOOO!' It was not the biggest sneeze in the world, but it was very big for a very small elephant. 'Bless you!' cried his mother and his aunties and his bigger brothers and sisters.

[Extract from a book by Dick King Smith]

4. **Circle the letter of the correct answer.**

Which is the best title for this story?

- A The Herd of Elephants
- B The Baby Elephant who Sneezed
- C Elephants in the Grass
- D Elephant Brothers and Sisters (1)

5. **Circle the letter of the correct answer.**

You could not see Blessu because ...

- A he hid behind his mother.
- B his brothers and sisters got in the way.
- C the grass was very tall.
- D the air was thick with pollen. (1)

6. **Answer the following questions:**

6.1 Circle the letter of the correct answer that best describes Blessu.

- A Sick
- B Noisy
- C Silly
- D Young (1)

6.2 Tick the correct answer.

Did Blessu walk alone in the grassland?

YES	NO
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(1)

6.3 Give a good reason for your answer.

(1)

7. **Join these two sentences together by using and.**

Blessu sneezed. It made a very loud noise.

(1)

8. **Answer the following questions:**

Choose the correct word that is opposite in meaning to the underlined word.

Circle the letter of the correct answer.

- 8.1 The elephant happily pulled down the branches, while the bird watched ...

- A sad.
- B angry.
- C sadly.
- D angrily.

(1)

- 8.2 The elephant had a very short trunk.

- A tall
- B big
- C fat
- D long

(1)

Use the following timetable of afternoon activities at Anne's school to answer Question 9–10.

DAY	TIME	ACTIVITY	TEACHER
Monday	14:00–15:00	Soccer	Mr Modise
	15:00–16:00	Athletics	Mr Melamu
Tuesday	14:00–15:00	Netball	Mrs K Moodley
	15:00–16:00	Choir	Mrs Mavundla Mr Lembethe
Wednesday	14:00–15:00	Dancing	Mrs Mkhize
	15:00–17:00	Drama	Mrs Govender
Thursday	14:00–15:00	Chess	Mr Modise
	15:00–16:00	Art	Mrs Phiri

9. Anne would like to do art and dancing. On which TWO days should she attend?

Circle the letter of the correct answer.

- A Wednesday and Thursday
- B Monday and Wednesday
- C Tuesday and Thursday
- D Monday and Friday

(1)

10. For which activity do you use a paintbrush?

- A Art
- B Dancing
- C Soccer
- D Choir

(1)

Read the paragraph below and answer Question 11.

An insect such as a butterfly or a moth has six legs. It has a body made up of three parts. Butterflies fold their coloured wings above their bodies when they rest. Moths, with dark wings, fold them flat. Butterflies fly by day but moths fly by night. All butterflies suck nectar (a sweet liquid) from flowers, but not all moths do this.

11. Fill in the correct words.

Butterflies and moths are (11.1) _____. (1)

Butterflies have brightly coloured wings, but moths have dark wings and they fly at (11.2) _____. (1)

12. School is an important part of life. Write FOUR interesting sentences about your school. You might like to write about your teacher, the things you like and dislike or even what you do at break time.

Remember to take care of your spelling, grammar and punctuation.

(4)

TOTAL: 20