

Reading/Dictation Assessment Passages

SET 1

Jen got the hat in the box. She put it on the doll.

She got the doll at the shop in the city hotel.

Jen pulls the button on the doll and it sings jazz and rock.

The doll is in a set with a chick. The hat has gems on it.

Jen can hug and kiss the doll.

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SET 2

Gran has a glam handbag. She kept it on the shelf next to the lamp.

It is very big and she can fit lots of things in it. She wishes it was bigger as she can't fit her dog in it.

She got on the bus to go swim with her twin, Stan. She left her handbag at the back of the bus.

It was the saddest thing! Gran had left her lunch in it as well! Stan said it is going to stink!

She is missing her handbag. She wished she had not hopped on that bus to go swim with her twin!

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SET 3

When the rain fell, the queen wailed! She had just finished her hair! She was going out with the King who liked to be on time! Now she had to do her hair again. What a pain!

The king said it was fine. They left a bit late but still got to the party on time. They were seated between a lord and his lady. They clapped at the clown chasing the snail and the seal jumping on the ball. It was such a great show! Flowers adorned the room. What a sight, it looked like a proper picture!

The cook made steak and chips. The queen loved it! They drank snowballs and ate boiled pears and ice-cream for pudding. After that, they had cake! What a treat. The queen forgot all about her hair. When she left, she shook her host's hand and gave her the biggest hug. Then she got on the Royal Tube and went home. It had been the greatest night ever!

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SET 4

On the bridge, the giant gnashed his bare teeth at the small gnome who was protecting the lamb. He knew he was wrong but he was so hungry! He got out his claws as if to wage war! Then all of a sudden, the giant's phone rang. It was the fairy godmother, "What in the world do you think you are doing!" she said. "Leave that poor lamb alone. If you don't, I will put you in a cage with a low ceiling and haunt you. I will make dark clouds follow you, night and day. Be warned! "

The giant paused, the fairy godmother was fierce. You did not want her as a foe! He decided to write her a text. Please don't haunt me, I am not proud of my intent and the chaos I have caused! I was dreaming of lamb stew but I knew it was wrong. I will work in the field, you can be my chief. I will grow crops for the lambs and never eat meat again! I can make money as a chef using crops I have grown. I will use the money I make to make eight new homes for the gnomes. No gnome, bird or animal will ever be my prey again. No more meat pies for me! I will love and laugh with the animals, I swear I will be their friend. If you receive this text you must believe, I will never seize another living thing for a pie or a stew.

From a very sorry giant who knows he is wrong!

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SET 5

Once upon a time, there was a beautiful princess who lived in a mansion deep in the dense woods. She would dance every chance she got, although she wasn't very graceful. One Wednesday afternoon, she passed a tree which had a message hanging from its lowest bough. She glanced at it but the words were all blurry. If only she had gone to the optician! Fortunately, her friend, naughty Harry (who was always causing mischief) walked by.

"Please can you read this for me?" asked the princess.

Harry looked baffled, "Why?" he said, "It's simple to read."

"I know it is, but my eyesight is playing up," replied the princess.

"Ah ok then," Harry coughed to clear his throat and then began to read, " Next Tuesday at eight o'clock, free admission to the greatest science-themed party in history. Book your place now to create your own scents and magic potions. Learn how to prevent drought and use simple methods to make the best doughnuts ever! You will be amazed and baffled as you paddle through the magical ocean without getting drenched! Best of all, if you manage to complete the puzzle challenge, you will be chosen to go on the first mission ever to Pluto. You will begin the ascent into space, the week after the party, so keep your diary free just in case! To get to the party go to Appletree Station, find platform 9¾, don't mind the wall just keep walking through!"

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