

NAPLAN — Year 5 Literacy

Set 2 — Sample Reading test answers

About the sample Reading tests

These units provide experience of the reading test format. Teachers could also use these materials either for assessment or for teaching, for example, to teach:

- strategies such as Question Answer Relationships (QARs)
- text location strategies such as key word in the margin
- inferential questions, both those that are text-based and those that are context-based
- how to respond to evaluation questions
- persistence and stamina.

For example, you could use the stimulus materials as a running record (logging errors in reading aloud) or, if students are familiar with QARs, have students write questions that show each of the QARs.

Answers

Snake	1 A; 2 D; 3 C; 4 B; 5 A; 6 B; 7 A; 8 D; 9*
Snow Leopard	10 D; 11 C; 12 C; 13 A; 14 A; 15 A; 16 D; 17*; 18*
The answer is ...	19 C; 20 C; 21 D; 22 A; 23 C; 24 C; 25 C; 26 B; 27 C; 28*; 29 C

*Model responses for write-in (short response) questions

Item 9:

Correct:

to show the person is afraid the snake isn't really dead; to show what is going on inside the person's head; it has an exclamation mark to show how strong his feelings are.

Item 17:

Correct:

it has no larynx box; it cannot roar; it has a special fur coat.

Incorrect:

it is a beautiful animal; it lives in the mountains; it has fur to protect it.

Item 18:

Correct:

A roar is a loud sound. We need to make a big noise about saving the snow leopard or people won't hear about the problem.

Animals roar as a warning. We need to roar to warn others the snow leopard is in danger.

The snow leopard cannot roar, so the author uses that word to make the message about saving the snow leopard stand out.

Incorrect:

the snow leopard can't roar; people need to roar to save the snow leopard; other big cats can roar.

Item 28:

Correct:

Alice won the game because she tricked her brother; Alice knew she could win by asking a question that could not be answered; Alice ended up with more money than her brother.

Incorrect:

Alice; Alice won; Dave won because he asked a question that Alice couldn't answer.

Resources

Resources on the QSA website that may be useful include:

- *Poster: In the book or in your head* — www.qsa.qld.edu.au/1443.html
- *Teacher's notes: Locating information* — www.qsa.qld.edu.au/1443.html
- *Poster: Thinking about a story* — www.qsa.qld.edu.au/1443.html
- *Teaching reading and viewing: Guide for Years 4–7* — www.qsa.qld.edu.au/yr5-english-resources.html
- *Teaching reading and viewing: Comprehension strategies* — www.qsa.qld.edu.au/yr5-english-resources.html
- *Framework for Reading items* — www.qsa.qld.edu.au/1443.html

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