

2023 national curriculum tests

# Key stage 1

## English reading

### Paper 2: reading answer booklet

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Questions 1–8 are about *Houses Around the World*  
(pages 4–5)

(page 4)

**1** Sara must be careful about how long she spends in the shower.

This is because...

Tick **one**.

all the water could run out.

there might not be enough electricity.

other people might want to use the shower.

she might not have enough time for a shower.



1 mark

(page 4)

**2** *Gers* are covered with special fabric...

This fabric is most helpful on...

Tick **one**.

hot days.

cloudy days.

sunny days.

stormy days.



1 mark

(page 4)

3 Where does Bora's family get electricity from?

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1 mark

(page 5)

4 Put ticks in the table to show which statements about Tom's lighthouse are **true** and which are **false**.

	True	False
Tom thinks it's easy to climb to the top of his lighthouse.		
Tom's lighthouse is in Australia.		
Tom keeps lots of food in his lighthouse.		
When it gets stormy, Tom leaves his lighthouse.		



2 marks

(page 5)

5

Why are the shafts in Ella's house important?

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1 mark

(page 5)

6

Why is it easy for Ella to visit her neighbours?

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1 mark

7

...you are not disturbed by any outside noise, so you will definitely have a good night's sleep!

In this sentence, the word *disturbed* means the same as...

Tick **one**.

woken up.

refreshed.

calmed down.

confused.



1 mark

8

Put ticks in the table to show which sentences are **true** and which are **false**.

	True	False
Sara has everything she needs in her house.		
Bora's house has a hole in the roof to let sunlight in.		
There is lots of room in Tom's house.		
Ella's underground house does not have the internet.		



2 marks

Questions 9–17 are about *In a Minute*  
(pages 6–7)

(page 6)

9 Why did Mum ask for Rory's help?

Tick **one**.

She was fixing his bike.

She was washing up.

She was baking.

She was eating a snack.



1 mark

(page 6)

10 *The clothes on the line were soaked.*

What does the word *soaked* tell you about the clothes?

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1 mark

(page 6)

**11** Look at page 6.

How was everyone feeling about Rory?

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1 mark

(page 7)

**12** Put ticks in the table to show how each person made Rory wait.

	Mum	Dad
did not fix Rory's bike		
did not give Rory a sandwich		
watched TV		
read the newspaper		



2 marks

(page 7)

13

**Find** and **copy one** word that shows Rory was upset when his friends went on the bike ride.

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1 mark

(page 7)

14

How do you know Rory didn't mean to make everyone wait?

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1 mark

(page 7)

**15** Why did Rory grin at the end of the story?

Tick **one**.

He realised his mistake.

He was happy that everyone had waited.

He was looking forward to his bike ride.

He loved his new watch.

  
1 mark

(pages 6–7)

**16** Next time Rory's dad asks him for help, what might Rory do?

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1 mark

(pages 6–7)

17

Number the sentences from 1 to 4 to show the order in which they happened in the story.

Mum and Dad made a plan.

Rory learned how long a minute is.

Mum gave Rory a watch.

Everyone noticed Rory never did anything on time.



1 mark

**End of test**

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