



Noah's Ark Independent Primary School

Subject: Home Language: English	Examiner: Gororo, E
Type: End of Year Paper 1	Moderator: Böhmer, MA
Date: 20 November 2020	Grade: 6-___
Marks: 20 Marks	Time: Unallocated (oral)

Name: _____

Instructions:

- Read the questions carefully before you start writing.
- Make sure you answer ALL the questions.
- Pay special attention to spelling, language errors and sentence construction.
- Write neatly and legibly.

Section A: Unprepared Reading

Read the text below as a class. Take turns to read one paragraph each. Be prepared to answer questions to show reading with understanding.

One little can

Rebecca scowled in disgust as she walked to the school bus stop. Her neighbourhood looked like a rubbish dump. The pavement was littered with newspapers and plastic bags. The front door to Lee's Grocery store was covered with ugly graffiti. It was spring, but instead of green grass and flowers, the gardens seemed to be sprouting broken branches and trash.

"Yuck!" Rebecca said as she brought her foot back to kick a cold drink can off the pavement. Then she changed her mind, she picked the can up, and threw it into a rubbish bin on the corner. She hurried to meet her friends at the bus stop.

Mr Lee scowled as looked out his grocery store window. "Hmph," he said as the girl passed by. She's probably another troublemaker, he thought. One of those

kids who spray painted graffiti all over my door. Kids today are just no good.

To confirm his suspicion, the girl stepped back to kick a piece of rubbish into the street. What she did next though, surprised him. She bent down, picked up the old can, and dropped it into the rubbish bin.

“That’s a surprise!” thought Mr Lee.

All morning as he unpacked soup cans and cereal boxes, he kept remembering that girl. At noon, when he walked to the corner to mail a letter, he noticed the rubbish that had piled up in front of his store. He thought of that girl again, then got a broom and started sweeping the pavement outside his shop.

Mrs. Selepe peered out from between the curtains in her living room. A crumpled sheet of newspaper blew into her yard and got caught on a rosebush. She hated living across the street from Lee’s Grocery. Customers were always dropping their rubbish in front of the store, and then it would blow into her garden. Maybe I should write a letter to the city council, she thought, or call the mayor. If Mr Lee is going to let his store be such an eyesore, maybe it should be shut down.

Just then Mr. Lee walked out his door. Mrs. Selepe quickly closed the curtains, but when she peeked out again, he was sweeping up the rubbish outside his shop.

“That’s a surprise!” thought Mrs. Selepe.

A few minutes later, when she went to let her cat out, she noticed that the wind had blown the torn piece of newspaper off her rosebush and it was not blowing into the next yard. She caught a glimpse of Ms. Simons, her neighbour, frowning at her from the verandah.

Mrs. Selepe looked around at her own untidy yard.

“Well, Fluffy,” she said to her cat, “Mr Lee isn’t the only one who can do a bit of outdoor spring cleaning.

She went inside and got her work gloves and a rubbish bag. When Rebecca got

off the school bus that afternoon, the first thing she notices was the woman planting flowers around the edges of her driveway. A fat grey cat was chasing a butterfly that flitted among the bright red blossoms. "What happened to all the dead branches and soggy newspapers that were in that garden this morning?" wondered Rebecca. "And the other gardens looked tidier, too!"

When she passed Lee's Grocery, Mr Lee was outside painting his door the colour of a spring sky. He smiled at her as she walked by.

"Maybe my neighbourhood doesn't look so bad after all," Rebecca thought. She knelt down and picked up an advertising leaflet. She threw it into the rubbish bin and continued walking home, whistling as she walked.

Criteria for reading	Possible Marks	Actual Marks
Was the learner able to:		
Read with good audibility	2	
Read fluently, without mistakes and using correct pronunciation	2	
Read with understanding and expression	6	
Total Marks	1	

Section B: Listening & Speaking

Retell the story to your class and write at least 2 paragraphs explaining how each character helped to keep their community clean and tidy as well as discussing how you and your neighbour try to keep your community clean.
