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Read “Under the Sea” on page 59 and answer questions 1 to 6.

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1. Submarines are called “Wolves of the sea”. This means that:

- they are sneaky underwater
- they move in a pack together
- they make a lot of noise in the water
- they scare away other ships



2. Submarines need to be watertight so:

- they don't sink
- they can float
- they don't leak
- they can work in the ocean

3. Why is the inner chamber on a submarine important?

- it helps the submarine rise and sink
- it stops the submarine from being crushed
- it holds the ballast tanks
- it holds the navigational instruments

4. Why do submarines have rudders?

- to descend through the water
- to balance the conning tower
- to support the instruments
- to stabilise the submarine

5. If a submarine is on the surface of the ocean, how would it sink to a shallow depth?

- expel water from the ballast tanks
- partly fill the ballast tanks with water
- force compressed air into the ballast tanks
- completely fill the ballast tanks with water

6. The purpose of this text is to:

- describe
- argue
- inform
- recount

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Read “Sugar and Me” on page 60 and answer questions 7 to 12.

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7. Who is the target audience for the movie?

- children
- people who like horses
- everybody
- farm girls



8. What does the reviewer think is a negative aspect of the movie?

- it is old-fashioned
- it is a family film
- it is only for the holidays
- it is predictable

9. What has been the impact of the movie’s advertising campaign?

- it made people laugh
- it made people emotional
- it made the movie seem old-fashioned
- it made the movie too predictable

10. What is the purpose of the text?

- to compare the holiday movies
- to describe the horse named Sugar
- to give a summary of the movie
- to explain Penny’s adventures

11. Why was Penny unhappy in the suburbs?

- She had lots of funny adventures.
- She could no longer keep a horse.
- Her life was too cliché.
- She had moved homes many times.

12. What happens at the end of the movie?

- Sugar reaches the end of her useful life.
- Penny and Sugar have a funny adventure.
- Sugar eats lots of cheese.
- Penny and Sugar help each other become happier.

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Read “Up in the Air” on page 61 and answer questions 13 to 18.

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13. Which word is used in the text to mean “turn”?

- extended
- rudder
- bank
- ascend



14. How is extra lift created during takeoff?

- the plane flies faster than normal
- air flows faster over the top of the wing
- the undercarriage rolls along the ground
- the flaps are extended

15. According to the text, what is thrust?

- forward movement
- hot gas expelled backwards
- burning fuel
- a type of jet engine

16. Which is the correct statement?

- Elevators make the plane go left or right.
- Elevators make the plane go up or down.
- Elevators keep the plane in a straight line.
- Elevators and ailerons do the same job.

17. What is the purpose of the cross-section diagram?

- to label each part of the plane
- to show a slice of an aerofoil
- to explain how an aerofoil works
- to describe the functions of parts of a plane

18. According to the text, the function of a racing car spoiler is to:

- create lift
- make it go faster
- help it turn corners
- push it down onto the road

Read "The First Step" on page 62 and answer questions 19 to 24.

19. Why didn't Ming Ming's mother scold her more often?

- Ming Ming was a daydreamer
- Ming Ming was an only child
- Ming Ming was a kind person
- Ming Ming was full of enthusiasm



20. "She did not want her family to lose face". This means that Ming Ming:

- did not want to cause them to be dishonoured
- did not want them to be banished
- did not want them to be worried
- did not want them to rely on her

21. Why was Ming Ming's father proud of her?

- she was treated as a special guest
- she was resourceful
- she found a strange carving on a tree
- she was a brave general

22. What made Ming Ming trip over the log?

- she remembered her mother's warnings
- she was fighting a band of renegades
- she was carrying a basket
- she was daydreaming

23. What was so resourceful about Ming Ming's solution to her problem?

*(Write your answers below.)*

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24. The author suggests that the carving on the tree made her:

- realise how silly she was for daydreaming
- concentrate on the job she had to do
- think of using the seed pods
- want to get back to the village safely



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Read "You Have Email" on page 63 and answer questions 25 to 30.

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25. Why does Asmira feel like an ostrich?

- she hasn't had any contact with her other friends
- her Aunt's place is so dreary
- there is lots of sand at her Aunt's place
- she is a long way from Newton



26. What is Jane referring to when she writes "at least now he's not whinging"?

- her brother's girlfriend
- her brother is missing his girlfriend
- her brother is back with his girlfriend
- her brother hated being at his Aunt's place

27. Why is Asmira "green"?

- she had no luck this year
- she wanted, but didn't get pumps
- she is sick of being at her Aunt's house
- she can't wait to see Katrina's face

28. According to Asmira, what is the benefit of living at her Aunt's place?

- it's in the middle of nowhere
- she has lots of jobs to do
- she gets to go to a new school
- she is independent

29. In the last email, why does Jane write "you don't have to ask"?

- she doesn't forget anything
- she talked to her parents about it
- she will always keep in contact
- they will meet in the holidays

30. Which sentence best describes the frustration Jane felt about Asmira's situation?

- What's happening?
- I was totally in the dark.
- Everyone at school has been asking where you are.
- Let me know what happens.

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Read “Whales” on page 64 and answer questions 31 to 36.

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31. An orca is *not*:

- a cetacean
- a toothed whale
- a baleen whale
- a killer whale



32. What is the best meaning of “odontocetes”?

- whales
- having teeth
- sperm whales
- cetaceans

33. One of the differences between toothed whales and baleen whales is:

- dolphins eat fish and blue whales don't
- humpback whales are cetaceans and sperm whales aren't
- orcas do not chew their food and grey whales do
- dolphins have a melon and baleen whales don't

34. What is the purpose of the first paragraph?

- to identify the features of whales
- to describe the differences between toothed and baleen whales
- to highlight why most whales are toothed whales
- to show the many types of cetaceans that live in the sea

35. What part of a whale is described as “a paddle”?

- flipper
- dorsal fin
- tail fluke
- whalebone

36. Why is it said that whale's teeth are peg-like?

- the lower parts wear off
- their lower jaw is hollow
- they chew their food with their teeth
- their teeth hold their food