

# Sample mid-year examination: Paper 2

PLEASE NOTE: THIS IS A PRACTICE EXAM. IT IS SHORTER THAN THE EXAM PAPER YOU WILL WRITE. A FULL PAPER IS FOR 70 MARKS AND HAS A LONGER COMPREHENSION SECTION.

## Language in context

### A: Comprehension

#### Text 1: A poem

1. Read the title of the poem. Copy and complete the sentence correctly:  
I expect the poem to be about (**windy weather/wet weather/warm weather**). (1)
2. Read the poem and answer the questions about it below.

#### Rain

The rain is raining all around,  
It falls on field and tree;  
It rains on the umbrellas here  
And on the ships at sea.

By Robert Louis Stevenson

- a) How do we know there is a lot of rain? (1)
- b) What is the smallest thing the rain falls on? What is the biggest place? (2)
- c) Write down a pair of rhyming words. (1)
- d) Write two words near each other that start with the same sound. (1)
- e) Find a word that means "a big open area". (1)

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#### Text 2: Information

Read the information and answer the questions below.

I made biscuits. I used butter, sugar, flour, and an egg. First I turned on the oven. Next I put a bowl on the table. I put the butter in the bowl, and I beat it with a wooden spoon until it was soft. I added the sugar and beat it into the butter. Then I used a fork to beat the egg in a mug. I added it to the butter and sugar. Then I mixed in the flour. I took the mixture out of the bowl and rolled it flat. I cut out shapes and put them on a pan. I baked the biscuits for ten minutes. When I took them out of the oven, I let them cool for a bit. Then we ate them. They were delicious.

1. How many ingredients do you need to make the biscuits? (1)
2. Name four tools that you need to make these biscuits. (4)
3. How long were the biscuits in the oven? (1)
4. Why must you let the biscuits cool when you take them out? (1)
5. What would you add to the biscuits to make them even nicer? (1)

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## B: Language

1. Write questions for these answer sentences.

a) I need flour, sugar and eggs. (What \_\_\_\_\_?)

b) I cook in the kitchen. (Where \_\_\_\_\_?)

c) It takes ten minutes to bake them. (How long \_\_\_\_\_?) (3)

2. Use the apostrophes and pronouns below to complete the paragraph:

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's

mine

me

they

she

We made biscuits at Donna\_\_ house. \_\_ lives near to \_\_. We used her mother\_\_ bowls and spoons. \_\_\_\_ were bigger than \_\_\_\_\_. (3)

3. Choose the correct verb in brackets.

My (**mother bake/bakes/is baking/are baking**) biscuits every Saturday. She (**bake/bakes/is baking/are baking**) some now. We (**wait/waits/is waiting/are waiting**) to eat them. We (**like/likes/is liking/are liking**) biscuits. (2)

4. Punctuate the sentence below with capital letters and a full stop.

we made biscuits with donna on monday at her house in bridge street (3)

5. Copy and correct the sentences. Underline your corrections.

There was a rain falling. The girl go out. She took his umbrella. Her jean got wet. (4)