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FEMSSISA PRIMARY ENGLISH OLYMPIAD:

GRADE 5

DATE: 19 - 23 SEPTEMBER 2022

TIME: 60 MINUTES

Instructions:

1. This booklet has 6 questions.
2. Answer on the paper below.
3. Read the questions carefully before answering.
4. Visit the website: www.saolympiads.co.za.

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QUESTION ONE:

1. Read the following passage and then answer the questions that follow.

WATCHING PENGUINS by Andrew Frinkle

It was night time, and that meant something special for Alisa. It meant penguins! When it was time for bed, her family turned on the computer at night. On the computer, her dad went to a website and turned on a webcam. Alisa and her family would get together on the floor with pillows and blankets and watch the screen before bedtime.

The webcam was from a Zoo, and it was in the penguin habitat. There were many penguins in the exhibit, and they all walked around and acted silly. The penguins were surrounded by rocks and snow, and there was even a place where they could jump in the water to go for a swim. Together, her family laughed at the silly little baby penguins that liked running around with their little flipper arms. They smiled when two penguins started flapping their wings and called out to each other. That was how they argued.

There were several kinds of penguins they could see. Some were tall, with orange spots on their necks. Others looked like they had yellow fuzzy stripes on their heads. The other penguins were black and white with grey eyes, and they were much smaller than the others. Alisa liked those the most because they ran fast. The biggest ones, the Emperor penguins, were fun to look at, too. They puffed out their chests and sat very still.

Sometimes the people at the Zoo would come out in winter clothes because it was cold and they would feed the penguins. That was Alisa's favourite time to watch. The woman would trudge back and forth with big boots on, carrying a shiny silver pail. The little penguins gathered around first, snapping up snacks and tidbits from her gloved hands. Then the big ones would get their food which was usually a big frozen fish. They would gulp it down in one shot.

After half an hour of watching the penguins, Alisa's eyes would get heavy and she'd start to doze off. When she woke up the next day, she was in bed. Her father or mother must have carried her there. It was fun to watch the penguins at night. She learned so much and she got to spend time with her family.

Use the information in the story to answer the questions below. Circle the correct answer below:

1. **What does Alisa's family watch at bedtime?**

   (a) television
   (b) movies
   (c) cartoons
   (d) webcam

(1)

2. **Where is the recording machine that takes these pictures of the penguins situated?**

   (a) the North Pole
   (b) the South Pole
   (c) a Zoo
   (d) Boulders beach in Cape Town

(1)

3. **What kind of penguin does Alisa like the most?**

   (a) The biggest ones
   (b) The little black and white ones
   (c) The ones with fuzzy stripes on their heads
   (d) She likes all of them the same

(1)

4. **When does Alisa enjoy watching the penguins the most?**

   (a) feeding time
   (b) when the penguins are playing
   (c) when the penguins call to each other
   (d) when the penguins chase each other

(1)

5. **What are the two reasons Alisa likes watching the penguins?**

   (a) She doesn't like penguins, but penguin watching is fun.
   (b) She spends time with her family, and she sleeps.
   (c) She learns a lot, and she spends time with her friends.
   (d) She learns a lot, and she spends time with her family.

(1)

6. In paragraph four, what word is a good example of onomatopoeia?

(a) trudge (b) snapping

(c) shot (d) gulp **(1)**

7. Why would Alisa's eyes get heavy after watching the penguins on T.V.?

(a) her eyes were sore (b) she was very tired

(c) she was tired of watching the programme (d) she was not interested

(1)

8. What does the word "habitat" mean in the second paragraph?

(a) nest (b) terrain

(c) dwelling (d) environment

(1)

9. Why do you think penguins can swim even in the coldest water and weather and not feel the cold?

(a) They are just used to the cold weather.
(b) Their feathers are a kind of waterproof layer against their bodies.
(c) They have very thick feathers.
(d) They make sure that they eat a lot so they have a lot of body fat.

(1)

10. What is a baby penguin called?

(a) penguinling (b) nester

(c) chick (d) coastlings

(1)

Marks: 10

QUESTION TWO:

Choose the correct word in the following sentences:

1. The paws/pause of the dog made muddy marks on the carpet.

2. The teacher gave me such a stern stair/stare when I made a noise.

3. I just love eating serial/cereal for breakfast.

4. The sailor tied the cord/chord in such a big knot.

5. It is terrible to have a sore/soar place on one's finger as you cannot write properly.

(5)

QUESTION THREE:

Re-arrange the words in the following sentences to make complete sense.

1. smartphone dad bought His him new yesterday a

2. you best like cupcake What of do kind

3. down walked man The slowly old the road

4. went see They to movie the town in to Uber an

5. cat The little sat the table under

(5)

QUESTION FOUR:

Correct the underlined words in the following sentences:

a) Last nite we had pizza for supper.

b) She has very long hare that she always wears in a ponytail.

c) The little boy fell off the jungle gymn and broke his sholder.

d) The cup and sorcer fell off the table.

e) Are you sertain that it is Sunday tomorrow?

(5)

QUESTION FIVE:

Punctuate the following sentence:

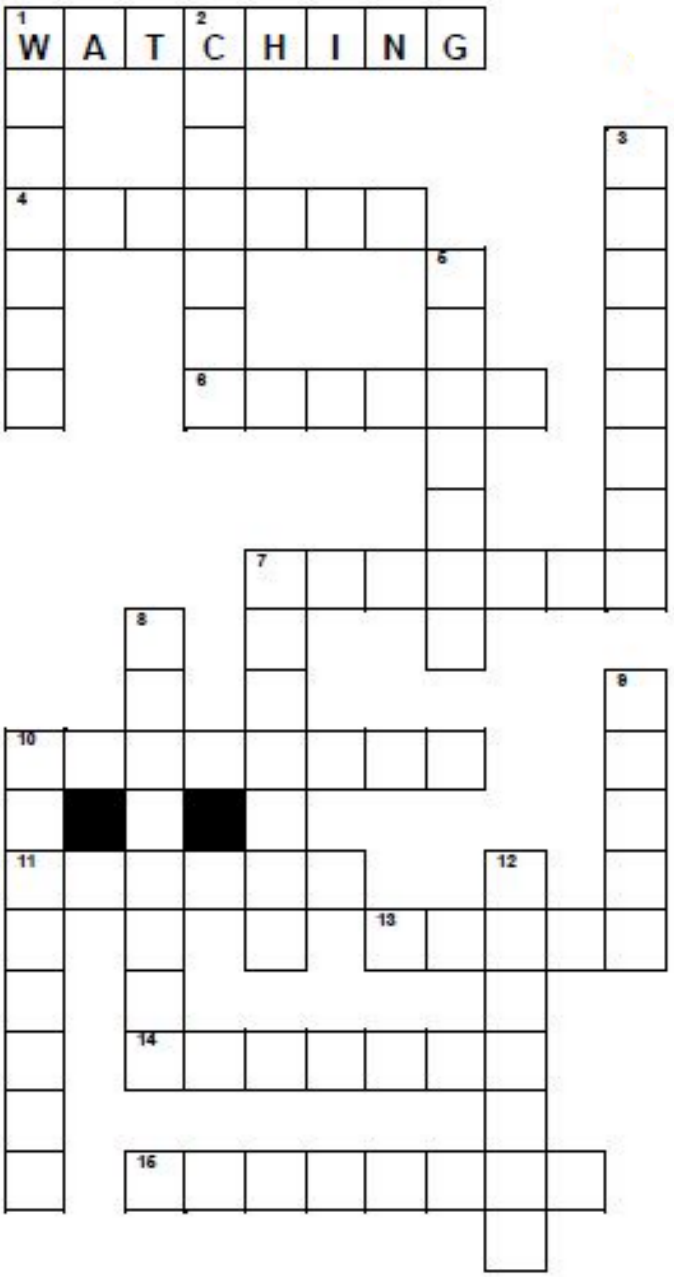
no warned mum dont touch that

The cats mat was nice and fluffy

(7)

QUESTION SIX: PRESENT CONTINUOUS TENSE

Read the clues and fill in the missing verbs:



Across:

1. I am _____ television.
4. I am _____ a ball in the park.
10. I am _____ at the bus stop.
11. I am _____ my breakfast.
16. I am _____ English at the library.
6. I am _____ my cat a bath.
7. I am late! I am ____ to my next class.
13. I am _____ to a movie theatre.
14. The dog is _____ the blind man.

Down:

1. I am _____ to school.
2. I am _____ dinner in the kitchen
3. I am _____ my teeth.
6. I am _____ at my friend's party.
7. I am _____ an interesting book.
8. I am _____ at flowers in the garden.
9. I am _____ my homework.
10. I am _____ the floor with a broom.
12. I am _____ "Happy Birthday" to my classmate.

ACROSS	
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DOWN	
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12.	

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