SOUTH AFRICAN PRIMARY ENGLISH (FAL)
FIRST ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE
OLYMPIAD:
GRADE 1

DATE: 19 AUGUST 2025

TIME: 60 MINUTES

Instructions:

1. Read the instructions slowly and carefully to your learners

2. When you read the instructions, make sure learners follow in their booklets. You must also read the instructions twice.

3. Try not to explain the questions and allow learners to answer independently in the spaces provided below.

4. Once learners have answered the questions independently, move on to read the next question.

5. Follow the same procedure throughout the whole paper without ever guiding the learners toward the correct answers.

6. There are 6 questions in this paper and it is out of 25 marks.

7. Visit the website: www.saolympiads.co.za.

NAME OF LEARNER:	
SCHOOL:	**GRADE:**

QUESTION ONE:

Look at the pictures below:

1.1 With what letter does the picture below begin?

_____ **(1)**

1.2 With what letter does the picture below begin?

_____ **(1)**

1.3 Complete the missing vowel below:

c		w

(1)

1.4 Use the words in the boxes below to name the pictures underneath the words:

mouse	eggs	milk	house	key

1.4.1

1.4.2

1.4.3

_____ _____ _____

(3)

Marks: 6

QUESTION TWO:
Read the story called Elmo's First Book of Colours and answer the questions that follow:

Cookie is blue from head to toe,

And so is the sled that glides through the snow.

Oscar the Grouch is as green as can be, just like the leaves on the big shady tree.

Big Bird is yellow his feathers so bright.

Just like the boat, the sun and the kite.

2.1 Place a cross next to the correct answer

What colour is Cookie? **(1)**

Green	
Blue	
Red	

2.2 What else is also blue? **(1)**

Snow	
Sled	
Santa	

2.3 You use a sled when playing in the… **(1)**

Sun	
Snow	
Swimming pool	

2.4 Blue is a …. **(1)**

Shape	
Number	
Colour	

2.5 What colour is Oscar? **(1)**

Blue	
Green	
Yellow	

2.6 What else is green? **(1)**

Leaves	
Trash can	
Pot	

Marks: 6

QUESTION THREE:

3.1 Big Bird is yellow, his feathers so bright just like the boat, the sun and the kite.

From the sentence above what is yellow. Tick all the correct answers below:

The sea	
The sun	
The boat	
The kite	

(3)

3.2 Rewrite the sentences below with capital letters and full stops.

3.2 .1 zoe is orange and so is her ball

_____

3.2.2 elmo's fur is red like his drink from starbucks

_____

(5)

Marks:8

QUESTION FOUR:

Nouns are naming words.

4.1 Circle the correct common noun/s from the options below:

The hat and bucket is red.

a) The

b) hat

c) red

d) bucket

(2)

4.2 Verbs are doing words or actions.

Circle the verb in the sentence below.

Big Bird knits a ball of wool.

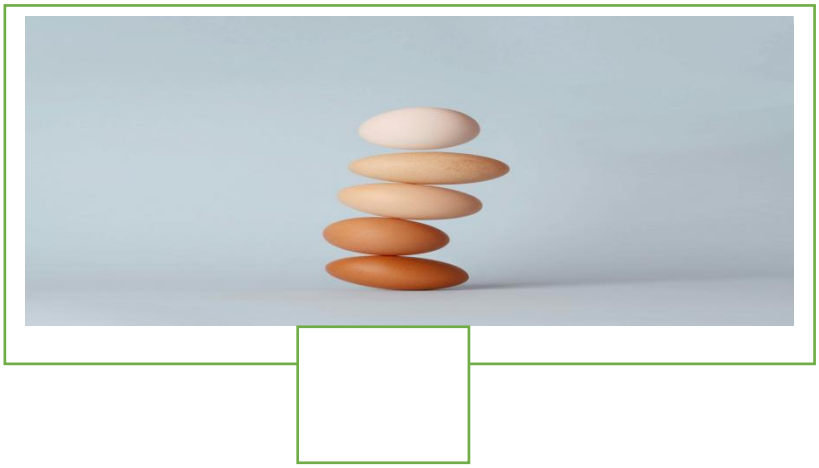
a) **Big**
b) **Bird**
c) **knits**
d) **wool**

(1)

Marks:3

QUESTION FIVE:

5.1 How many eggs are there in the block below? Write out the number in words.



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QUESTION SIX:

6.1 Solve the riddle below:

I am orange and crunchy and bunnies love to eat me. What am I?

_____ **(1)**

TOTAL FOR PAPER: 25