SOUTH AFRICAN PRIMARY ENGLISH (FAL)
FIRST ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE
OLYMPIAD:
GRADE 3

DATE: 19 AUGUST 2025

TIME: 60 MINUTES

Instructions:

1. This booklet has 10 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:

Read the adapted passage from *The Enormous Crocodile* by Roald Dahl below and then answer the questions by choosing the correct option for each answer.

The Enormous Crocodile grinned showing hundreds of sharp white teeth.

"For my lunch today," he said, "I would like a nice juicy little child."

"I never eat children." the not so big one said. "Only fish."

"Ho, ho, ho!" cried the Enormous Crocodile.

"I'll bet if you saw a juicy little child paddling in the water over there at this very moment, you'd gulp them in one gallop!"

"No, I wouldn't." the not so big one said.

"Children are too tough and chewy. They are tough and chewy and nasty and bitter."

"Tough and chewy!" cried the Enormous Crocodile. "Nasty and bitter! What an awful tommyrot you! They are juicy and yummy!"

1.1 How many sharp teeth did the Enormous Crocodile show? (1)

1 000	
100	
10	

1.2 How does the Crocodile describe children? Tick the correct answer/s. (2)

big	
nice	
juicy	

1.3 What does the not so big crocodile eat? (1)

Children	
Sharks	
Fish	

1.4 How many crocodiles are there in this story? (1)

one	
two	
three	

1.5 Why won't the not so big crocodile eat children? Tick the correct answer/s. (2)

He finds them chewy	
He finds them too sweet	
He finds them nasty	

1.6 In how many gulps did the Enormous crocodile bet the not so big crocodile will eat a child in? (1)

One gulp	
Two gulps	
Three gulps	

1.7 What did the Enormous crocodile call the not so big crocodile? (1)

Tom cat	
Johnnyrot	
Tommyrot	

1.8 Which meal were the crocodiles discussing? (1)

Breakfast	
Lunch	
Supper	

1.9 Why does the Enormous crocodile enjoy eating children? **(1)**

He finds children yummy and juicy.	
He finds children tough and bitter.	
He finds children big and bitter.	

1.10 What is a synonym for "Enormous"? **(1)**

small	
huge	
petite	

1.11 The picture below is a picture of a_____ (hint the answer is in the story). **(1)**

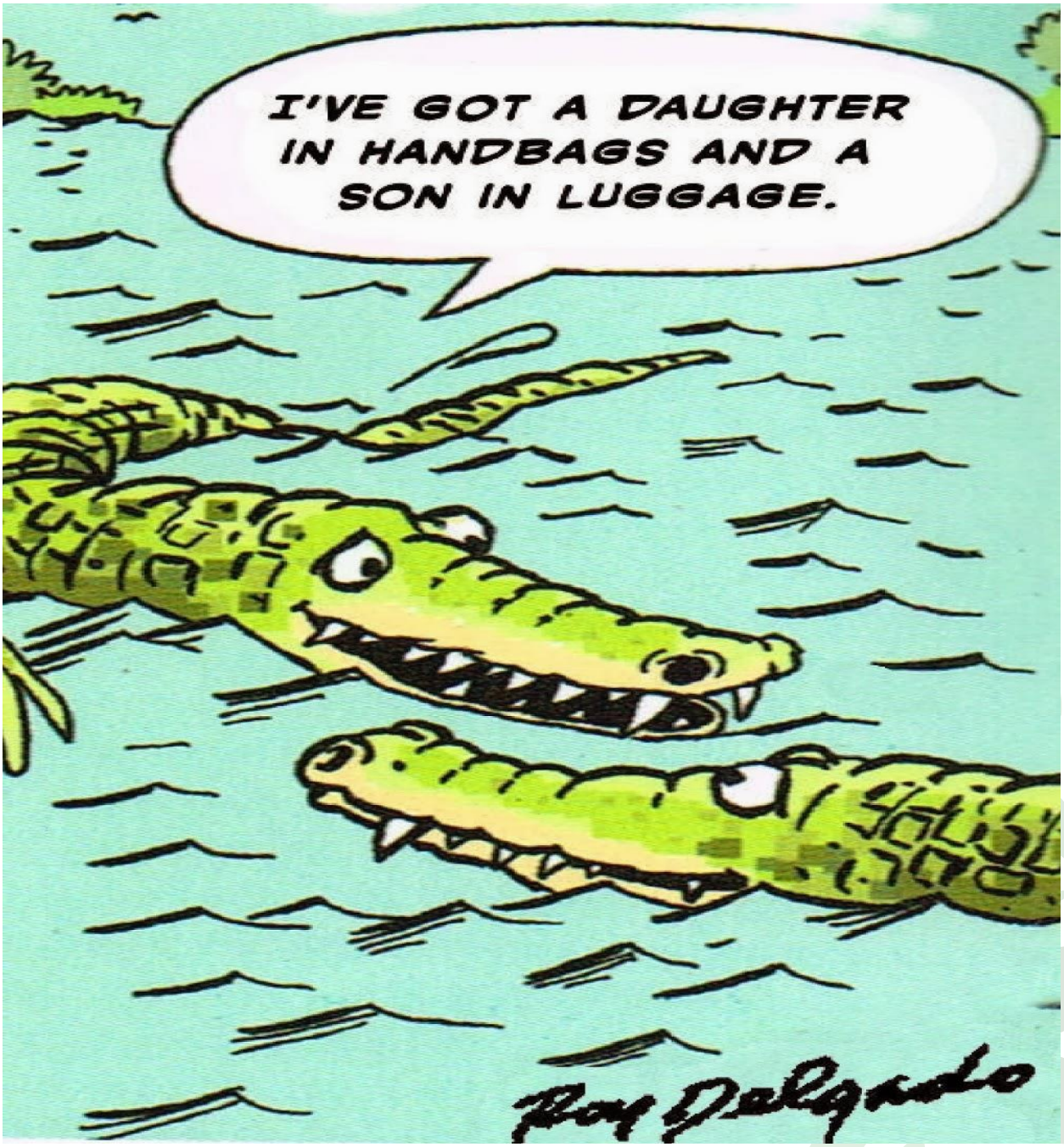
1.12 The picture below is a picture of _____ (hint the answer is in the story).

(1)

Marks: 14

QUESTION TWO:

Look at the cartoon below and answer the questions that follow:



[Source: Reader's Digest]

2.1 Complete the saying, "Don't cry crocodile _____." (1)

2.2 How many children did the crocodile have? (1)

2.3 What happened to the crocodile's son? (1)

2.4 What issue does the cartoon speak about? (1)

2.5 What does, "Snap like a crocodile," mean? (1)

Marks: 5

QUESTION THREE:

Nouns are naming words.

3.1 The crocodile swims fast. Circle the common noun.

a) The

b) crocodile

c) swims

d) fast (1)

3.2 Roy drew the cartoon. Circle the proper noun.

a) Roy

b) drew

c) the

d) cartoon (1)

3.3 Fill in the correct noun to complete the sentence. Use the picture to help you.

The crocodiles are swimming in the _____ .

(1)

Marks: 3

QUESTION FOUR:

Underline the verbs (doing words) in the sentence below:

4.1 The Enormous Crocodile grinned.

4.2 A little child paddled in the water.

4.3 The not so big crocodile cried.

4.4 The Enormous Crocodile ate his lunch.

(4)

Marks: 4

QUESTION FIVE:

Fill in the correct punctuation marks to complete these sentences:

5.1 The Enormous Crocodile loves eating children

5.2 Who will find their lunch first

5.3 "Ho " cried the Enormous Crocodile (3)

Marks: 3

QUESTION SIX:

Provide the opposite word for the underlined word below:

6.1 Children were bitter. (1)

_____

6.2 The crocodiles swim quickly. (1)

_____

6.3 The Enormous Crocodile laughed loudly. (1)

_____

Marks: 3

QUESTION SEVEN:

Like in Hangman, you need to complete these sentences. Add the letters in the space below to complete the sentence. Remember to make use of punctuation rules.

7.1 _____he Enormous Crocodile looked for children to eat.

7.2 ____e thought children tasted yummy.

7.3 _____ t's almost lunch time.

(3)

Marks: 3

QUESTION EIGHT:

Fill in the plurals:

8.1. tooth _____

8.2 bunch _____

8.3 tree _____

8.4 crocodile _____

8.5 tail _____

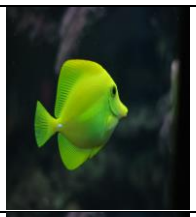
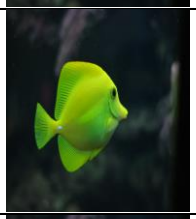
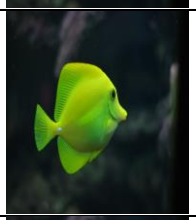
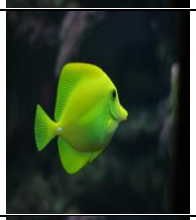
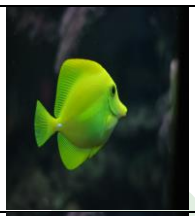
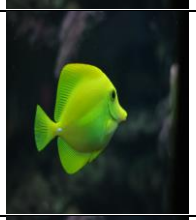
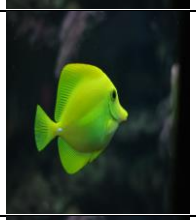
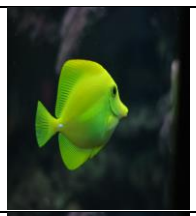
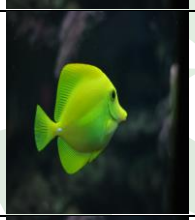
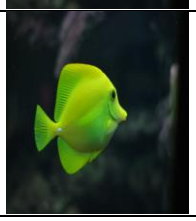
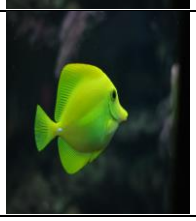
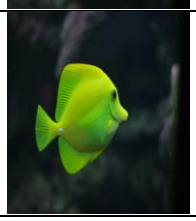
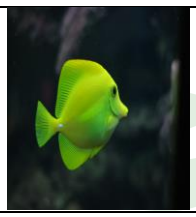
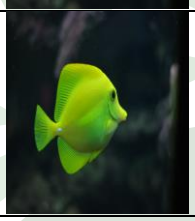
8.6 fish _____

(6)

Marks: 6

QUESTION NINE:

Look at the graph below of how many fish the not so big crocodile ate for lunch in the week.

Fish eaten					
5					
4					
3					
2					
1					
DAYS	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY

9.1 On which day did the crocodile eat the most fish? (1)

9.2 On which day did the crocodile eat the least fish? (1)

9.3 How many fish were eaten on Friday? (1)

9.4 How many fish were eaten for lunch on Monday? (1)

9.5 How many more fish did the crocodile eat on Tuesday than on Monday? (1)

9.6 How many fish did the crocodile eat altogether? (1)

Marks: 6

QUESTION 10:

Fill in the missing vowels to find out the secret message.

10. 1

L		n	c	h

10.2

t	i	m	

10.3

T	r	e		t	s

MESSAGE

The crocodile will enjoy _____ .

(3)

Marks: 3

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