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■ Read the text and then answer the questions.

Sean was going on a plane to visit his uncle. He was flying with his older sister. It was the first time they had ever been on a plane without their parents. Sean's sister was old enough to fly by herself and she would look after Sean. Their mother had packed a bag with games and snacks for the short flight. Sean watched as the flight attendants shut the overhead cabins. He smiled with satisfaction as he heard the engines start up, and he was ready to go!

1. What is the text about?

- a This is a story about a plane carrying only two passengers.
- b This is a story about a child travelling with his sister on a plane.
- c This is a story about feeling lonely on an aeroplane trip.
- d This is a story about a passenger wanting to be left alone on a plane.

2. What is the setting?

- a Sean's house.
- b a park
- c a supermarket
- d an airport

3. Which word has the same vowel sound as *plane*?

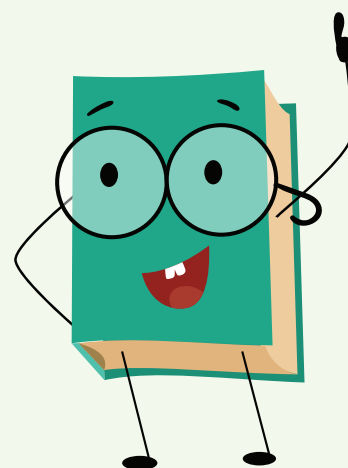
- a upload
- b plan
- c gate
- d plot

4. What is the definition of *attendants*?

- a servants
- b workers who serve or help the public
- c people who sell tickets
- d people who fly planes

5. Which is a synonym for *satisfaction*?

- a happiness
- b sadness
- c loneliness
- d grumpiness



■ Read the text and then answer the questions.

Sasha really wanted to buy a present for her sister. She had saved up money and set it aside. She knew her sister wanted a stuffed bear. Sasha rode her bike to a nearby shop. She looked around. Finally, she pulled out a bear that was perfect. Sasha gave it to her sister. Her sister's face lit up like fireworks.

1. Which title would best fit this text?

- a Saving money
- b A special birthday gift
- c Happy sisters
- d Riding my bike

2. What is one setting for this text?

- a a playground
- b a shop
- c a restaurant
- d a birthday party

3. Which word has the same vowel sound as *bike*?

- a bit
- b type
- c tick
- d bring



4. Which word from the text means *close*?

- a aside
- b perfect
- c nearby
- d buy

5. What is an example of a simile in this text?

- a set it aside
- b lit up like fireworks
- c bear that was perfect
- d to a nearby shop

■ Read the text and then answer the questions.

Brian keeps all of his sports gear in order in his room. He has jerseys for all three sports that he plays. These include basketball, football and hurling. He has practice clothes for these sports, too. Brian is also in charge of the equipment. He has a ball, water bottles and shin guards for football. He also has a hurling stick and a sliotar. These sports require a lot of items!

1. Which title would tell a reader more about this text?

- a Staying organised
- b Sports gear
- c Brian's dilemma
- d Jerseys

2. What is the setting for this text?

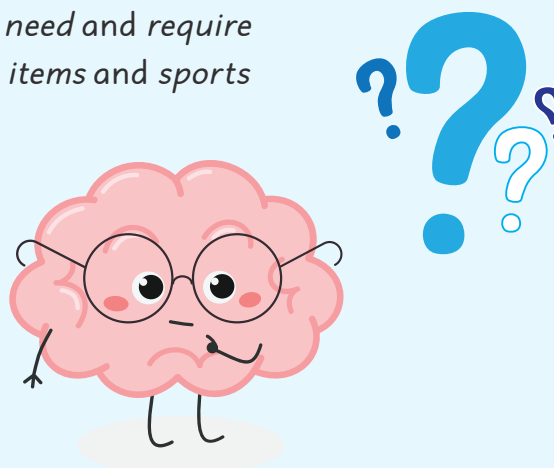
- a a playing field
- b at football practice
- c Brian's room
- d the sporting goods shop

3. Which word has the same vowel sound as *room*?

- a love
- b food
- c took
- d roam

4. Which of these words mean the same thing?

- a *all and includes*
- b *keep and order*
- c *need and require*
- d *items and sports*



5. Which word best describes the language used in this text?

- a dramatic
- b fancy
- c conversational
- d informative

Sending thanks

10th May 2021

Dear Grandma,

I wanted to write you a note to say thank you for my present. It came in the post yesterday, the day before my birthday. I love the books! How did you know that I was reading the series on Ancient Egypt? Did my dad tell you that I am interested in that topic?

I also loved the football clothes. My next season starts in a few weeks, and I can wear these clothes for my weekly football practice. I really hope I score a few goals this season. I'm going to work really hard to try to make that happen.

When will you be able to visit me here? I miss you so much and hope we can see each other soon. I know the plane ride can be a long one, but I really hope that I see you.

Did my mum tell you that I am almost done with Third class? I have only six more weeks until summer holidays, and I can't wait for the break. We are going camping at the river. I am so excited to jump into the water with the rope swing. That is the best!

I love you, Grandma. Thanks again for my birthday presents.

Love from,
Gráinne



■ Read 'Sending thanks' and then answer the questions.

1. Think about the title. Which prediction is the most accurate for the letter?

- a A character has to say thank you but does not want to.
- b This is a thank-you letter to a family member.
- c A character sends thank-you flowers instead of a card.
- d A character tells another person thank you in person.

2. What message is the author sending to readers?

- a Summer holidays always include camping.
- b Grandmothers live far away.
- c Thank-you notes are important.
- d Football is a brutal competition.

3. Who might make a connection to Gráinne's experience?

- a a person who loves summer
- b a child who does not like camping
- c a child who has to write thank-you notes after Christmas
- d a person who plays football

4. Which statement is true about Gráinne?

- a She loves her grandma.
- b She likes Ancient Egypt.
- c She has good manners.
- d all of the above

5. What lesson could a reader learn from this letter?

- a Sending a thank-you note to a grandparent is a kind thing to do.
- b Birthdays involve lots of presents.
- c Grandchildren are spoiled.
- d Summer holidays are a time to relax.

6. What other type of text would be most like this text?

- a a biography about the Taoiseach
- b a non-fiction text about Ancient Egypt
- c a newspaper article about rope swings
- d a fictional story about a young girl who makes cards for her friends.



