Reading Grade 3 — Practice Paper 3 — Answers & Explanations

Answers to the 18 questions in the free preview.

Grandma’s new phone — page 2 of the magazine

1. Answer: 11
The story says, “By Wednesday, Zoe had eleven messages from her.”

2. A. She did not know how to use the phone yet.
It was her first phone and a day old; the thumb photo and the capital letters show she was still learning how it worked.

3. B. her message was all in capital letters
Zoe explains that Grandma just does not know how to turn off the capital letters.

4. C. how to make the letters small
Zoe showed her how to take a photo the right way round, make the letters small and send a smiling face.

5. D. had learned how to use the phone
Her first photos were of her ear and thumb; after practicing, she sends a sharp, bright photo.

6. A. Grandma will teach Zoe to knit.
Grandma writes that it is her turn to teach, and asks Zoe to bring knitting needles. Zoe has never knitted.

How do bees make honey? — page 3 of the magazine

7. B. a sweet liquid from flowers
The text says the bee drinks a sweet liquid called nectar from flowers.

8. C. in her honey stomach
She stores the nectar in a special part of her body called a honey stomach.

9. D. It gets a little thicker.
The third paragraph says each time, the nectar gets a little thicker.

10. A. to dry out the water
The text says they fan it with their wings to dry out the water, so runny nectar becomes thick honey.

11. B. this is the last step
Finally is a time word used to show the last step in a sequence, after Next.

12. C. the steps for making honey in order
The boxes and arrows go from drinking nectar to covering the cells with wax: the steps of the text in order.

Every class needs a pet — page 4 of the magazine

13. D. every class to have a pet
In his first paragraph he says every class in the school should have a pet.

14. A. A pet teaches us to be responsible.
The paragraph starting First is about being responsible: feeding, water and cleaning the cage.

15. B. to give an example of how pets help people feel calm
It comes in the paragraph about pets making a classroom calmer, as an example from his own life.

16. C. noisy or messy
Aiden says, “Some people say pets are noisy or messy.”

17. D. He says the cage can be cleaned every Friday.
He says that if the class cleans the cage every Friday, it will not be messy at all.

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18. A. help listeners follow his reasons

Each word starts a new reason, so listeners can keep track of his argument.

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