

English

KS2

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Year 4 Reading Assessment Answer Booklet

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Questions 1 to 14 are about the text 'Cats'

1. How many pet cats live in Britain? **Circle one.**

5 million

9000

9 million

2000

1 mark

2. Using the information on page 3, use the numbers 1-5 to put them in chronological order (oldest first)

Cats were used during the First World War to control rats on ships.

The first carnivores that looked like cats walked the earth.

Romans introduced cats to Europe.

Over 9 million cats now live in Britain.

African wildcats began to enter towns in search of food.

1 mark

Use the table on page 6 to answer questions 3 and 4.

1 mark

3. Which breed of cat is welcoming to visitors?

4. Which breed of cat might join you in the shower?

1 mark

total for this page

5. Using the information on page 4, draw lines to match these cat feelings to the correct body language.

1 mark

friendly

tail up, ears facing forward,
walking towards you

unhappy

crouched position, tail tucked under,
eyes large and darting

relaxed

tail up, rubs side of head and body
around your legs, might roll over



6. On page 6, different breeds of cat are listed. Which word has the closest meaning to 'breed' in this context? Circle one.

1 mark

name

animal

type



7. Find and copy the reason that the Egyptians welcomed cats into their homes.

1 mark



8. What is the author's opinion of cats? Using words from the text, **give two reasons** for your answer.

2 marks



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this page

9. Find and copy two ways in which a cat uses body language to show he is very scared.

2 marks

1.

2.

10. Which breed of cat might you choose if you can't have a dog? Give **one** reason why.

1 mark

11. On page 5, the author has used a different colour for some of the words on the page. Give **two** reasons why.

2 marks

1.

2.

12. What might a Bengal cat do to get your attention?

1 mark

total for this page

13. Give **one** reason why cats were important during the First World War.

1 mark

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14. Why has the author written this text about cats?
Using the text, give at least three reasons for your opinion.

3 marks

End of questions about the text 'Cats'

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Questions 15 to 23 are about the poem *'It Couldn't Be Done'*

15. Is the poem about

a man

or

a woman

? Circle one.

1 mark

16. Find and copy **two** things that he took off before 'he'd begun it' (line 11)

1. _____

2. _____

1 mark

17. Which word means the same as 'prophesy' (line 18)? Circle one.

predict

sing

carry

1 mark

18. Look at line 7 of each verse.

Find and copy the words which show what he did 'as he tackled the thing'.

1 mark

total for
this page

19. Look at verse 1. Give two ways in which the author shows that 'he' was happy.

2 marks

1.

2.

20. Look at verse 3. Find and copy the repeated word which indicates how many people 'tell you it cannot be done'.

1 mark

21. Line 14 says 'Without any doubting or quiddit'.
What do you think *quiddit* means in this context? **Circle one.**

1 mark

joy that it is being done

worry about whether it can be done

22. How does the beginning of each verse in this poem differ in mood to the end of each verse?

2 marks

total for this page

23. What is the author trying to tell his audience through this poem?
Give at least 2 pieces of evidence from the text to support your answer.

3 marks

End of questions about the poem '*It Couldn't Be Done*'



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Questions 24 to 36 are about the story 'Snowball and Ebony'

Circle one:

24. Snowball was

a street cat

a wild cat

a show cat

a tabby cat

1 mark

25. Ebony was

a white cat

a well-fed cat

a pampered cat

a hungry street cat

1 mark

26. Order these events as they happen in the story. Number them 1, 2, 3, 4.

Snowball brings the black cat home with her.

The grey cat attacks Snowball.

Snowball wanders restlessly around the house.

The black cat fights off the other cats.

1 mark

27. Find and copy the phrase that tell us how Snowball's meals were served to her.

1 mark

total for this page

28. In paragraph 5, 'the wind blew the few remaining leaves from the trees'.

Draw a line to match 'remaining' to its meaning.

remaining

colourful

left-over

wet

1 mark

29. Find and copy two things that Snowball did straight after she ran through the front door, before she met the three street cats

1.

2.

2 marks

30. '... but to the pampered runaway it seemed far more **desirable** than the cream she had left untasted in her own Dresden china plate.'

What does 'desirable' mean in this context?

1 mark

total for this page

31. How did Snowball feel when the other cats attacked her? Support your answer with at least two examples from the text.

2 marks

32. How has Ebony's life changed by the end of the story? Give at least two examples.

2 marks

33. Do you think Snowball will ever stray from her house again? Give a reason for your answer.

1 mark

34. At the end of the story, how would you describe Snowball's feelings? **Circle one.**

1 mark

frustrated and lonely angry and defensive kind and shy safe and grateful

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35. Look at paragraph 11 (starting 'In the silence that followed....'). **Find and copy a word** used by the author to show that Snowball opened her eyes slowly and carefully.

1 mark

36. What was Snowball's life like before she met Ebony? Use words from the text to explain what the difference is.

3 marks

End of questions about the story 'Snowball and Ebony'

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