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SCHOOL: _____

YOUR TEACHER'S NAME: _____

7th GRADE

1. Which of these phrases are used to begin a story and to end a story? Put **B** for begin and **E** for end in the spaces below.

1. One dark night _____
2. In the end we _____
3. Five years ago _____
4. Once when I was sixteen years old _____
5. This happened _____
6. Finally, I _____
7. It was all a dream. _____
8. A very long time ago _____

Points: __/2

2. Look at the pictures and complete the story with these words.

hit someone on the head embarrassed woman ~~librarian~~ boomerang shop assistant folder witness mouse raincoat boomerang

One day a (0) *librarian* was leaving work at the library. She was wearing a (1) _____ because it was raining and she was holding a (2) _____ with papers in one hand and a (3) _____ in the other. Suddenly, a (4) _____ ran up her leg and the (5) _____ screamed. The (6) _____ fell out of her hands and flew off in the air and then it (7) _____. A (8) _____ saw what happened. He called the police and offered to be the (9) _____. The poor woman was really (10) _____.

Points: __/10



3. Read 'The Watchers' story.

1. There is a man watching me. He doesn't think I know he's there, but I do. He was there yesterday, too, staring at my home as if he was waiting for something. He is carrying some sort of machine and it is making me nervous. I am scared and don't want to go out so I am sitting here watching him back. I worry about going outside but with a young family to feed I have to go to the shops. I go and come back quickly.
2. So far I have managed to slip out quietly, to get food from the local stores, without him realising I'm gone. The family know something is wrong even though I try to keep it from them by acting normally and keeping them away from the front entrance. To make it worse there are two of them today. The new one has a strange stick he talks into - he moves around; maybe he is more dangerous than the watcher.
3. My family is hungry again and getting restless. They need to stretch their legs and run and play in the open. We can't stay prisoners like this for much longer. I'm going out for supplies and have decided that if the watcher and the talker are still there when we have eaten, I will face the danger.
4. The time has come, the meal is over and they are still there, still watching. I push the family back and away from the entrance. I walk slowly down the passage and outside. I take a few steps forward and sit down - I stare at them. They seem surprised to see me and move their machines about. The birds go silent as I break into a run. I must protect my family. Suddenly all is quiet. They have gone. No one is watching. My family is safe.



By Archie O'Dair, 14 years old.

A. Answer the questions

1. Why is the man in the house nervous? _____
2. Why does he need to go outside? _____
3. Did the 'watcher' see him leave? How do you know? (find evidence in the text) _____
4. Why can't the members of the family stay prisoners for much longer? _____
5. Why does he go outside again? _____
6. What happens when he goes outside? _____

Points: __/12

B. Find a word in the text that means:

- a.Paragraph 1: Another word for “frightened” _____
- b.Paragraph 1: A phrasal verb which means “to return” _____
- c.Paragraph 2: Places you go to buy things _____
- d.Paragraph 2: Another name for the hall in a house _____
- e.Paragraph 3: When you feel the need to move around or do something active _____
- f.Paragraph 4: To look at someone for a long time _____
- g.Paragraph 4: the opposite of “noisy” _____
- h.Paragraph 4: Not in danger _____

Points: __/8

4. Complete these sentences with the verb in the correct tense.

1. My mum was making breakfast when I (get up) **got up**.
2. I _____ (**watch**) television when suddenly I heard a noise upstairs.
3. I (**not do**) _____ my homework while I was watching TV.
4. When you called us, we (**sit**) _____ in the café.
5. I was buying a new computer game when the robber (**run**) _____ into the shop.
6. My dad (**not drive**) _____ very fast when the other car hit him.
7. I (**decide**) _____ to go and buy a new book to read. In the shop I (**see**) _____ my best friend, she (**buy**) _____ the same book in the same bookshop! I couldn't believe it!

Points: __/8

