

Qu.	Answer	Mark	Notes
1	Circle the correct option to complete the sentence below. The text begins with Nora returning from the Post Office...		
	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; width: 150px;">through the bustling streets.</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; width: 150px; border-radius: 10px;">along the shoreline.</div> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-top: 10px;"> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; width: 150px;">on her bicycle.</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; width: 150px;">across the rocky hillside.</div> </div>	1	<p>Content Domain: 2b To retrieve and record information/identify key details from fiction and non-fiction.</p> <p>Award one mark for: along the shoreline.</p>
2	Look at the first paragraph of the text. What evidence is there within this paragraph which shows that the weather is hot during Nora's journey? Give three points.		
	<p>Award two marks for reference to any three of the following acceptable points. Award one mark for reference to any two of the following acceptable points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nora wiped the sweat from her brow. • The cool breeze of last week's storm had long since passed. • The sun was back to its sweltering best. • The sun was shining brightly from a cloudless sky. <p>Do not accept:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nora's mouth was becoming drier. 	2	<p>Content Domain: 2d To make inferences from the text/explain and justify inferences with evidence from the text.</p> <p>Secondary Content Domain: 2b To retrieve and record information/identify key details from fiction and non-fiction.</p> <p>Award two marks for three correct answers.</p> <p>Award one mark for two correct answers.</p>
3	<i>it wound its way through a small thicket of palm trees</i> Which phrase is closest in meaning to the word <i>thicket</i> ? Tick one.		
	<p>a dense group ✓</p> <p>a sparse patch</p> <p>a vacant plot</p> <p>an enclosure</p>	1	<p>Content Domain: 2a To give/explain the meaning of words in context.</p> <p>Award one mark for: a dense group</p>
4	Look at the paragraph beginning, <i>Nora ran between the banana plants...</i> Find and copy one word from this paragraph that is closest in meaning to <i>burnt</i> .		
	scorched	1	<p>Content Domain: 2a To give/explain the meaning of words in context.</p> <p>Award one mark for: scorched</p>

5	<p><i>She whizzed past a group of fishermen, then sprinted up a narrow channel of fresh water that led to her home.</i> What impression do the author's choice of verbs give you about Nora's speed?</p>		
	<p>Award one mark for reference to any of the following acceptable points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Whizzed and sprinted show that Nora was moving quickly. • They show that Nora was determined to get home very quickly. 	1	<p>Content Domain: 2g To identify/explain how meaning is enhanced through choice of words and phrases.</p> <p>Award one mark for any acceptable point.</p>
6	<p>Look at the paragraph beginning, <i>Nora ran between the banana plants</i> How is the reader given the impression that the content of the envelope is important? Discuss two ways.</p>		
	<p>Award up to two marks for reference to any two of the following acceptable points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • She held the envelope high above her head to stop it becoming wet. • She was racing home with the letter knowing the importance of its contents. • Nora was sprinting home to show her Grandma the contents of the envelope. 	Up to 2	<p>Content Domain: 2d To make inferences from the text/explain and justify inferences with evidence from the text.</p> <p>Award up to two marks only for appropriate reference to any two of the given points.</p>
7	<p><i>"Grandmother!" Nora wheezed, bending over to catch her breath.</i> Why was Nora out of breath? Tick one.</p>		
	<p>The weather was exceptionally warm.</p> <p>She had tired herself out by rushing home. ✓</p> <p>Nora was unwell and had a cough.</p> <p>She did not like the smell of the plantation.</p>	1	<p>Content Domain: 2d To make inferences from the text/explain and justify inferences with evidence from the text.</p> <p>Award one mark for: She had tired herself out by rushing home.</p>
8	<p>Draw lines to match each part of the story with the correct quotation from the text.</p>		
		1	<p>Content Domain: 2f To identify/explain how information/narrative content is related and contributes to meaning as a whole.</p> <p>Award one mark for all lines drawn correctly.</p>

9	Which two things did Nora associate with the smell of her father? Tick two .		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • herbs • spices ✓ • coconut ✓ • flowers 	1	<p>Content Domain: 2b To retrieve and record information/identify key details from fiction and non-fiction.</p> <p>Award one mark for: spices and coconut.</p>
10	Give three things that you learn about Father in his first letter to Nora.		
	<p>Award two marks for reference to any three acceptable points. Award one mark for reference to any two of the following acceptable points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It has been a while since he has written to her. • He is in the Royal Navy. • He must write using standard English. • He is finding it tricky to find a post office. • He spends his days looking for mines. • He helps ships which have been torpedoed. • He travels across the Atlantic Ocean. • He is worried about the threat of German submarines. • He wants to know what is going on in Nora's life. • He is far away from Nora. • He misses Nora. • <u>He loves Nora.</u> 	Up to 2	<p>Content Domain: 2b To retrieve and record information/identify key details from fiction and non-fiction.</p> <p>Secondary Content Domain: 2d To make inferences from the text/explain and justify inferences with evidence from the text.</p> <p>Award two marks for three correct answers.</p> <p>Award one mark for two correct answers.</p>
11	Give one way that the text shows that Nora and her father are similar.		
	<p>Award one mark for reference to any of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • They both call Banana Island home. • They both enjoy writing to each other. • They both enjoy receiving letters from each other. • They love each other greatly. • They both have a smile as wide as the Caribbean Sea. 	1	<p>Content Domain: 2h To make comparisons within the text.</p> <p>Award one mark for appropriate reference to any of the given points.</p>

12	The sun warmed her arms and back and she closed her eyes, breathing in her father's familiar scent. What does <i>familiar</i> mean?		
	Award one mark for reference to any of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • well-known • experienced often • something you have a good knowledge of 	1	Content Domain: 2a To give/explain the meaning of words in context. Award one mark for appropriate reference to any of the given points.
13	Reflect on the text as a whole. What impression is the reader given about the character of Nora? Discuss two points, using evidence from the text to support your answer.		
	<p>Acceptable points:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Nora is physically fit. 2. Nora felt emotional about her father's absence. 3. She admires her father. 4. Nora works hard to support her grandmother. 5. Nora is religious. 6. She is sentimental about the letters she receives from her father. 7. She loves her father. <p>Award 3 marks for two acceptable points, with at least one supported with evidence, e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The reader is given the impression that Nora works hard to support her grandmother because the text says that she had been working on the banana plantation a lot more recently. We are also given the impression that Nora is very fit and healthy. [AP4 + evidence and AP1] <p>Award 2 marks for either two acceptable points, or one acceptable point supported with evidence, e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The reader is given the impression that Nora is religious because she says that she said a prayer for her father. [AP5 + evidence] • The reader is given the impression that Nora loves her father and that she feels emotional about him being away from home. [AP2 + AP7] <p>Award 1 mark for one acceptable point, e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The reader is given the impression that Nora admires her father. [AP3] 	Up to 3	<p>Content Domain: 2d To make inferences from the text/explain and justify inferences with evidence from the text.</p> <p>Secondary Content Domain: 2b To retrieve and record information/identify key details from fiction and non-fiction.</p> <p>Award 3 marks for two acceptable points, with at least one supported with evidence.</p> <p>Award 2 marks for either two acceptable points, or one acceptable point supported with evidence.</p> <p>Award 1 mark for one acceptable point.</p>

14	Based on what you have read, do you think that Nora and her father will have to send each other more letters in the future? Use evidence from the text to support your prediction.																
	<p>Acceptable points (yes):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Nora's father is in the RAF. There could be another war in future. <p>Acceptable points (no):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The war is over. He says that his final mission was to return home. <p>Award two marks for one acceptable point supported with evidence from the text, e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yes, I think that they will send letters in the future because it says in his letters that Nora's father is in the RAF. This means that he could be recalled to serve at any moment. [AP1 + evidence] No, I do not think they will send letters to each other in the future because her father has now returned home for good. I know this because it says the war is over in the text. [AP3 + evidence] <p>Award one mark for one acceptable point, e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yes, I think they will write again in the future because there may be another war. No, I don't think they will write in future because Nora's father is now home. <p>Do not accept answers that speculate about Nora and her father's future behaviour without reference to what has happened in the text.</p>	<p>Up to 2</p> <p>Content Domain: 2e To predict what might happen from details stated and implied.</p> <p>Award 2 marks for one acceptable points supported with evidence.</p> <p>Award 1 mark for one acceptable point.</p>															
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16	Number the following events 1-5 to show the order in which they happened. The first one has been done for you.	
	<p>Award one mark only for all of the points numbered correctly.</p> <p>Father explained that he was about to be sent on a secret mission. 4</p> <p>Nora rushed home with the first white envelope. 1</p> <p>Father explained that he would be writing using standard English. 3</p> <p>Nora saw a tall man standing on the edge of the veranda. 5</p> <p>Nora's grandmother handed a letter to Nora. 2</p>	<p>1</p> <p>Content Domain: 2c To summarise main ideas from more than one paragraph.</p> <p>Award one mark only for the correct sequence.</p>