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HALF YEARLY EXAMINATIONS
Maria Regina College

Scholastic Year 2014/2015

Year 4

English

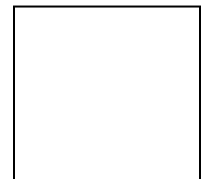
Time: 1 hour 15 minutes

(Reading Comprehension, Language and Writing)

Name: _____

Class: _____

School: _____



Total 60 marks

A. Reading Comprehension

(20 marks)

Read the following passage carefully.

Beansie does it again

Beansie is playing in the yard with his little sister Mopsie. The two puppy dogs are very playful. They are both brown with white tips on their tails. They are running around and chasing butterflies together. **(paragraph 1)**

"I bet you that I can run faster than you," Beansie teases his sister. **(paragraph 2)**

"I can beat you, Beansie!" Mopsie tells him. "Girls can do anything better than boys can." Mrs. Jones is relaxing on her favourite lawn chair, a book in her hand and a tall, cool drink on the table next to her. **(paragraph 3)**

They begin to run around the yard together. They are running wildly and having a wonderful time. Then it happens. Beansie loses his balance and crashes into Mrs. Jones' vegetable garden. He topples over her tomatoes. He crushes her potatoes and lettuce. He gets up and looks at Mrs. Jones. She is slowly getting out of her chair. She looks like she is about to cry. Beansie knows how much she loves her garden. Her vegetables and flowers are her pride and joy. He hangs his head down in shame. Her garden is now in ruins and he knows that she is going to be upset. He feels terrible. Mrs. Jones walks over to him and Beansie knows he is in trouble. Then the funniest thing happens. She bends down and hugs him hard. **(paragraph 4)**



Adapted from *Beansie does it again* by Debbie Bailey

1. Tick ✓ to show whether each sentence is True or False. (5 marks)

		True	False
a.	Beansie and Mopsie are two puppies.		
b.	The dogs are playing Hide and Seek.		
c.	Beansie is happy to crush Mrs. Jones' vegetables.		
d.	Mrs. Jones loves her garden.		
e.	Mrs. Jones is not angry at Beansie.		

2. Underline the correct word. (5 marks)

- a. Beansie and Mopsie are chasing (butterflies, cats, lizards) in the yard.
- b. The two puppies have white tips on their (ears, paws, tails).
- c. Mrs. Jones is relaxing on her favourite lawn (bed, chair, towel).
- d. Mrs. Jones bends down and (pulls, hugs, kicks) Beansie hard.
- e. Beansie and Mopsie (love, hate, bite) their owner very much.



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3. Find three adjectives (describing words) in paragraph 1 (3 marks)

4. Answer the following questions:

a. Where is Beansie playing? (Par. 1) (1 mark)

Beansie is playing _____

b. Who is playing with Beansie? (Par. 1) (2 marks)

c. What does Mrs. Jones have in her hand? (Par. 3) (2 marks)







d. How does Beansie feel after he ruins Mrs. Jones' vegetables? (Par. 4) (2 marks)



B. Language

(5 marks)

1. Use the correct **preposition** to complete each sentence.

on	in front of	under	behind	inside	between
a 	b 	c 	d 	e 	f 

- a. Miki is behind the ball.
- b. Now, he is _____ his drum.
- c. Look, he is standing _____ the flowers.
- d. He jumps _____ the box.
- e. Miki hides _____ the table.
- f. He is now _____ the ball.
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2. **Underline the correct verb.**

(5 marks)

- a. Mrs. Jones (water, waters) her plants every day.
- b. We (play, plays) in the back garden.
- c. The puppies (sleep, sleeps) in the sun.
- d. You (like, likes) to read books under a tree.
- e. The wheelbarrow (is, are) in the yard.



C. Writing

(30 marks)

C1. Short writing

Write suitable **sentences or phrases** to complete the dialogue between Mum and her son Jack.
(10 marks)

Jack: Where is Nick?

Mum: He's outside in the garden.

Jack: _____

Mum: He is watering the plants and helping dad with the gardening.

Jack: _____

Mum: Yes, of course you can help them.

Jack: _____

Mum: Your boots are on the doorstep.

Jack: When is dinner ready?

Mum: _____

Jack: _____

Mum: No Jack, we're having neither pizza nor pasta. Today I'm baking a tasty chicken pie.

C 2. Long Writing

Write **TEN sentences** or a **paragraph** on **ONE** of the following:

(20 marks)

a) A funny dream.

Write about a funny dream. You may use these ideas to help you.

- Where is the place?
- Who are the characters in your dream?
- What happens? (This is the funny part of your dream.)
- How does the dream end?



OR

b) At the supermarket.

Write about what you do at the supermarket. You may use these ideas to help you.

- What is the name of the supermarket?
- With whom do you go there?
- What do you see/buy?
- Do you like going to the supermarket? Why?



OR

c) I am an eagle.

Write about your life as an eagle.

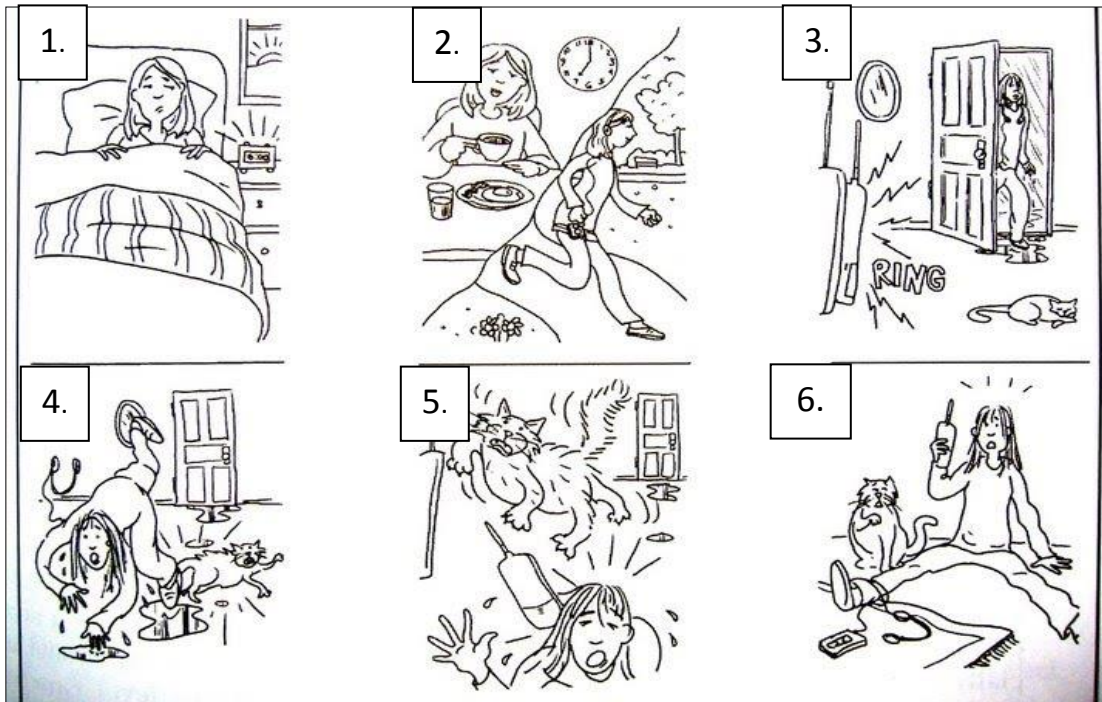
- What do you like doing during the day?
- What do you see while flying high up in the sky?
- Do you like eating other animals or plants?
- Do you have any friends or enemies?



OR

d) Look at the pictures carefully. Write about what is happening in the pictures. You may use the following words/phrases to help you.

hurry to work, beautiful weather, on my way back home, it is pouring, phone ringing, water on the floor, slippery floor



Title Letter: _____

You may use this space to plan your writing.

