

MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

LITERACY AND NUMERACY ASSESSMENT (LANA)

YEAR 6 LITERACY ASSESSMENT
(SAMPLE TEST)

Time Allowed: 60 minutes
(An extra 10 minutes is allowed for reading this paper.)

There are sixty questions in this Assessment. Answer all the questions.

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Check that your name is printed at the top of your Answer Sheet, and that it is correct.
2. On your **Answer Sheet**, draw a cross in the box next to the letter of the **best** answer.

For example, if you select B as your answer, you should draw a cross in the box next to the letter B.

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3. If you change your mind, shade out your answer as shown, and place a cross in the box for your new answer.

33	A	<input type="checkbox"/>	B	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	C	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	D	<input type="checkbox"/>
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4. If you change your mind again and like your first answer better, shade out your second answer and tick (✓) your first answer.

For example:

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5. If your cross is too big for the box, or if you draw a circle, your answer will be marked wrong.

cross is too big

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circles are not to be used

34	A	<input type="checkbox"/>	B	<input type="checkbox"/>	C	<input type="checkbox"/>	D	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Your supervisor or teacher can help you with these instructions but will NOT help you answer the questions.

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6. Which word or words correctly complete the sentence?

I found a _____ hiding place than she did.

- A. best
B. better
C. good
D. most good

7. Choose the noun in the sentence below.

Ice is formed at 0° Celsius.

- A. Ice
B. is
C. formed
D. at

8. What is the plural form of the underlined word?

The wife of a king is called a queen.

- A. wives
B. wive
C. wivs
D. wives

9. Choose the correct word to fill in the blank.

Timoci is quite full; he has just eaten three _____.

- A. mango
B. mangos
C. mangoe
D. mangoes

10. What is the short form of the underlined word below?

I will not go to town.

- A. willnot
B. willn't
C. won't
D. wouldn't

11. Choose the correct word to fill in the blank.

The children sang _____ at the concert.

- A. beautified
B. beautiful
C. beautifully
D. beauty
12. Choose the correct verb to fill in the blank.

The sick man took a glass of water and _____ the tablet.

- A. swallow
B. swallowed
C. swallowing
D. swallows
13. Choose a word which means the same as delighted in the sentence below.

My father was delighted when we gave him a new watch for his birthday.

- A. pleased
B. proud
C. surprised
D. unhappy
14. What is the past tense of the underlined word below?

The boys quarrel every day.

- A. quarrel
B. quarrelled
C. quarrelling
D. had quarrelled
15. What is the correct question tag for the sentence below?

You're John, _____?

- A. are you
B. aren't you
C. don't you
D. isn't you

26. Which sentence correctly uses the apostrophe (')?

- A. Sams dogs sometimes play with toys'.
- B. Sams' dogs sometimes play with toys.
- C. Sams dogs' sometimes play with toys.
- D. Sam's dogs sometimes play with toys.

27. Which sentence has the correct punctuation?

- A. "Have you seen my red shorts asked Bill."
- B. "Have you seen my red shorts? asked Bill."
- C. "Have you seen my red shorts," asked Bill.
- D. "Have you seen my red shorts?" asked Bill.

28. Choose the correct question for the statement below.

I am a Fijian.

- A. Who is I?
- B. Who am I?
- C. Whom am I?
- D. Whose am I?

29. What is the correct order for the good eating habits?

Good Eating Habits

1. Say thank you after you eat.
2. Chew the food well and close the mouth while eating.
3. Finish all your food.
4. Sit up straight before eating.
5. Wash your hands.

- A. 5, 2, 3, 4, 1
- B. 5, 3, 4, 2, 1
- C. 5, 4, 2, 3, 1
- D. 5, 4, 3, 2, 1

30. If your friend's name is Susan, what is the correct greeting to use when writing a letter to your friend?

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| A. Dear friend | B. Dear Madam |
| C. Dear Sir | D. Dear Susan |

Study the illustration below and answer questions 31 – 33.



31. What is the man doing in the picture?

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| A. climbing down the steps | B. climbing up the steps |
| C. climbing down the ladder | D. climbing up the ladder |

32. What do you think would happen next?

- A. He will jump up and down.
- B. He will laugh up and down.
- C. He will sit down.
- D. He will fall.

33. What do you learn from this picture?

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| A. be careful | B. be thoughtful |
| C. be fearless | D. be strong |

Read the poem below and answer questions 34 – 38.

Once there was a little boy,
With curly hair and pleasant eye —
A boy who always told the truth,
And never, never told a lie.

And when he **trotted** off to school,
The children all about would cry,
"There goes the curly-headed boy —
The boy that never tells a lie."

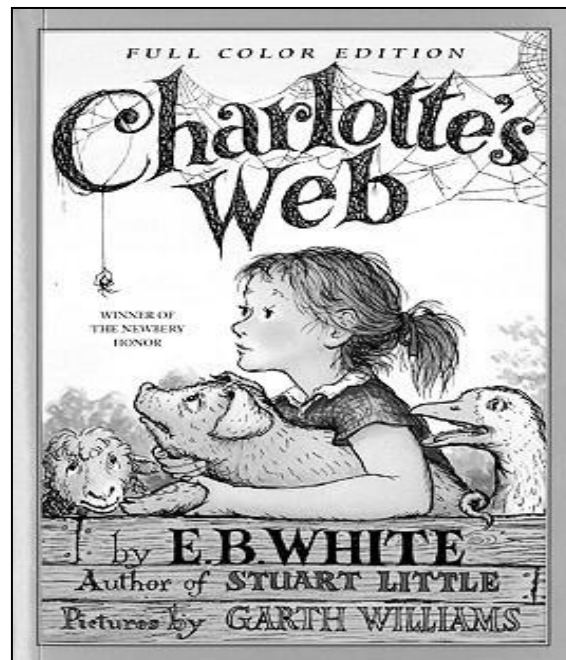
And everybody loved him so,
Because he always told the truth,
That every day, as he grew up,
'Twas said, "There goes the honest youth."

And when the people that stood near
Would turn to ask the reason why,
The answer would be always this:
"Because he never tells a lie."

34. Who is the **main** character in the poem?
- A. the children
B. a man
C. a little boy
D. the people
35. Which **two** words rhyme in the poem above?
- A. eye, lie
B. school, stood
C. truth, this
D. up, youth
36. Why did everybody love the main character?
- A. He never told a lie.
B. He trotted off to school.
C. He was a dishonest boy.
D. He was a curly-headed boy.

37. The word "**trotted**" as used in the poem means the same as
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| A. hopped. | B. jumped. |
| C. ran fast. | D. walked fast. |
38. What is the moral value learnt from this poem?
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| A. forgiveness | B. honesty |
| C. kindness | D. love |

Use the front cover of a story book below to answer questions 39 – 41.



39. What is the title of the book?
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| A. Charlotte's Web | B. E. B. White |
| C. Garth Williams | D. Stuart Little |
40. Who wrote the book?
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| A. Charlotte's Web | B. E. B. White |
| C. Garth Williams | D. Stuart Little |
41. Who is the Illustrator?
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| A. Charlotte's Web | B. E. B. White |
| C. Garth Williams | D. Stuart Little |

Read the passage below and answer questions 50 - 54.

A tree is a living thing just as you are. But most of them live longer than any of us. It breathes and feeds and grows. Some grow very tall indeed. You see the tree's leaves, its branches and its trunk. But down in the ground below, the tree has its roots which you cannot see. The roots take up the minerals that the tree needs from the soil. They also keep the tree from falling down.

50. Why is a tree a living thing?
- A. It feeds like a person.
 - B. It stands up like a person.
 - C. It breathes, feeds and grows.
 - D. It moves like something alive.
51. Which part of the tree can you **not** see?
- A. its bark
 - B. its branches
 - C. its roots
 - D. its trunk
52. What keeps a tree from falling down?
- A. its bark
 - B. its branches
 - C. its roots
 - D. its trunk
53. Of what use is the soil to the tree?
- A. It cleans the tree.
 - B. It hides the leaves.
 - C. It helps the tree breathe.
 - D. It keeps the minerals for the plant.
54. The tree takes up the minerals it needs through the
- A. branches.
 - B. leaves.
 - C. trunk.
 - D. roots.

Read the following passage and answer questions 55 – 60.

Green Turtles

Female sea turtles come ashore at night to lay their eggs. They dig a hole in the sand for their eggs. An individual female nests approximately every 3 years, and lays between 70 – 100 eggs. After laying the eggs, she goes back into the sea. It takes the eggs 50 – 72 days to hatch but very few of the hatchlings survive and reach adult size.

Green turtles are widely harvested for meat in many tropical countries. An estimated 100 000 are killed in the Indo-Australian Archipelago each year.

55. When do female turtles lay their eggs?

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| A. in the morning | B. in the afternoon |
| C. during the day | D. during the night |

56. Female turtles lay their eggs in the

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| A. rocks. | B. sand. |
| C. sea water. | D. sea weed. |

57. How many eggs can a female turtle lay at one time?

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| A. 3 | B. 50 – 72 |
| C. 70 – 100 | D. 100 000 |

58. How many days does it take for the eggs to hatch?

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| A. 3 | B. 50 – 72 |
| C. 70 – 100 | D. 100 000 |

59. Why do you think not all turtles that are born are able to reach adult size?

- A. They die of hunger.
- B. They die of the sun's heat.
- C. They do not know how to get to the sea.
- D. They are eaten by other animals and birds.

60. If green turtles continue to be harvested by people at the same rate, soon there would be

- A. no green turtle left.
- B. some green turtles left.
- C. many green turtles left.
- D. 100 000 green turtles left.

THE END