

Year 3 English Test Term 3

Name: _____

Reading Comprehension (5 marks)

Seahorses

Seahorses live in the ocean. They are fish but some people think that seahorses look a bit like 'land' horses. A group of seahorses is called a herd.



Baby seahorses are called fry. Female seahorses lay eggs but it is the male seahorses that look after the eggs. Male seahorses keep the eggs in pouches at the front of their bodies. The fry must look after themselves as soon as they are born.

Seahorses are fish but they are not very good swimmers. Their fins are very small. This makes it hard to move and steer in the water. They can use their tails to grab onto seaweed or coral so they can stay in one place.

Seahorses have no teeth and they do not have a stomach. Food passes through the body of a seahorse very quickly. To stay healthy, they must spend most of the day eating. One seahorse can eat up to 3000 small shrimps in a day.

Seahorses are not strong swimmers. They use their tail to cling on to things like sea grass or coral.

Questions Tick the correct answer.

1. Seahorses got their name because they

- move like horses.
- eat like horses.
- breathe like horses.
- look like horses.

2. Seahorse eggs are kept

- on coral.
- in a pouch.
- in the seaweed.
- on the sand.

3. What does a seahorse use to attach itself to seaweed?

- its mouth
- its teeth
- its fins
- its tail

4. Which question is answered in the last paragraph?

- What are seahorses?
- Where do seahorses live?
- What do seahorses eat?
- How do seahorses move around?

5. A seahorse uses its tail to

- Swim
- hang on to things
- move around
- catch fish

Language Usage

(10 marks)

1. Which of these sentences needs a question mark? Tick the correct answer.

- I am very unhappy to hear your news
- Why are you making such a mess
- Go and help your dad
- I want some chocolate now

2. **The small kitten tried to climb up the tall tree.**

Underline the 2 adjectives (describing words) in this sentence.

3. Write this sentence on the line. Add two adjectives:

The car went up the hill.

4. Add commas to this sentence:

I bought a pineapple a coconut an orange and a banana.

5. Rewrite these sentences adding capital letters, full stops or question marks.

do you know how far it is to new zealand

my uncle john lives there

6. Rewrite these sentences without any mistakes:

a) **I would like to go their**

b) **He done his homework**

7. What is the past tense of these words?

chase _____

drink _____

8. Write these words in alphabetical order:

chair stop fight grey carrot

9. Rewrite these sentences without mistakes:

a) It is only six week until Christmas.

b) September have thirty days.

Writing

(5 marks)

Write a small story about THE BEACH. Write at least 3 interesting sentences using these three words: **find friends shells**

Score /20