

Year 4 English Test 2

Name: _____

Reading Comprehension (6 marks)

Bats

Types of bats

Bats can be subdivided into two main groups: microbats and megabats. This is determined by their diet and the way they navigate when flying.



Microbats are very small. They are mostly insectivorous, which means their diet consists of flying insects such as beetles, moths and mosquitoes. They usually live beside rivers and creeks, so they have access to fresh water. They also live in parks, reserves and even residential areas.

During the day they roost in trees and hollows. They feed at night and although they have good eyesight they use sound waves and echoes to find their prey in the dark. This 'bat sonar' is called echolocation.

Megabats tend to be larger than microbats (but not always!). They are frugivorous, which means their diet consists of fruit and nectar from flowering plants. Like microbats, megabats are nocturnal but they rely on their good eyesight and excellent sense of smell to find food.

Some megabats are called flying foxes because of their fox-like faces and the red-coloured fur on their bodies. Although megabats hunt at night, large groups can often be seen during the day hanging from tall trees.

Did you know?

- Bats are the only mammals that can fly.
- Bats have been known to live more than 30 years.
- A group of bats is called a colony.
- There are about 1240 different species of bats in the world.
- Three types of bats live in Fiji: the Pacific Flying Fox, the Fiji Flying Fox, (critically endangered) and the Samoan Flying Fox (also endangered).

- The Kitti's hog-nosed bat is the smallest bat in the world. It weighs up to two grams: about the same as a tea bag!
- The giant golden-crowned flying fox is the biggest bat; it weighs up to 1.6 kilograms with a wingspan of 170 centimetres!

Questions

Tick the right answer

1. In the first paragraph, the word *subdivided* means:

- listed
- divided up
- carried
- numbered

2. Microbats are most likely to be found living

- near a source of fresh water.
- where there are large trees.
- close to houses and shops.
- where fruit trees are growing.

3. Some bats are called flying foxes because of their

- hunting behaviour.
- speed.
- size.
- appearance.

4. The text suggests the Kitti's hog-nosed bat is the world's

- hairiest bat.
- noisiest bat.
- lightest bat.
- fastest bat.

5. Which bat is not endangered in Fiji:

- The Fiji Flying Fox
- The Pacific Flying Fox
- The Samoan Flying Fox

6. What is one main difference between all microbats and all megabats?

Language Usage

(32 Marks)

1. Say whether the underlined word is a noun (N), verb (V) or adjective (A).

The cat rolled the ball under the cupboard.

I put my new fish in the tank with the others.

The brave fire fighter rescued the man from the burning house.

3 marks

2. Write the word that is the adverb in these sentences:

a) The boy ran quickly down the path. _____

b) The explorers stepped carefully through the long grass.

2 marks

3. Write two endings for each of the following words. Use 'er', 'ful', 'ing' or 'ness'.

fear _____

wonder _____

4 marks

4. Circle the two adverbs in the sentence below. **2 marks**

The bus is coming soon so we will have to get ready quickly.

5. Write (A) adjective, (N) noun or (V) verb in the brackets after the underlined words.

With an enormous () breath, Ben blew () out all the candles on the birthday cake (). **3 marks**

6. What type of word is underlined in the sentences below? Write (V) for Verb or (N) for noun.

Let's climb the tree. ()

Would you like a drink? () **2 marks**

7. Which passage below is correctly punctuated?

Tick one.

- Your name is Ali, isn't it? Would you like to sit with me.
- Your name is Ali. Isn't it? Would you like to sit with me?
- Your name is Ali, isn't it. Would you like to sit with me?
- Your name is Ali, isn't it? Would you like to sit with me? **1 mark**

8. Write 'present' 'past' or 'future' at the end of each sentence to show the tense of the sentence.

a) The cows all stood under a tree to avoid the rain.

b) We play outside a lot in the summer.

c) On Saturday, we usually have curry for lunch.

d) Next week I will be getting a new bike.

4 marks

9. Circle the words that should have capital letters in the sentences below.

I live at 29 rua_road, toorak.

On tuesdays, I usually go to the swimming pool.

Our rugby team is called the all stars.

6 marks

10. Rewrite these sentences with correct punctuation.

a) quickly get some water there is a fire

b) lisa and peter always visit auntie adi on sundays

4 marks

11. Write the following words in alphabetical order:

freeze frozen fry fright fifty

1 mark
