



Year 7 English Entrance Examination Reading Question Paper

Instructions:

- You have **40 minutes** for this examination
- There are a total of 20 marks available for this paper.

Paper 1 - Reading

- Read the passage in the 'Reading Booklet' carefully and then answer the questions that follow.
- The number of marks indicates the amount of time that should be spent on each question.

1. In what year is the story set?

1 Mark

2. Which of the following sweets can be found in Mrs Pratchett's shop?
Tick the box next to the correct answer.

- Cola Bottles
- Nut Clusters
- Sherbert Dip
- Popping Candy

1 Mark

3. Which word best describes the children?
Tick the box next to the correct answer.

- Shy
- Well-mannered
- Mischievous

1 Mark

4. Explain what these words mean as they are used in the passage:

(a) **loathsome** (line 10)

(b) **sullen** (line 20)

2 Marks

5. Look again at **lines 5 – 9** ('Her name was...forks out or you gets out'). Give two words or phrases that the writer uses to describe Mrs Pratchett.

(i) _____

(ii) _____

2 Marks

6. Describe **in your own words** the character of Mrs Pratchett.

- Make three distinct points for 3 marks

3 Marks

7. What **language feature** is being used in this quotation from **line 6**: "a mouth as sour as a green gooseberry", and **explain** what it suggests about Mrs Pratchett?

Language Feature:

Effect:

2 Marks

8. **How** does the writer make this passage interesting for the reader?

