

2019 national curriculum tests

Key stage 2

English reading test mark schemes

Reading answer booklet



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1. Introduction

The Standards and Testing Agency (STA) is responsible for the development and delivery of statutory tests and assessments. STA is an executive agency of the Department for Education.

The 2019 tests assess the national curriculum. This test has been developed to meet the specification set out in the test framework¹ for English reading at key stage 2 and assesses the aspects of comprehension that lend themselves to a paper test.

A new test and new mark schemes will be produced each year.

Key stage 2 tests are marked by external markers, who receive training to ensure the mark schemes are applied consistently and fairly. The mark schemes are provided to show teachers how the tests are marked. The pupil examples are based on responses gathered from the test trialling process.

Scaled score conversion tables are not included in this document. Conversion tables will be produced as part of the standards maintenance process. Scaled score conversion tables² for the 2019 tests will be published in July 2019. The standards confirmation meeting will take place in June 2019.

2. Structure of the test

The key stage 2 English reading test comprises:

- a reading booklet containing three texts that increase in demand throughout the booklet
- a reading answer booklet containing questions totalling 50 marks.

¹ www.gov.uk/government/publications/key-stage-2-english-reading-test-framework

² www.gov.uk/guidance/scaled-scores-at-key-stage-2

3. Content domain coverage

The 2019 test meets the specification set out in the test framework. Table 1 sets out the areas of the content domain that are assessed in the test.

Table 1: Content domain coverage for the 2019 key stage 2 English reading test

	2a	2b	2c	2d	2e	2f	2g	2h
	<i>Give / explain the meaning of words in context.</i>	<i>Retrieve and record information / identify key details from fiction and non-fiction.</i>	<i>Summarise main ideas from more than one paragraph.</i>	<i>Make inferences from the text / explain and justify inferences with evidence from the text.</i>	<i>Predict what might happen from details stated and implied.</i>	<i>Identify / explain how information / narrative content is related and contributes to meaning as a whole.</i>	<i>Identify / explain how meaning is enhanced through choice of words and phrases.</i>	<i>Make comparisons within the text.</i>
Qu.	Section 1: The Park							
1		1						
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3		1						
4	1							
5		1						
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12		1						
13		2						

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Qu.	Section 2: Fact Sheet: About Bumblebees						
14		1					
15				2			
16				1			
17	1						
18			1				
19		1					
20		1					
21	1						
22		2					
23				1			
24		2					
25		2					
26						1	
27				2			
Qu.	Section 3: Music Box						
28		1					
29						1	
30				1			
31				1			
32				3			
33		2					
34				1			
35		1					
36		1					
37	1						
38						1	
39				3			
Total	6	21	1	18		3	1

4. Explanation of the mark schemes

The range of marks available for each question is given at the side of the page in the reading answer booklet. Incorrect or unacceptable answers are given a mark of 0. No half marks are awarded.

The mark scheme for each question contains acceptable points, which are indicated either by a numbered list or a square bullet point (if there is only one possible answer). These must be treated as marking principles, not the exact response a pupil needs to give.

They also contain examples of some frequently occurring correct answers given by pupils in the trials. These are shown in italics and are introduced by round bullet points. Many pupils will, however, have different ways of wording an acceptable answer. In assessing each answer, markers focus on the content of what has been written and not on the quality of the writing, expression or grammatical construction.

For 'find and copy' questions, the correct answer is indicated by the word(s) outside the brackets. The word(s) inside the brackets indicate the maximum quotation that is allowed. Copying must be accurate but minor copying errors or introductions such as 'The answer is...' / 'It's...' will be permitted.

The mark schemes may also indicate commonly occurring but incorrect answers that should not be accepted.

Recording marks awarded

Pupils' test papers are scanned so that marking can be conducted on screen by trained markers.

For each question, markers record the award of 3, 2, 1 or 0 marks as appropriate, according to the mark scheme criteria. There is provision in the software to record questions not attempted. The software aggregates marks automatically.

The diagram below exemplifies the content of the mark schemes:

Qu.	Requirement	Mark
39	<p>What impressions do you get of the relationship between Piper and Micah?</p> <p>Give two impressions, supporting your answer with evidence from the text.</p> <p>Content domain: 2d – make inferences from the text / explain and justify inferences with evidence from the text</p> <p>Acceptable points:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. they know each other well / like each other 2. they pretend to be rude to each other 3. they work together 4. they trust each other 5. Piper is in charge <p>Award 3 marks for two acceptable points, at least one with evidence, e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1. <i>They were best buddies because it says she was pretending to be bothered by him though she was happy to see him.</i> [AP1 + evidence] • 2. <i>They like to tease each other.</i> [AP2] • 1. <i>They care about each other.</i> [AP1] • 2. <i>They work together because he finds stuff and she fixes the stuff he finds.</i> [AP3 + evidence] • 1. <i>They are good friends who like to banter with each other she says at the beginning she's 'stunned stiff.'</i> [AP2 + evidence] • 2. <i>Piper seems to be the mature one.</i> [AP5] <p>Award 2 marks for either two acceptable points, or one acceptable point with evidence, e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1. <i>You get the impression they are very close friends.</i> [AP1] • 2. <i>Piper acts like she's the boss.</i> [AP5] • 1. <i>They trust each other because he asked for her opinion about how his music box will sell at the market.</i> [AP4 + evidence] <p>Award 1 mark for one acceptable point, e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1. <i>Piper and Micah work together to fix the music box.</i> [AP3] 	Up to 3m

Content domain reference:
Aspect of reading assessed by this question.

Acceptable points (APs):
These are to be treated as marking principles and should guide marking. Pupils do **not** have to use the exact wording.

Criteria for the award of marks

Examples of responses produced in the trials and awarded **3 marks**

Examples of responses produced in the trials and awarded **2 marks**

Examples of responses produced in the trials and awarded **1 mark**

5. Mark schemes for the English reading test

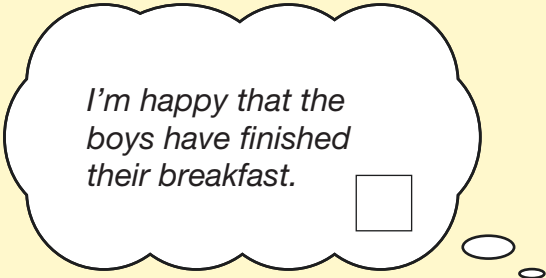
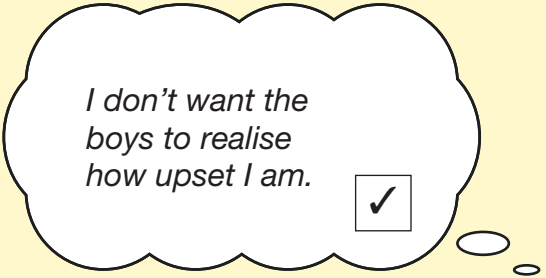
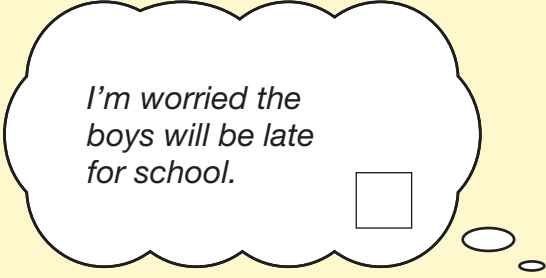
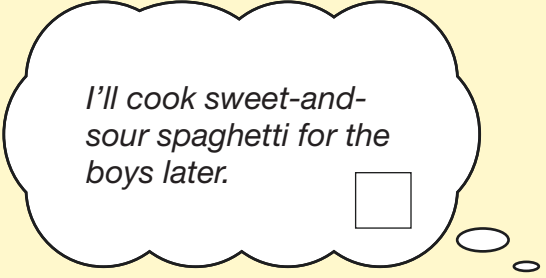
Section 1: The Park

Qu.	Requirement	Mark
1	<p>What is Ajay doing when the post arrives?</p> <p>Content domain: 2b – retrieve and record information / identify key details from fiction and non-fiction</p> <p>Award 1 mark for reference to him eating (his breakfast), e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>just about to tuck into his tea and toast</i> • <i>having his breakfast</i> • <i>drinking tea.</i> 	1m
2	<p>How does Joe know that the letter contains bad news before his mum tells him what it says?</p> <p>Content domain: 2d – make inferences from the text / explain and justify inferences with evidence from the text</p> <p>Award 1 mark for reference to Joe seeing it on her face, e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>he could tell because of his mum's expression</i> • <i>he could tell from her face</i> • <i>by her face.</i> <p>Do not accept answers which refer to her facial expression after she tells him the park is closing, e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>mum's face went pale</i> • <i>her jaw dropped</i> • <i>her eyes were watery</i> • <i>she started crying.</i> 	1m
3	<p>What does the letter in the brown envelope tell Joe's mother?</p> <p>Content domain: 2b – retrieve and record information / identify key details from fiction and non-fiction</p> <p>Award 1 mark for reference to the closing of the park, e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>it tells her the park is shut</i> • <i>the park is closing</i> • <i>that they've shut the park down.</i> <p>Also accept answers which refer to Joe's mother losing her job, e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>that she's losing her job.</i> 	1m

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4	<p>Look at page 4.</p> <p>Find and copy one word which shows that Joe is angry.</p> <p>Content domain: 2a – give / explain the meaning of words in context</p> <p>Award 1 mark for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ <i>furiously.</i> 	1m
5	<p>Look at page 4.</p> <p>In Ajay's opinion, how do people feel about the park?</p> <p>Content domain: 2b – retrieve and record information / identify key details from fiction and non-fiction</p> <p>Award 1 mark for reference to everyone loving the park, e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Ajay feels that everyone loves the park</i> • <i>they love it</i> • <i>people think it's great.</i> <p>Do not accept answers which only refer to sadness / anger about the park being closed, e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>angry and upset</i> • <i>sad it's closing.</i> 	1m
6	<p>Look at the paragraph beginning: 'You boys best get to school...' to the end of page 4.</p> <p><i>'But what about...?'</i> Joe started to say.</p> <p>Which words would best complete Joe's question?</p> <p>Tick one.</p> <p>Content domain: 2d – make inferences from the text / explain and justify inferences with evidence from the text</p> <p>Award 1 mark for:</p> <p>your breakfast <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>our games <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>your job <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>our homework <input type="checkbox"/></p>	1m

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7	<p>What is Joe's mother thinking after she reads the letter?</p> <p>Tick one thought.</p> <p>Content domain: 2d – make inferences from the text / explain and justify inferences with evidence from the text</p> <p>Award 1 mark for:</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: flex-start;"> <div style="text-align: center; width: 45%;">  <p><i>I'm happy that the boys have finished their breakfast.</i> <input type="checkbox"/></p> </div> <div style="text-align: center; width: 45%;">  <p><i>I don't want the boys to realise how upset I am.</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> </div> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: flex-start; margin-top: 20px;"> <div style="text-align: center; width: 45%;">  <p><i>I'm worried the boys will be late for school.</i> <input type="checkbox"/></p> </div> <div style="text-align: center; width: 45%;">  <p><i>I'll cook sweet-and-sour spaghetti for the boys later.</i> <input type="checkbox"/></p> </div> </div>	1m
8	<p>If she was trying to reassure Joe, it wasn't working.</p> <p>What does <i>reassure</i> mean in this sentence?</p> <p>Content domain: 2a – give / explain the meaning of words in context</p> <p>Award 1 mark for reference to making Joe feel better / less anxious, e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>make him feel like everything is going to be alright</i> • <i>tell him it would be ok</i> • <i>trying to comfort him</i> • <i>make him not so worried about the park.</i> 	1m

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9	<p>Look at the paragraph at the top of page 5.</p> <p>Find and copy one word that shows the boys do not want to leave the house.</p> <p>Content domain: 2a – give / explain the meaning of words in context</p> <p>Award 1 mark for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ <i>reluctantly.</i> 	1m
10	<p><i>'Oi!' Ajay yelled, 'what are you doing?'</i></p> <p><i>Joe read the sign: 'Under development.'</i></p> <p><i>'What's going on?' Joe asked. 'Why have you closed the park?'</i></p> <p>Joe and Ajay react differently to seeing the man hammering in the sign.</p> <p>How does Joe react?</p> <p>Tick one.</p> <p>Content domain: 2h – make comparisons within the text</p> <p>Award 1 mark for:</p> <p>He is calmer. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>He is ruder. <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>He is less interested. <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>He is less worried. <input type="checkbox"/></p>	1m
11	<p>Look at the sign from the story.</p> <p>Who has produced the sign?</p> <p>Content domain: 2b – retrieve and record information / identify key details from fiction and non-fiction</p> <p>Award 1 mark for reference to <i>The Department of Progress</i>.</p> <p>Also accept answers which refer to the government / the council.</p>	1m

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12	<p>Look at the paragraph beginning: <i>Underneath the notice was a...</i> to the end of page 5.</p> <p>What is happening inside the park straight after Joe and Ajay have read the sign?</p> <p>Content domain: 2b – retrieve and record information / identify key details from fiction and non-fiction</p> <p>Award 1 mark for reference to either of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> the diggers / builders moving in, e.g. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>some diggers are going into the park</i> <i>the diggers are already making their way in</i> <i>diggers were coming to knock it down.</i> the playground / park being destroyed, e.g. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>the park is being knocked down.</i> <p>Do not accept general responses about the new development that do not refer to the destruction of the playground / park, e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>they were building luxury flats.</i> 	1m

13	<p>Using information from the text, tick one box in each row to show whether each statement is true or false.</p> <p>Content domain: 2b – retrieve and record information / identify key details from fiction and non-fiction</p> <p>Award 1 mark for three correct or 2 marks for all four correct:</p> <table border="1" style="margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto;"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>True</th> <th>False</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>The park has been looked after by a park warden.</td> <td style="text-align: center;">✓</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>The park is going to be replaced with a shopping centre.</td> <td></td> <td style="text-align: center;">✓</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Building work in the park will start at the end of July.</td> <td></td> <td style="text-align: center;">✓</td> </tr> <tr> <td>The warden had two weeks' notice of the park's closure.</td> <td></td> <td style="text-align: center;">✓</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		True	False	The park has been looked after by a park warden.	✓		The park is going to be replaced with a shopping centre.		✓	Building work in the park will start at the end of July.		✓	The warden had two weeks' notice of the park's closure.		✓	Up to 2m
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Qu.	Requirement	Mark
14	<p>What is the name of the organisation that produced this fact sheet about bumblebees?</p> <p>Content domain: 2b – retrieve and record information / identify key details from fiction and non-fiction</p> <p>Award 1 mark for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ <i>Bumblebee Conservation Trust.</i> <p>Do not accept responses which give part of the name only, e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Bumblebee Trust</i> • <i>Conservation Trust</i> • <i>www.bumblebeeconservation.org.</i> 	1m

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15	<p>Look at the section headed: Save our bees.</p> <p>Complete the table below with one piece of evidence from the leaflet to support each statement.</p> <p>Content domain: 2d – make inferences from the text / explain and justify inferences with evidence from the text</p> <p>Award 1 mark for reference to any of the following in the appropriate box, up to a maximum of 2 marks:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="212 736 1393 1839"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="212 736 541 804"></th> <th data-bbox="541 736 1393 804">Evidence</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="212 804 541 1520"> <p>The Bumblebee Conservation Trust is worried about bees.</p> </td> <td data-bbox="541 804 1393 1520"> <p>1. bumblebees are <i>struggling to survive</i>, e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>bumblebees are endangered</i> • <i>there are now far fewer flowers to provide bees with the pollen and nectar.</i> <p>2. bumblebees are finding <i>themselves hungry and homeless</i>, e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>because they don't have a home and they are going hungry.</i> <p>3. two UK species having <i>become extinct</i>, e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>bees are slowly going extinct.</i> <p>4. bumblebee numbers having <i>declined sharply</i>, e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>population of bees is declining</i> • <i>there is less and less of them.</i> <p>Do not accept reference to the Bumblebee Conservation Trust asking for our help.</p> </td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="212 1520 541 1839"> <p>The leaflet makes readers feel hopeful for bumblebees.</p> </td> <td data-bbox="541 1520 1393 1839"> <p>5. all not being lost</p> <p>6. we can take action today to help save them, e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>you can take action today</i> • <i>we can help to save these hardworking pollinators.</i> <p>Do not accept general comments about help, e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>you can help.</i> </td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Evidence	<p>The Bumblebee Conservation Trust is worried about bees.</p>	<p>1. bumblebees are <i>struggling to survive</i>, e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>bumblebees are endangered</i> • <i>there are now far fewer flowers to provide bees with the pollen and nectar.</i> <p>2. bumblebees are finding <i>themselves hungry and homeless</i>, e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>because they don't have a home and they are going hungry.</i> <p>3. two UK species having <i>become extinct</i>, e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>bees are slowly going extinct.</i> <p>4. bumblebee numbers having <i>declined sharply</i>, e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>population of bees is declining</i> • <i>there is less and less of them.</i> <p>Do not accept reference to the Bumblebee Conservation Trust asking for our help.</p>	<p>The leaflet makes readers feel hopeful for bumblebees.</p>	<p>5. all not being lost</p> <p>6. we can take action today to help save them, e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>you can take action today</i> • <i>we can help to save these hardworking pollinators.</i> <p>Do not accept general comments about help, e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>you can help.</i> 	Up to 2m
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16	<p><i>In our modern world of paved gardens and intensive farming, our bumblebees find themselves hungry and homeless.</i></p> <p>This suggests that...</p> <p>Tick one.</p> <p>Content domain: 2d – make inferences from the text / explain and justify inferences with evidence from the text</p> <p>Award 1 mark for:</p> <p>farming has helped bees. <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>paved gardens are attractive. <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>bees are good at finding their way. <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>bees have only started struggling recently. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>	1m
17	<p>Look at the section headed: <i>What's so different about the bumblebee?</i></p> <p>The text refers to the bumblebees' <i>cousins</i>.</p> <p>Who are their <i>cousins</i>?</p> <p>Content domain: 2a – give the meaning of words in contexts</p> <p>Award 1 mark for reference to honeybees, e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>the honeybee.</i> 	1m
18	<p>Which section of the leaflet is written to inform readers that they are unlikely to be stung by bumblebees?</p> <p>Write the name of the section:</p> <p>Content domain: 2c – summarise main ideas from more than one paragraph</p> <p>Award 1 mark for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ <i>Don't 'bee' confused.</i> 	1m

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19	<p>In what way is <i>buzz pollination</i> more useful than other forms of pollination?</p> <p>Content domain: 2b – retrieve and record information / identify key details from fiction and non-fiction</p> <p>Award 1 mark for reference to either of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> it releases pollen that would otherwise stay inside the flower, e.g. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>because it releases trapped pollen that they wouldn't have been able to get out</i> <i>it makes a buzz that gets more pollen than other bees do</i> <i>it helps release more pollen.</i> key produce is more expensive / harder to get without it, e.g. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>it makes some vegetables we eat easier to produce and sell a lot cheaper</i> <i>it means we can buy more common foods cheaper</i> <i>it would be harder to grow beans.</i> 	1m
20	<p>Look at page 7.</p> <p>Why is it important for bumblebees to leave a smelly scent on some flowers?</p> <p>Tick one.</p> <p>Content domain: 2b – retrieve and record information / identify key details from fiction and non-fiction</p> <p>Award 1 mark for:</p> <p>so that others avoid it <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>because it smells better than nectar <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>so others know it has pollen <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>because bees give flowers their scent <input type="checkbox"/></p>	1m
21	<p>Look at the section headed: <i>Things you can do to help.</i></p> <p>Find and copy one word that shows how essential flowers are to bees.</p> <p>Content domain: 2a – give the meanings of words in context</p> <p>Award 1 mark for:</p> <p>■ <i>lifeline.</i></p>	1m

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29	<p><i>She pulled on a pair of her father's old boots, slung his brown coat over her nightdress, and opened the door.</i></p> <p>The word <i>slung</i> suggests that Piper put on the brown coat...</p> <p>Tick one.</p> <p>Content domain: 2g – identify / explain how meaning is enhanced through choice of words and phrases</p> <p>Award 1 mark for:</p> <p>carelessly. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>slowly. <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>tidily. <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>thoughtfully. <input type="checkbox"/></p>	1m

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30	<p>Look at page 8.</p> <p>Why is the boy <i>huddled</i> in the doorway while he waits for Piper to open the door?</p> <p>Content domain: 2d – make inferences from the text / explain and justify inferences with evidence from the text</p> <p>Award 1 mark for reference to either of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. the weather / the effect of the weather on Micah, e.g. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>he was really cold so was trying to keep warm</i> • <i>because it is snowy and windy outside.</i> 2. the smell, e.g. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>it smells bad outside.</i> <p>Do not accept answers about Micah being scared, e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>he was probably frightened of the storm.</i> 	1m
31	<p>Look at page 9.</p> <p>Why has Micah come to Piper's house on the night of the storm?</p> <p>Content domain: 2d – make inferences from the text / explain and justify inferences with evidence from the text</p> <p>Award 1 mark for reference to bringing the music box to Piper / getting the music box repaired, e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>he wanted her to see the music box he had found</i> • <i>because she promised to fix Micah's toy</i> • <i>so Piper can mend a music box.</i> 	1m

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