# English FAL · Grade 4

Reading, Comprehension and Summary

Term 3–4 | 3 questions | CAPS-aligned

TOTAL 30 MARKS

NAME AND SURNAME _____ CLASS _____ DATE _____

## Instructions

1. Read all the questions carefully before you begin to write.
2. Answer all the questions on the question paper itself.
3. Write neatly and legibly.
4. Work that cannot be read will not be marked.

| Question | Content of the question | Marks | Obtained |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Comprehension | 15 | |
| 2 | Visual Text | 10 | |
| 3 | Summary | 5 | |
| | **Total** | 30 | |
| | **Percentage** | | % |

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Section A

## 1 Comprehension

15 marks

*Read the following text and then answer the questions below.*

**The Honey Badger**

The honey badger is one of the bravest animals in Africa. It is not big — an adult is about the size of a medium-sized dog — but it is not afraid of anything.

A honey badger has very thick, loose skin. If a bigger animal grabs it, the badger can turn around inside its own skin and bite back. Even lions usually leave honey badgers alone.

The honey badger got its name because it loves honey. It will climb a tree and break open a beehive, and the bee stings do not seem to bother it at all. It also eats snakes, mice, insects and fruit.

Honey badgers are clever. Farmers have watched them open gates, move stones to reach food, and work out how to escape from places that were meant to hold them.

**Total words: 136**

**1.1** Which animal is the text about? **(1)**

**1.2** How big is a grown honey badger? Give the comparison used in the text. **(2)**

**1.3** What kind of skin does the honey badger have? **(1)**

**1.4** Explain how its loose skin helps the honey badger. **(2)**

**1.5** Why do lions usually leave honey badgers alone? **(1)**

**1.6** How did the honey badger get its name? **(1)**

**1.7** Name TWO other things a honey badger eats. **(2)**

**1.8** Do the bee stings hurt the honey badger? **(1)**

**1.9** Name THREE clever things farmers have seen honey badgers do. **(3)**

**1.10** Would you like to keep a honey badger as a pet? Give ONE reason. **(1)**

**Section B**

## 2 Visual Text

**10 marks**

*Look at the poster below and then answer the questions on the next page.*



**2.1** What is the poster about? **(1)**

**2.2** Where does the event take place? **(1)**

**2.3** How much does it cost? **(1)**

**2.4** Who is this poster for? Give ONE clue. **(1)**

**2.5** On which dates does the camp take place? **(1)**

**2.6** The poster ends with the words BOOK NOW. Why does the designer use these words? **(1)**

**2.7** Name two things from the left side of the list. **(2)**

**2.8** Name TWO things the designer did to make the poster catch your eye. **(2)**

Section C

## 3 Summary

5 marks

*Read the following text and then answer the question below.*

**How to stay safe near wild animals**

Never feed a wild animal. Once it learns that people bring food, it will come closer and closer, and then it becomes dangerous.

Stay inside your car in a game park. An animal that seems calm can change in a second, and a car door is the only thing between you and it.

Keep your food packed away at a campsite. The smell travels far, and baboons and jackals will come looking for it at night.

Do not run if an animal comes close. Running makes you look like prey, and almost every wild animal is faster than you are.

Make a noise when you walk in the bush. Most animals will move away if they hear you coming, because they do not want to meet you either.

**3.1** Read the text again. Complete the SUMMARY below. Choose the correct word from the box for each space. Use each word only once. There is ONE extra word. **(5)**

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| car | feed | food | noise | run | tent |

To stay safe near wild animals, never (1) _____ them, because they will keep coming closer.

In a game park, stay inside your (2) _____ .

At a campsite, pack your (3) _____ away so that baboons and jackals do not smell it.

If an animal comes close, do not (4) _____ .

When you walk in the bush, make a (5) _____ so that the animals move away.

**Total** **30 marks**



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