



COMMON ENTRANCE EXAMINATION AT 11+

ENGLISH

PAPER 1: READING

MARK SCHEME

This is a suggested, not a prescriptive, mark scheme.

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Q.	Answer	Mark	Additional Guidance
1.	Uncle Len/the ventriloquist	1	
2.	<i>appearance:</i> made of wood jointed legs open eyes painted on moving eyelids worked by a string big, red square mouth opens and shuts <i>voice:</i> cocky pleased with itself	3	up to 2 marks for facts award 1 mark for using own words
3. (a)	a 'Curiosity Shop' so must sell old or unusual things	1	
(b)	'Frozen' and 'Still' remind you that they are not alive they are waiting to be brought to life by a ventriloquist	2	
4.	in Australia to save money for the whole family to move there to join him	2	
5.	makes for an exciting start to the book, because you want to know what can be so dangerous about Frozen Billy odd to feel so strongly about a piece of wood; Will does too Clarrie hates everything about him, although used not to mind him when she was little – there must be a reason, a story	3	

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6.	<p>a ventriloquist – unusual job – a showman</p> <p>he might be cheerful as he gives the puppet a cheerful voice</p> <p>fussy: he does not like Clarrie using the wrong name</p> <p>sorry for himself, not having the second puppet</p> <p>poor, and feels this is not his fault</p> <p>not successful like the father</p>	4	
7. (a)	<p><i>description</i> – gives us information about the most important character</p> <p>used to build up a picture of Frozen Billy etc.</p>	2	<p>1 mark for each good point about writing</p> <p>1 mark for reason of use</p>
(b)	<p><i>conversations</i> – shows the character of the speakers</p> <p>Uncle Len corrects Carrie</p> <p>Mother scolds Uncle Len etc.</p>	2	
(c)	<p><i>letter – different from the rest of the passage</i></p> <p>tells us what father is like; we hear his voice in the words</p> <p>father loves his family, naming each one</p> <p>he is cheerful and excited and loves Australia</p> <p>possibility of a happy ending if the family goes to join him there</p>	2	

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8.	<p><i>yes:</i></p> <p>I want to read on to find out what happens to the family; why the puppet is so terrible; whether the second puppet is found and if they get to Australia</p> <p><i>no:</i></p> <p>I do not want to read on because puppets are for babies/I don't like Anne Fine's books/it's not a world which interests me</p>	3	<p>either point of view, or a mixture of both, is valid</p> <p>reward interesting points of view</p>
Total		25	