# **Midterm**

**Class: IV** 

**Subject: English** 

A legend of Rubezahl

Paper Boat (poem)

Baba yaga

Tomkin and the three legged stool

Deeba's Doll

# A legend of Rubezahl

#### **Wordlist:**

- 1: Boulders
- 2: Mound
- 3: Disappointment
- 4: Comfortable
- 5: Rapidly
- 6: Disappeared
- 7: Disguised
- 8: Scattered
- 9: Transformed
- 10: Compassionate
- 11: Vanished
- 12: Puzzlement
- 13: Scratched
- 14: Wondrous
- 15: Stable

Words	Meanings
Sprite	Magical person
Boulder	Stone
Glazier	One who fits glass into doors and windows
Wail	Weep
Immediately	At once

#### **Question/Answer**

1: What did Rubezahl disguise himself at first?

Ans: Rubezahl disguised himself as a mound covered with soft grass.

2: Why was the glazier was feeling tired?

Ans: Glazier was feeling tired because he has been carrying a heavy load of glass.

3: What was Rubezahl's third disguise?

Ans: Rubezahl's third disguise was of a donkey.

4: How do you know that the miller was an unpleasant man?

Ans: He had cheated many poor people over the years and worked his animals and servants too hard.

#### Reference to context

#### Who said the following, to whom and when?

1: 'Hey! get this donkey some hay!'

Ans: The miller

2: 'Hellow, my good man!'

Ans: Rubezahl (in the form of donkey)

3: 'Don't worry and be happy for I will help you get your money back'

Ans: Rubezahl

4: 'Ah! That's better'

Ans: The glazier

5: 'There you go old chap, better eat quickly because you'll be set to work soon'

Ans: The stable boy

6: 'I don't eat hay. I eat nothing but roasted and boiled turnips. Nothing but the best!'

Ans: Rubezahl (in the form of donkey)

#### Make sentences of the following words.

Astonished	
Cruel	
Compassionate	
Mischievous	

#### Exercise C-2 page# 16

#### Write out these sentences choosing the word that makes sense.

- ➤ The donkey ate some **hay**/hey
- We were in our way/weigh to way/weigh the suitcase.
- ➤ The **bear**/bare ate honey in the woods.
- ➤ If only I could **be/bee** a be/**bee**!
- ➤ We paid the fair/**fare** and got our tickets.

# **Poem- Paper Boat**

#### **Wordlist:**

- 1: Float
- 2: Stream
- 3: Village
- 4: Strange
- 5: Safely
- 6: Bulging
- 7: Launch
- 8: Blooms
- 9: Basket
- 10: Lading

Words	Meanings
Lading	Cargo
Launch	Start
Shiuli	Highly fragrant flower
Bulging	Jutting

#### **Ouestion/Answer**

1: What does the poet write on his paper boat?

Ans: The poet writes his name and the name of the village where he lives.

2: Why does the poet write on his paper boat?

Ans: He writes in a hope that whenever someone finds the boat, he will get to know about the poet.

3: What happens in the poet's dream?

Ans: He dreams that his paper boats float on and on under the midnight stars.

#### Complete the given stanza.

Day by day I float my paper **boat** 

One by one down the running **stream** 

In big black letters I write my name on **them** 

And the name of the village where I <u>live</u>

I hope that someone in some strange land

Will find them and know who I am

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#### Answer

- Ex 2: rose-poppy-tulip-lotus-jasmine-marigold
- Ex 3: dam- tearful- silence- banana

# Baba Yaga

#### **Wordlist:**

- 1: Dreadful
- 2: Quickly
- 3: Cackle
- 4: Supper
- 5: Gently
- 6: Footsteps
- 7: Sieve
- 8: Gasped
- 9: Goodness
- 10: Slamming
- 11: Relief
- 12: Sternly
- 13: Disappearing

Words	Meanings
Argue	Disagree and quarrel
Greasy	Oily
Shrill	High sounding
Sieve	A utensil used for separating solids from liquid
Scream	Shout

#### **Question/ Answer**

1: What kind of person was the stepmother?

Ans: The step mother was not kind with Karen. She always tried to put Karen in trouble.

2: Describe Baba Yaga's personality in a few sentences.

Ans: Baba Yaga was a wicked witch and much feared in Russia at that time.

3: What things did Karen aunt give her?

Ans: Karen's aunt gave her some oil a loaf of bread and a slice of meat.

4: Where did Karen wrap the things?

Ans: She wrapped the things in a scarf.

#### Reference to context

#### Refer to the story and then say who might have said the following.

A: 'This is the first present I have received.'

Ans: The maid

B: 'Why ever do you two keep fighting?'

Ans: Karen's father

#### Read this line from the story, then answer the questions.

'When you hear some footsteps, throw down the towel and a river will appear.'

#### 1: Who says these words and to whom?

Ans: The cat to Karen

#### 2: Where did the towel come from and why was it given?

Ans: The towel was in a small drawer in the cupboard. It was given to Karen to help her.

#### 3: In what way was it later useful?

Ans: Karen threw it on hearing Baba Yaga's footsteps and it turned into a roaring brook. This helped Karen aunt escape.

#### Exercise C-1 page #64

#### Answer

Needle and thread

Horse and cart

Black and white

Loss and profit

Bow and arrow

Heaven and earth

# **Tomkin and the Three legged stool**

#### **Wordlist:**

1: Scratched

2: Rushing
3: Staggered
4: Kingdom

5: Dusty

6: Wailed

7: Gazing

8: Heap

9: Tumbling

10: Gasping

11: Happily

12: Blankets

13: Trundle

Words	Meanings
Trundle	To move slowly and heavily
Wade	To walk against the pressure of water and mud
Stagger	To walk unsteadily
Sob	Whimper
Gaze	Stare
Scratch	Mark

#### **Question/ Answer**

1: What was the stool sure that the King would not do?

Ans: The stool was sure that when Tomkin will become the king he would not amek him prime minister.

2: Why did Tomkin think it was going to rain soon?

Ans: Tomkin thought it was going to rain because there was a huge black cloud sterling round the top of the hill.

3: What happened when Tomkin cut across the cloud?

Ans: As soon as Tomkin cut three long slashes right across the cloud it began to rain

#### Make sentences of the following words.

Certainly	
Happily	
Beyond	
Rain	

# Final term Class: IV

The Pied piper
Hooked by a book (poem)
The one that got away
The Word Wiard
The Mountain and the squirrel (poem)

# The Pied piper

## **Wordlist:**

- 1: Carefully
- 2: Bargain
- 3: Astronomer
- 4: Comets
- 5: Understand
- 6: Crunching
- 7: Disadvantage
- 8: Unusual
- 9: Confustication
- 10: Disappointed
- 11: Mosquito
- 12: Gunpowder
- 13: Fiddle
- 14: Sipping
- 15: Stung

Words	Meanings
Bargain	something offered at less than the normal price
Real estate	buying and selling properties
Hey fever	allergy causing a running nose and sore eyes
Protest	an action expressing disapproval
Astronomer	one who studies stars
Brave	courageous

# **Question/Answer**

# 1: Why does Mr. Delmonico try to confuse his wife?

Ans: Mr. Delmonico did not want his children to get a pet as a birthday gift so he tried to confuse her.

## 2: What does the Word Wizard say about Mr. Delmonico?

Ans: Wizard felt that Mr. Delmonico was a man who uses words for the purpose of confustication.

## 3: What do the children get in the end?

Ans: In the end children got a monster with eight legs. It had horns and hairy ears and was bald.

# 4: Did Mr. Delmonico let the children keep the monster?

Ans: Yes, Mr. Delmonico let the children keep the monster.

# **Exercise C**

# Q: Who does what? Match A and B

A	В
This person	studies
astronomer	plants
geologist	stars and planets
botanist	earth, rocks
biologist	forms of life
archaeologist	old materials and cultures

#### Answer

Astronomer- studies stars and planets

Geologist- studies earth and rocks

Botanist- studies planets

Biologist- studies forms of life

Archaeologist- studies old materials and cultures.

# The Pied Piper

#### Wordlist:

- 1: Funniest
- 2: Cupboards
- 3: Squeaking
- 4: Major

- 5: Strangest
- 6: Groaned
- 7: Grumbling
- 8: Brawny
- 9: Families
- 10: Suddenly
- 11: Celebration
- 12: Joyfully
- 13: Sharply
- 14: Frighten
- 15: Gent
- 16: Bustling
- 17: Chattering
- 18: Tumbling

Words	Meanings
Marks	old german money
Ladle	a big spoon
A jar	open
Preserve	food that has been made to last a long time
Brawny	muscular
Frighten	terrify

# **Question/Answer**

# 1: Where was this story set?

Ans: The story was set in a town called Hamelin.

# 2: What kind of person was the mayor?

Ans: The mayor was not the man of his words. He did not fulfill his promise.

# **3:** How did the Piper rid the town of rats?

Ans: The Piped piper began to play his flute and the rats came out of the houses and started following Piper. The Piper drowned all the rats into a big river.

## 4: How were the children trapped?

Ans: The children were trapped by a voice telling them about a wonderful country where children can play all day.

#### True of False

- 1: The people on Hamelin today sell chocolate rats and nice. (True)
- 2: The Mayor liked rats. (False)
- 3: The Mayor and the Pied Piper were friends. (False)
- 4: The people chased after their children as they were led away. (False)
- 5: The side of the mountain opened. (True)
- 6: All the children in the town disappeared. (False)

#### **Reference to Context**

Read these lines from the story, and then answer the question.

1: "I know another tune; I play it to those who play me false".

a: Who said this and to whom?

Ans: These words were spoken by Pied Piper to Mayor.

b: Who has been 'false'?

Ans: Pied Piper has been false.

c: Write the lines in your own words in more straight forward way.

Ans: You have broken your promise now I will take my revenge.

# 2: "That was a joke."

a: Who said this and why?

Ans: These words were spoken by Mayor because Pied Piper was demanding his reward...

b: What had he promised?

Ans: Mayor had promised a reward of five thousand marks.

c: What did the Piper do after this?

Ans: Pied Piper takes his revenge from Mayor by taking away the children of town.

# Poem- Hooked by a book

## Wordlist

- 1: Programme
- 2: Knock
- 3: Moaned
- 4: Rising
- 5: Doorway
- 6: Certain
- 7: Favourite
- 8: Vanished
- 9: Examining
- 10: Wondrous
- 11: Chimed
- 12: Snapped

Words	Meanings
Telly	television
Moaned	showing pain and misery
Certain	sure
Vanished	disappeared suddenly
Bound	tied, secured
Wondrous	amazing
Cosy	warm and comfortable
Crook	somebody who cheats

# Question/Answer

# 1: Which expression tells us that Jemima did not want to answer the door?

Ans: She moaned when heard the knock and said, 'Who can that be?'

### 2: Why was it that Jemima mentioned the exact time on the clock?

Ans: Because it was very close to 9o'clock – the time of her favourite telly (TV) Programme.

# 3: What is that puzzled Jemima?

Ans: The puzzled Jemima was the fact that the man did not reply to her questions. He just passed a packet to her.

## 4: How did Jemima know the parcel was for her?

Ans: The man pointed at her and vanished from the door.

#### Exercise C-2

# Q: Find words in the poem which have the same meaning as the following:

# a: ripped b: astonishing c: broke d: rang e: preferred

#### **Answer**

a: tore b: wondrous c: snapped d: knock e: favourite

Words	Sentences
Examining how	She looked at the turtle examining how it is covered with
	a shell.
Long ago	Long ago, dinosaur vanished from earth.
Before long	He should be back here before long.
Shortly	The rain started very shortly after they left.

# Complete the given stanza:

Jemima sat by the <u>telly</u>

Waiting for nine <u>o'clock</u>

Her programme would start very shortly

But then she heard a knock

Who can be that? Moaned <u>Jemima</u>

Rising to go and see

It's almost time for my <u>favourite</u>

Gosh! Already

# The one that got away

#### Wordlist

- 1: Wondered
- 2: Quietly
- 3: Eavesdropping
- 4: Whirred
- 5: Marble
- 6: Escaping
- 7: Glossy
- 8: Crawlies
- 9: Collection
- 10: Assembly

Words	Meanings
Amen	Said at the end of a prayer
Gerbil	A small animal like mouse
Eavesdrop	To listen to a conversation without
	speaker's knowing
Fossils	The remains of an animal or plant,
	preserved from an earlier time
Kicked off	Started the event

# Question/Answer

# 1: What did Mrs. Cooper ask the children to do for the next day?

Ans: Mrs. Cooper asked the children to bring something interesting to class the following day.

# 2: What was Malcolm worried about? How can you tell?

Ans: Malcolm said' Amen; very quietly and walked all by himself. This shows that he was worried about what interesting time he could take to school on Monday. It was already Thursday.

## 3: Why was Isobel so keen to bring her calculator?

Ans: Isobel was keen to bring her calculator on which she could write her name by punching in 738051 and showing it upside down.

# The Mountain and the squirrel

#### Word list:

1. Doubtless 7. Differ

2. Squirrel 8. Knowledge

3. Occupy 9. Criticism

4. Weather 10. Prig

5. Disgrace

6. Sphere

## **Words Meanings**

1. Disgrace Loss of respect

2. Spry Active and lively

3. Occupy To take up (a place or extent in space)

4. Deny Refuse

5. Crack Break

#### **Question / Answer:**

Qi: Who speaks first?

A: The Mountain speaks first.

Qii: List two things the squirrel admits he can't do or be but the mountain can?

2. The mountain can make a very pretty squirrel track and carry the forest on its back.

Qiii: List three criticisms the squirrel makes about the mountain?

3. The squirrel says the mountain is very large and cannot be active like the squirrel. It also cannot crack a nut.

Qiv: What nickname does the poet use for the squirrel?

4. The poet uses the nickname 'bun' for the squirrel.

Qv: How can you tell the squirrel is cross?

5. The squirrel and the mountain quarrel, and the squirrel says he does not think

It is a disgrace to be small.

#### Reference to context

Read these lies form the story, and then answer the questions.

#### 1. Talents differ; all is well and wisely put;

If I cannot forests on my back,

Neither can you crack a nut.

- a) What skill does the squirrel say the mountain has?
- A: The squirrel says that the mountain carries forests on its back.
- b) What can the squirrel do that the mountain can't?
- A: The squirrel can crack a nut while the mountain can't.

#### Exercise D pg no 20

#### Answer:

- 1. a. Question mark
- b. Exclamation mark
- c. Hyphen
- d. Apostrophe
- e. Quotation marks
- f. Full stop