**Questions presented after the passage to test comprehension.**

(The first answer is correct, the red responses are incorrect. The choices were presented in a random order.)

The Fairy Tree

1. Flora would often gather flowers from the forest. - False, true
2. What was the name of the fish? -rainbow, star, fairy
3. What did Flora feed the fish?- Bread, chicken, crackers
4. The king picked leaves from the tree and gave them to Flora. – false, true

Alex and Amanda’s First Concert

1. What grade were Alex and Amanda in? 5th grade, 8th grade, 10th grade
2. Alex and Amanda had to pay for the tickets themselves. True, false
3. The group got concession snacks and t-shirts before heading to their seats. True, false
4. It rained at the concert causing the group to head home early. False, true

Koko

1. How does Koko communicate? -Sign language, clicking a button, tapping her foot
2. What pet did Koko get for Christmas? -Cat, turtle, ape
3. Koko and Dr. Patterson have a good relationship. -true, false
4. Koko will be moving to Hawaii. -false, true

Cowardly Lion and the Hungry Tiger

1. The princess sits on an emerald throne while she listens to the concerns of her people. True, false.
2. The Lion and Tiger are very proud with their job of protecting the princess. False, true
3. What does the Tiger want to eat? Fat babies, all of the city’s cows, the lion
4. After the lion tears a person to pieces, he would roar loudly and declare himself King of the city. False, true
5. After the lion and tiger perform their tasks, they plan on leaving the city and hiding in the jungle. True, false

A Tale of Two Countries

1. In 1950, South Korea attacked North Korea. False, true
2. The war between North and South Korea has officially ended. False, true
3. South Korea became rich by selling several products to other countries. True, false
4. What nation supports South Korea? United States, Great Britain, France
5. North Koreans are currently much shorter than South Koreans. True, false

When the Empire State Building was New

1. The Empire State Building is currently the tallest building in the world. False, true
2. What was originally on the site where the Empire State Building was built? A hotel, a restaurant, a park
3. The Empire State Building was constructed during what time period? Great Depression, World War II era, the 1980s.
4. The workers were given harnesses and hard-hats as they worked on the Empire State Building. False, true

How Could You?

1. Is the wife a “dog-person”? – no, yes
2. Did the kids like to play with the dog? -yes, no
3. The owner moved into a new apartment that did not allow pets. – true, false
4. The dog was successfully adopted by a new owner. -false, true

A Happy Day

1. When the narrator woke up, what did she smell that was being made for breakfast? - bacon, French toast, coffee
2. The narrator had recently been promoted at work. – true, false
3. What did the narrator and her friend ride through the park- a bike, a scooter, roller blades
4. The narrator showed her husband pictures of ducklings in the park. -true, false

Bradford Boar

1. The mills spun wool into what object for the long-bearded owners? Money, cotton, blankets
2. Who made the crest of Bradford? The mill owners, the king’s brother, a group of farmers
3. The king declared a contest about who could kill the snake which was causing the farmers trouble. False, true
4. Only one huntsmen was interested in trying to kill the boar. True, false
5. The boar had killed 4 people before being put to death. False, true

Aqua

1. Who took aqua to the sky? -the sun, his friend, the wind
2. Where did aqua fall when he came back down? -a mountain, a pond, the ocean
3. In the pond, aqua rode on snakes and alligators for fun. -false, true
4. Where was aquas final destination- the ocean, the pond, a garden

Elvis

1. Wavy hair and the way Elvis moves his body makes him special. – true, false
2. The narrator got new pants to look like Elvis. -false, true
3. What color were the bones on the x-ray? -Green, blue, white
4. The narrator got a free haircut because he was an orphan. -True, false
5. What kind of haircut did the narrator get? -Buzz cut, Elvis-style cut, bowl cut

High School/Bullies

1. The bully was calling Lucy on her house phone to bully her. False, true
2. Why did Lucy’s mom feel guilty? She bought Lucy the phone, she asked Lucy’s teacher for unwanted help with the bully, she reported the bully to the principal making Lucy feel awkward.
3. Lucy knew who the bully was. False, true
4. Jill had helped to organize the school talent show. True, false
5. What talent will Lucy perform at the talent show? Singing, dancing, juggling

Roswell

1. It is believed that alien corpses were recovered in Roswell. -True, false
2. What did the military say fell in Roswell? -Weather balloon, meteor, airplane crash
3. There were true witnesses who said they saw the UFO and aliens. -True, false
4. The military claimed that the debris was left over from a failed military test. -True, false
5. Currently, it is widely believed that a UFO fell in Roswell. -False, true

Selected Paragraphs/FIRE

1. Civilian Pilots are sometimes involved in dusting crops. True, false
2. Who was one of the first European explorers to go to China? Marco Polo, John Cabot, Francisco Coronado
3. What baseball team was unbeaten? Pythons, Yellow Jackets, Bears
4. The social sciences have become very interested in the function of children’s games. True, false

User-friendly Design

1. The narrator believes elderly people would make good managers. -true, false
2. The narrator struggles to hear low frequencies. -False, true
3. The narrator believes the recent Apple products are very easy to use. -False, true
4. What does the narrator want to make more stylish? -canes, glasses, shirts

Emotion Sentences

1. We had so much fun last night. -yes
2. I wonder what that is about. -yes
3. That was a blast. -yes
4. I heard you had a fun time. -no
5. Jim lost his blue hat. - no

The Aged Mother

1. The governor’s proclamation ordered the death of all aged people in the province. -true, false
2. What did the mother use to mark the path back home? -twigs, paint, beads
3. The son left his mother at the top of the mountain. -false, true
4. Who had the idea of how to make the rope of ashes? - The mom, the son, the neighbor
5. The governor refused to remove the proclamation of death for the aged. -false, true

Irony Paragraphs

1. What is Mr. Reinhart’s job? Building inspector, high school engineering teacher, event planner
2. Why did Mr. Reinhart’s house collapse? Termites, a lightning strike, it was too old
3. Chef Kylie loves to eat his own dishes. False, true
4. Mr. Morris is Bobby’s teacher. True, false
5. What is wrong with the men on the dune? They are dehydrated, they are sunburnt, one of them is bleeding badly

Professional Decline

1. The narrator recognized the old man on the flight. True, False
2. The narrator recently turned 51 years old. True, false
3. The narrator claims that which emotion increases between age 50 and 70. Happiness, sadness, anger
4. According to a study, after the age of 70, if an individual believes they are athletic, they are significantly less likely to develop a disorder. False, true

Metaphor Stories

1. In Alice’s dream, she got along very well with her husband and always enjoyed the time she spent with him. False, true
2. Peter’s new office was full of what? Trash, bugs, books
3. The teacher noticed that the kids at school behaved very well in the playground and big yard. False, true
4. The parents complained to the principal that the teacher was too flexible with the students. True, false
5. What sport did Kate play? Basketball, soccer, softball

Biggest Waste of Time

1. The narrator believes that scrolling through Twitter is a waste of time. False, true
2. The narrator believes that asking for help means you are challenging yourself. True, false
3. The narrator believes it is important to remain in as many relationships as possible, even if they are bad relationships. False, true
4. What must we never dwell on? Our mistakes, our bad relationships, the amount of money we have