



ST NICHOLAS COLLEGE
HALF YEARLY PRIMARY EXAMINATIONS

February 2017

YEAR 6

ENGLISH
(Reading Comprehension)

TIME: 50 mins

Marking Scheme

Comprehension Answers

Section A

1. Underline the correct answer. (2 marks)
a. Athens, b. the Minotour c. ferocious d. boys and girls

2. True (T), False (F) or No Information Given (NIG).
Read the following sentences. Tick (✓) the correct box. (2 marks)
a. NIG b. True c. True d. False

3. Why do you think that did the city of Athens had to obey King Minos? (2 marks)

**They were scared of King Minos/ scared of being punished/
killed.**

Comprehension Questions (24 marks)

1. **They looked forward to watching the Minotaur eat the children.** (1 mark)
2. **She was the daughter of King Minos.** (1 mark)
3. **A sword and a ball of string.** (1 mark)

4. **The Minotaur was asleep.** (1 mark)

5. **He chased after them/ was devastated** (1 mark)

6. Look at Paragraph 1. (1 mark)

Find a word that means the same as:

a. **collect** b. **sadness**

7. Write a word that means the same as these words (3 marks)

a. **help** b. **carefully** c. **sad, heartbroken, shattered**

8. Now write the opposite of the following words: (3 marks)

a. **life** b. **no one** c. **exit**

Accept two-worded answers such as "go out".

9. Read these words. Now divide them into four different sets.

(4 marks)

Characters	Places	Verbs	Adjectives
Ariadne	maze	sleeping	happy
Theseus	Athens	moving	cruel
King Minos	labyrinth	panicking	beautiful
Minotaur	Crete	killing	lucky

Answer these questions

10. He was brave/ courageous/ was fed up of innocent children being killed.

Everyone was surprised because they were sure he was going to be killed. (2 marks)

11. To tie the end to a door post so that Theseus would be able to find his way back out of the maze. (2 marks)

12. She was in love with Theseus/ wanted to escape from her father/ she was different from the other people in Crete. (2 marks)

13. Award marks that show understanding of characters in the story. (2 marks)

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