

COMPREHENSION

KIDS WITH WORKING IDEAS

Business: Collecting and selling yabbies

Name: Luke

Age: 13

How it works: With a friend, Mathew (13), Luke uses three top nets and about twenty lines in different dams. They go after school and during weekends. Their best catch was 189 yabbies in 35 minutes. Their worst catch was 13 in 3 hours. On average, they make \$15.00-\$20.00, charging about \$1.10 for a dozen yabbies. Already they have two regular clients.

Problems: It's only a summer business.

Good things: "We have lots of fun", says Luke.

Business: Jani's Pet Sitting Service

Name: Jani

Age: 12

How it works: When neighbours and friends go away on holiday, Jani looks after their pets. She feeds the animals, takes them for walks and cleans their cages, hutches or kennels.

Problems: Lost animals – Jani says, "I thought I'd lost Stinky, the rabbit one day. Stinky burrowed out. But I found him in the vegetable garden next door."

Good things: Jani says, "I like talking to pets, and when we're walking, I pretend the pet is mine."

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Circle the correct response

- Mathew and Luke fish for yabbies:
(a) only during summer (b) all year round
(c) in one dam only (d) with fishing lines
- Jani probably started her business because:
(a) pet cages needed cleaning
(b) people needed someone to look after their pets
(c) people were going on holidays
(d) both (a) and (b)
(e) people hated cleaning cages
- For how many months of the year can Luke run his business?

- What do the boys use to catch yabbies?

- Would the income that Mathew and Luke obtain vary from week to week? If so, explain why.

- What do you think is the reason the writer provided these two examples of good ideas?

SPELLING AND VOCABULARY

Correct any misspelt words.

- Because of the wet weathor the decision was made to postpoan sports day.

- What qualificatons and skills can you offerr?

Select the word that has the same or almost the same meaning as the word underlined.

- A multinational corporation is sometimes made up of a conglomeration of other smaller ones.
(a) collection (b) element
(c) unit (d) recipe
- The man bears a striking resemblance to a famous film star.
(a) distinction (b) difference
(c) similarity (d) appearance

Cross out the wrong word (in brackets)

- The bell was (wring/rung) at three o'clock.
- This is the (vanish/varnish) Jani used on the antique cabinet.

PUNCTUATION – rewrite correctly

- alls well that ends well sighed georgio as he closed his book

Year 8 Homework Sheet for Week 8

Name: _____

Critical Reading

Includes – Novels, non-fiction books, magazines, newspapers and as negotiated with teacher

Book: _____

Author: _____

In your own words, summarise your reading for this week.

Spelling		
a	b	c
arid	abundant	acquainted
bogged	beetles	adversary
clumps	clambered	artesian
evening	minerals	crustaceans
inland	nitrate	Fahrenheit
melting	precious	herbivorous
outback	predators	knowledgeable
scrub	sandstorm	perishable
sprouts	supplies	poisonous
yams	vanished	starvation

Synonyms & Antonyms

Look in a thesaurus to find three synonyms and three antonyms for each word below.

Words	Find three Synonyms	Find three Antonyms
average		
burn		
clear		

Common Curriculum Elements

CCE Number 38 is **Synthesising**. This CCE is all about putting things together to create a product. This week your task is to make as many words as you can using the following letters:

E R K T C A B D O

Who is the target audience? How can you tell?

Would you recommend this reading to your friends? Why/why not?

Parent Comment & Signature: _____

Teacher Comment & Signature: _____