

LITERATURE COMPONENT

A POEMS


1. Cats by John Kitching

One cat, two cats, three cats, four,
Four cats scratching
At my gran's back door.

Five cats, six cats, seven cats, eight,
Eight cats scratching
At my grandma's gate.

Eight cats, seven cats, six cats, five,
Five cats scratching
At the old bee-hive.

Four cats, three cats, two cats, one,
One cat napping
In the noon-day sun.



Practice 1

Answer the questions.

1. What were the four cats doing?

They were _____.

2. How many cats were scratching at grandma's gate

3. What was one cat doing?

Practice 2

List out the things that cats like to do.

HOTS Analysis

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

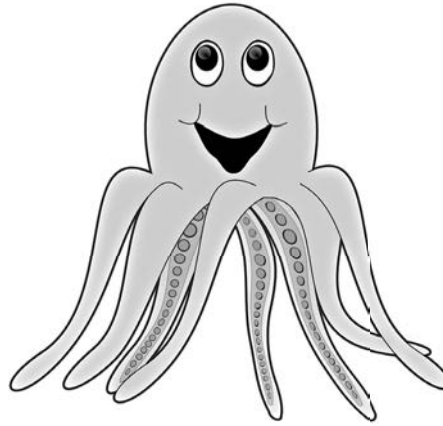
4. _____

(Accept any suitable answer)

2. Miss Antrobus by Richard Edwards

Why do you love your octopus,
Miss Antrobus, Miss Antrobus?
Why do you love your octopus,
Miss Antrobus, my dear?

I love **my** octopus because
It hugs me and it wriggles.
I **love** my octopus because
Its wriggles gives me giggles.
I love my octopus because
It juggles jars of pickles.
I love my octopus because
It tickles, oh, it tickles.



Practice 1

Match the phrases in List A with the phrases in List B.

List A
Miss Antrobus loves her octopus because
When the octopus wriggles
Miss Antrobus' octopus can also juggle
Finally the octopus

List B
jars of pickles.
tickles her.
it hugs her and it wriggles.
it makes Miss Antrobus giggle.

Practice 2

Tick (✓) for the correct answer.

1. The word **love** can best be replaced with ...

adore	<input type="checkbox"/>
worship	<input type="checkbox"/>
appreciate	<input type="checkbox"/>

2. The word **my** refers to ...

the pickles	<input type="checkbox"/>
the octopus	<input type="checkbox"/>
Miss Antrobus	<input type="checkbox"/>

3. Serenade by *Bobbi Katz*

Three mice sat down
in the barn one day
in a quiet corner
filled with hay.

One played a fiddle.
One played a drum.
One blew a bubble
with pink bubble gum.

Tra-la-la went the fiddle.
Boom, boom went the drum.
And POP! went the bubble
and the bubble gum.

Practice 1

Read the statements. Write 'True' or 'False'.

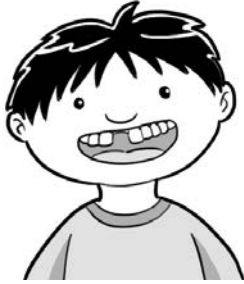
1. One day two mice sat down in the barn.	_____
2. One of the mice played a fiddle.	_____
3. The drum went tra-la-la.	_____
4. In the end the bubble gum burst.	_____

Practice 2

Circle the correct answer.

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| <p>1. Where were the mice?</p> <p>A In a barn
B In a field
C In a house</p> <p>2. The mice were playing all of these musical instruments except...</p> <p>A drum
B piano
C fiddle</p> | <p>3. What was the colour of the bubble gum?</p> <p>A red
B pink
C green</p> |
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4. **This Tooth** by *Lee Bennett Hopkins*

<p>I jiggled it joggled it jerked it</p> <p>I pushed and pulled and poked it.</p> <p>But—</p> <p>As soon I stopped, and left it alone, this tooth came out on its very own!</p>	
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Practice 1

Number the following phrases in the order in which the poet tried to make his tooth fall.

He pushed it.	_____
He joggled it.	_____
He poked it.	_____
He jerked it.	_____
He jiggled it.	_____
He pulled it.	_____

Practice 2




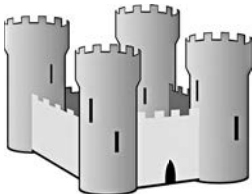
Answer the following question.

1. Why do you think the tooth came out when the poet left it alone? **HOTS** Analysis

2. What could the poet have done if the tooth had still not come out? **HOTS** Evaluation

3. Have you been to the dentist? Do you like going to the dentist? Why? **HOTS** Analysis

5. Seaside by Shirley Hughes

<p>Sand in the sandwiches, Sand in the tea, Flat, wet sand running Down to the sea. Pools full of seaweed, Shells and stones, Damp bathing suits And ice-cream cones.</p>		
<p>Waves pouring in To a sand-castle moat. Mend the defences! Now we're afloat! Water's for splashing, Sand is for play, A day by the sea Is the best kind of day.</p>		

Practice 1

Find the words from the poem above in the word maze.

- sand
tea
seaweed
shells
water
cones

d	s	b	s	k	f	l	x
a	h	g	c	o	n	e	s
s	e	a	w	e	e	d	n
a	l	b	a	z	s	v	q
n	l	x	t	e	a	j	f
d	s	y	e	d	c	x	r
e	r	u	r	i	p	o	d
m	q	y	p	x	f	h	k



6. The Meal by Karla Kuskin

Timothy Tompkins had turnips and tea.
The turnips were tiny.
He ate at least three.
And then, for dessert,
He had onions and ice.
He liked them so much
That he ordered it twice.
He had two cups of ketchup,
A prune, and a pickle.
'Delicious,' said Timothy.
'Well worth a nickel.'
He folded his napkin
And hastened to add,
'It's one of the loveliest breakfasts I've had.'

Practice 1

List out the following found in the poem.

1.



vegetables

2.



fruit

3.



drink

4.



sauce

Practice 2

Based on the poem above, write a short paragraph about the bumble bee.

8. The Dark by Adrian Henri

I don't like the dark coming down on my head
 It feels like a blanket thrown over my bed
 I don't like the dark coming down on my head

I don't like the dark coming down over me
 It feels like the room's full of things I can't see
 I don't like the dark coming down over me.

There isn't enough light from under the door
 It only just reaches the edge of the floor
 There isn't enough light from under the door

I wish that my dad hadn't put out the light
 It feels like there's something that's just out of sight
 I wish that my dad hadn't put out the light

But under the bedclothes it's warm and secure
 You can't see the ceiling, you can't see the floor
 Yes, under the bedclothes it's warm and secure
 So I think I'll stay here till it's daylight once more.

Practice 1

Do the crossword puzzle. The words can be found in the poem.

		1. f				2. h	
	1. b						
	3. d						
2. d							

Across

- 1. A large piece of woollen cloth used as a covering on a bed for warmth.
- 2. No light.





Down

- 1. The lower surface of a room
- 2. The upper part of a human body
- 3. Father

B SHORT STORY: AND SOMETHING WEIRD HAPPENED...

Practice 1

Name the characters.

1.  _____	2.  _____
3.  _____	4.  _____

Practice 2

Who said the following? Write their names.

1. We went to the beach. _____
2. You must have done something. _____
3. An author? _____
4. Looks like Mr Gelati's got lots of customers! _____

Practice 3

Fill in the blanks correctly.

board games

pet

cousin

sad

teacher

swam

basketball camp

holidays

1. Tom's _____ was a skateboard champion and had taught him some good tricks.
2. The teacher asked Joel and his classmate to write about their _____ during the weekend.
3. Joel's new _____ wanted him to write about his holidays.
4. Joel and Natalie _____ in the pool.
5. Ben had been to a _____.
6. Joel's gran took care of them during the _____.
7. Joel played _____ with Natalie.
8. Mr Gelati felt _____ because people were tired of all his ice-creams flavours.

Practice 4

Read the statements. Write 'True' or 'False'.

1. During the holidays, Rosie had visited her grandparents in Japan.	_____
2. Joel had listened to story time at the library during the holidays.	_____
3. Joel's new teacher asked him to make something up about how he spent his holidays.	_____
4. Anatasia Olivetti was Natalie's favourite author.	_____
5. In his essay, Joel wrote that he and Natalie were Pizza Shack's one millionth customer.	_____
6. At the end of the story, Joel got a pet dinosaur.	_____

Practice 5

Where did these events take place?

1. Mr Gelati gave Joel Joel's Jelly Baby Freeze ice cream.	_____
2. Joel met his favourite author, Anastasia Olivetti.	_____
3. Joel and Natalie played on the swings.	_____
4. Joel's new teacher asked him about his holidays.	_____
5. The manager comes over to Joel and his family and says they are their pizza-for-a-year winners.	_____

Practice 6

Use the phrases below to describe a person in the story.

an adventurous boy	a thoughtful girl	good at motivating
an imaginative boy	a generous man	a caring woman

- Joel is _____ because he could easily make up an essay about things that he did during the school holidays.
- Joel's teacher is _____ her students as she could get Joel to write an imaginative essay.
- Mr Gelati is _____ because he gave two huge ice creams to Joel and Natalie.
- Joel's gran is _____ as she is willing to look after Joel and Natalie during the holidays.
- Tom is _____ as he is willing to learn new skateboarding tricks from his cousins.
- Yuki is _____ because she visited her grandparents in Japan.



Practice 7

Number the sentences in the correct order based on the story.

Joel however did not have anything interesting to write about his holidays.	_____
Joel is back in school and has been asked by his new teacher to write an essay about his holidays.	_____
His teacher then asked him to make a story up about his holidays.	_____
The family then went to the ice cream parlour. Mr Gelati came running out with two big ice creams. He had used Joel's flavour idea and many customers loved it.	_____
Joel then wrote that he met Anastasia Olivetti in the library and gave her an idea for her book ending, he also gave Mr Gelati the ice cream seller an idea for a new flavour and finally he and Natalie won free pizza for a year from Pizza Shack.	_____
Joel's teacher was very happy with his work. She then told gave the class another homework to be during the weekend.	_____
Finally they went to the Pizza Shack and the manager said that they had won pizza for a year. He realised that what he had written in his essay had come true.	_____
On Saturday Joel went out with his mother and Natalie. They first went to the library and met Anatasia Olivetti and she had used his idea to write her book ending.	_____





Practice 8

Write a short paragraph telling why you like or did not like the short story.

C GRAPHIC NOVEL: GULLIVER'S TRAVELS

Practice 1

Name the characters.

<p>1.</p>  <p>_____</p>	<p>2.</p>  <p>_____</p>
<p>3.</p>  <p>_____</p>	<p>4.</p>  <p>_____</p>

Practice 2

Can you identify the places based on the descriptions?

<p>1. In this country a dog nearly killed Gulliver.</p>	<p>_____</p>
<p>2. Gulliver was first captured by the little people of this country.</p>	<p>_____</p>
<p>3. Gulliver is originally from this country.</p>	<p>_____</p>
<p>4. The citizens from this country helped Gulliver to go back home.</p>	<p>_____</p>

Practice 3

Which of the following describes Gulliver? Tick (✓) the answer.

1. cruel	
2. brave	
3. authoritative	
4. hot-tempered	
5. loving	
6. well-mannered	
7. silly	
8. adventurous	
9. careless	
10. greedy	



Practice 4

Read the statements. Write 'True' or 'False' in the space.

1. Gulliver and his crew managed to land in Lilliput.	_____
2. The King of Lilliput let Gulliver go immediately.	_____
3. Gulliver found a boat while touring the coast with the King of Blefuscu.	_____
4. Gulliver brought back special animals from the farmers of Blefuscu to show the people of England.	_____
5. In the Land of the Giant the corn was fifty feet high.	_____
6. Glumdalclitch was Gulliver's little nurse in the Land of the Giant.	_____

Practice 5

Match the sentence parts correctly.

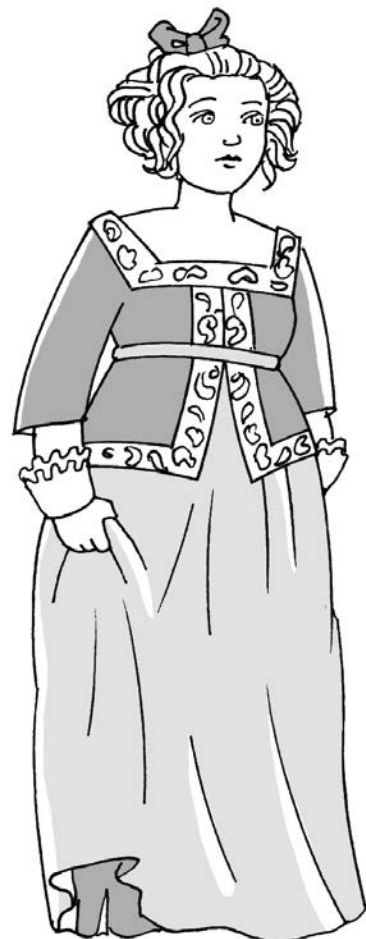
Gulliver set off for an
He was caught in a storm and
Tiny people captured Gulliver
The Emperor of Lilliput
He needed Gulliver to
Gulliver walked over to

and took him to see their emperor.
defend his country from Blefescu.
Blefuscu and captured their ships.
was stranded on an unknown island.
adventure by sea on 4 May 1699.
did not let Gulliver go.

Practice 6

Write about your favourite character. Give reasons why you like this character.

Lined writing area with 18 horizontal lines for student response.



Practice 7

The series of pictures below show what happened when Gulliver was in the Land of the Giant. Based on the pictures and notes, write a suitable paragraph.



sailing – second time – Gulliver – Land of the Giant – captured – Giant – took – master – home – stayed – family



– daughter – Glumdalclitch – cradle – nurse – good care



– giant – showed – people – neighbourhood – amazed – neighbouring town – charge them – Glumdalclitch followed



master – sold – Queen – Glumdalclitch – remained – nurse



travelling – travelling box – carried – crow



– dropped – travelling box – middle – sea – ship – rescue
