

**St. Nicholas College**  
**College 7**  
**Half-Yearly Examinations - February 2008**

**YEAR 4                      English List. Comprehension                      TIME: 20 minutes**

**Teacher's Paper**

**Guidelines for the conduct of the Listening Comprehension Examination**

**ALL INSTRUCTIONS ARE TO BE GIVEN IN ENGLISH**

- a) 3 minutes – First reading aloud of passage by teacher.
- b) 3 minutes – The teacher reads out the questions.
- c) 3 minutes – Second reading aloud of passage by teacher.
- d) 5 minutes – The pupils answer the questions.
- e) 3 minutes – Third reading aloud of passage by teacher.
- f) 3 minutes – Final revision of answers by pupils.

**RESOURCES**

**Teacher:** Reading Text and Questions

**Each Pupil:** Pen and Examination Paper

**INTRODUCTION:**

The teacher in charge distributes the examination papers to the pupils and asks them to write their name, surname, index number and class on the front cover.

**THE TEACHER TELLS THE PUPILS TO FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS ON THE FRONT PAGE OF THE EXAMINATION PAPER (PUPIL'S COPY) AS S/HE READS.**

**The teacher must read the following:**

1. - I am going to read a story called *The Boy who loved animals* and you are to listen carefully.
  - Do not answer the questions or write anything while I am reading.
2. - Open the examination paper and look at the questions.
  - I will read the questions to you once.
3. - Close the exam paper and listen carefully.
  - I will read the story a second time.
  - Do not write anything while I am reading.
4. - You have five minutes to answer questions 1 to 15.
  - In questions 1 to 15 put a tick in the correct box.
5. - I will read the passage a third time.
  - You may complete any unanswered questions as I read.
6. - You have now three minutes to check your answers, and complete any unanswered questions.

## **The Boy Who Loved Animals**

Edwin's father is an artist and his big brothers are going to be artists too. As he grows older, Edwin starts drawing too. And he draws animals for he loves animals and animals love him. He draws all sorts of animals, but especially dogs.

The years go on and Edwin draws big and small dogs, sad and happy dogs and, by the time he is a grown up, everyone in London knows about the artist who draws dogs.

One day Queen Victoria sends for him and asks him to draw pictures of all her pets. This makes Edwin very happy for there are all kinds of dogs in the palace.

Sometimes the Queen comes to watch him at his work.

"How do you make your dogs look so real?" she asks one day.

"Your Majesty," says Edwin, "I peep into their hearts."

"Can you draw children too?" asks the Queen.

"Yes, I can," replies Edwin.

"Then will you paint pictures of my children for me?"

So, when he finishes painting the palace dogs, Edwin Landseer paints pictures of the little princes and princesses, but he nearly always puts a dog in the pictures too.

So he becomes famous and hundreds of people want to buy his pictures.

(Adapted from "Wide Range Readers" Green Bk 3)

**Put a tick (✓) in a box to show the correct answer**

**1. The name of the boy who loves animals is**

a	Peter.	
b	Edward.	
c	John.	
d	Edwin.	

**2. Edwin's father is**

a	a mechanic.	
b	a teacher.	
c	an artist.	
d	a driver.	

**3. An artist is**

a	one who works in the fields.	
b	one who drives a taxi.	
c	one who paints pictures.	
d	one who sells milk.	

**4. Edwin loves**

a	cars.	
b	dolls.	
c	animals.	
d	books.	

**5. He especially loves**

a	cats.	
b	dogs.	
c	horses.	
d	ducks.	

**6. Edwin draws**

a	ugly and stupid dogs.	
b	savage dogs.	
c	sad and happy dogs.	
d	strange dogs.	

**7. The name of the queen is**

a	Victoria.	
b	Elizabeth.	
c	Mary.	
d	Jane.	

**8. The queen first asks Edwin to draw pictures of**

a	the palace.	
b	all her pets.	
c	the furniture.	
d	her friends.	

**9. Later she asks him to draw pictures of**

a	her cars.	
b	her husband.	
c	the gardens.	
d	her children.	

**10. Edwin's surname is**

a	Borg.	
b	Abela.	
c	Landseer.	
d	Murphy.	

**11. The queen's sons are called**

a	beggars.	
b	princes.	
c	bullies.	
d	students.	

**12. Edwin Landseer always puts an animal in the pictures of the children.**

**This is**

a	a cat.	
b	a fish.	
c	a lizard.	
d	a dog.	

**13. The queen lives in**

a	a hut.	
b	a big house.	
c	a palace.	
d	a flat.	

**14. Edwin calls the queen**

a	my friend	
b	your Majesty	
c	my cousin	
d	darling	

**15. Edwin Landseer becomes very**

a	unpopular.	
b	well-loved.	
c	unknown.	
d	famous.	