



St Nicholas College
Half Yearly Exams
February 2012

Year 4

English Listening Comprehension

Time: 30 min

Teacher's Copy

Guidelines for the conduct of the Listening Comprehension Examination

ALL INSTRUCTIONS ARE TO BE GIVEN IN ENGLISH

Resources

Teacher: Reading Text and Questions
Each pupil: Pen and Examination Paper

Introduction

1	Listen carefully as I read the first section of the story called <i>The Story of Walt Disney</i> . Do not answer the questions or write anything while I am reading.	3 minutes
2	Open the exam paper and look at questions 1 to 6 . I will read the questions to you once. You may answer questions 1 to 6 now.	7 minutes
3	Close the paper. I will read the second section of the story now. Do not write anything while I am reading.	3 minutes
4	Open the exam paper and look at questions 7 to 10 . I will read the questions to you once. You may answer questions 7 to 10 now.	7 minutes
5	I will read the whole story again. You may answer questions 11 and 12 .	7 minutes
6	You now have three minutes to check your answers and complete unanswered questions.	3 minutes

The Story of Walt Disney

Section 1

Walt Disney was born in Chicago in 1901. When he was five years old his father moved the family to a farm. Walt and his sister Ruth were happy there. Later his father got ill and the family moved to Kansas city. Walt used to get up very early to deliver newspapers.

In 1923 Walt and his brother Roy set up a film studio in Hollywood. All they had was a small workshop and an old camera. They decided to make cartoon films. Walt did the drawings and his brother worked the camera.

Section 2

At first things were difficult and the brothers had little money. Then Walt had an idea. When he was on the train from California to New York he was sketching in his drawing book. He came up with a character he called Mickey Mouse.

Mickey was the world's first cartoon character to appear in a film with sound. The film was a huge success and it made the Disney Studios large sums of money. Later Walt invented many other characters like Pluto, Donald Duck and Goofy.

In 1955 Disneyland opened in California. It was so popular that it had 30 million visitors in its first ten years. Then Walt started to build two new parks in Florida. Sadly he did not live to see these as he died in 1966.

The Disney Company has come up with many other ideas. It now owns other film companies and is the world's biggest publisher of books for children. The company also owns a number of television channels. There are 700 Disney stories around the world.

The Disney Company has come a long way since Walt did his first drawings of Mickey Mouse. In 2001 Disney World celebrated 100 years since Walt Disney's birth. There were special parades at the Disney parks to celebrate the great success of Walt Disney.

First Section

A. Tick the correct answer.

1. Walt Disney was born in

a) 1901.	
b) 1923.	
c) 1955.	
d) 2001.	

2. He was born in

a) Hollywood.	
b) Chicago.	
c) New York.	
d) California.	

3. The family moved to a farm when Walt was

a) a newborn baby.	
b) a grown-up person.	
c) a teenager.	
d) a little boy.	

4. When the family moved to Kansas city, Walt used to get up very early to

a) go to school.	
b) help with the house chores.	
c) deliver newspapers.	
d) draw sketches of cartoon characters.	

5. Walt Disney set up a film studio with his

a) father.	
b) sister.	
c) brother.	
d) friend.	

6. Together they decided to

a) write stories for children.	
b) make cartoon films.	
c) build a theme park.	
d) draw posters of cartoon characters.	

Second Section

7. Walt was very good at

a) drawing cartoon characters.	
b) acting.	
c) singing.	
d) writing stories.	

8. Walt Disney came up with the idea for the most famous cartoon character while he was

a) in his studio.	
b) on a train.	
c) on a farm.	
d) at home.	

9. This cartoon character was

a) Donald Duck.	
b) Minnie Mouse.	
c) Pluto.	
d) Mickey Mouse.	

10. The first Disney theme park was in

a) Florida.	
b) California.	
c) New York.	
d) Chicago.	

11. Put a (✓) to show whether each sentence is true or false.

	True	False
a) Disneyland was very popular and had millions of visitors in the first year.		
b) Walt started to build five new parks in Florida.		
c) Unfortunately he was not able to see the new Parks as he died before they were opened.		
d) Walt Disney died in 1991.		
e) In 2001 Disney World celebrated 50 years since Walt Disney's birth.		

12. Fill in the blanks with the correct words.

a) Walt Disney's brother and sister were called _____
and _____.

b) Two names of famous Disney characters mentioned in the story are
_____ and _____.

c) In 2001 Disney World celebrated _____ years since
Walt Disney's birth.

End of Paper