

English

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2016

# Year 6 Reading Assessment Non-Fiction Answer Booklet

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## Questions 1 to 14 are about 'Endangered'

1. According to the introduction of the text, how many species have now been classified as 'Extinct in the Wild'?

1 mark

2. How tall was the dodo bird thought to be?

1 mark

3. What other animals does the text list as being now extinct? Tick **three**.

2 marks

passenger pigeon

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Tasmanian tiger

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West African black rhino

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black rhino

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mountain gorilla

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giant panda

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4. Look at this sentence:

*"Some animals, like the bald eagle and the American alligator were once on the brink of extinction but are now known to be recovering."*

What is the meaning of the word **brink** in this sentence?

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5. Complete this table of information about some of the animals' features in the text:

Animal	Status	Population
Mountain Gorilla	Critically Endangered	
	Critically Endangered	More than 5,000
Giant Panda		1800 in the wild

3 marks

Look at the section about the **South China Tiger**.

6. In what year did the Chinese government introduce a hunting ban?

1 mark

7. According to the text, why is this species of tiger considered to be 'functionally extinct'?

1 mark

8. Find and copy a word which means reducing or getting smaller in number.

1 mark

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Look at the section about the **Giant Panda**.

9. Why might it be surprising that the giant panda is endangered? Give **two** reasons.

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_

2 marks

10. Why are the pandas important for the bamboo forests?

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1 mark

11. How do pandas living in the wild benefit other animal species?

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1 mark

12. Match these facts with the correct animal in the text. One has been done for you.

Bald Eagle	Killed for the illegal trade of their horn
Mountain Gorilla	Flightless bird, now extinct
Black Rhino	Once at risk of extinction but now recovering
Dodo	Suffered from years of war, hunting, habitat destruction and disease

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**13.** Give **two** reasons why animals should be saved from extinction. Use evidence from the text to support your answer.

2 marks

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**14.** Look at the section called '**What causes endangerment or extinction?**'

The text says: '*Animal extinction can occur due to natural or human causes.*'

Which reason do you think is more likely to be responsible for species becoming extinct in recent years? Give evidence from the text to support your answer.

2 marks

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**End of questions about 'Endangered'**

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# Year 6 Reading Assessment Poetry Answer Booklet

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Questions 15 to 23 are about '*The Charge of the Light Brigade*'

15. How many soldiers '**rode**' in verse I?

1 mark

16. '*Half a league, half a league, / Half a league onward*'

These lines use the repetition of a phrase for effect.

**Find** and **copy** two more phrases that are repeated in verse I.

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

2 marks

Look at verse II

17. **Find** and **copy** a phrase which suggests a mistake had been made.

1 mark

18. Which word is used to rhyme with brigade?

1 mark

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19. Look at these lines:

*'Theirs not to make reply,  
Theirs not to reason why,  
Theirs but to do and die.'*

What does this tell you about the attitude of the soldiers?

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2 marks

20. Look at these lines:

*'Boldly they rode and well,  
Into the jaws of Death'*

What do you think is meant by this?

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2 marks

Look at verse VI

21. **Find** and **copy** a word which suggests the poet believes we should admire the soldiers and regard them with great respect.

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22. Order these events from the poem. The first one has been done for you.

1 mark

The brigade rode back but some men had been killed.

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The soldiers all followed the order and rode forward.

☐

The order was given to charge forward.

1

The enemy were waiting and shot at the soldiers.

☐

23. Look at these lines:

*'Cannon to right of them,  
Cannon to left of them,  
Cannon behind them  
Volleyed and thundered'*

Which of these statements best summarise the situation being described? Tick **one**.

1 mark

The soldiers did not have any cannons.

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The brigade did not know about the enemy cannons.

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The soldiers were surrounded by enemy cannons.

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There was a storm with thunder and lightning.

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End of questions about '*The Charge of the Light Brigade*'

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# Year 6 Reading Assessment Fiction Answer Booklet

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Questions 24 to 35 are about *'Moonfleet'*

Look at the first extract.

24. Find and copy a word which means a shallow stretch of water, shut off from the sea.

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25. Explain why the village was really named Moonfleet and why the character thought it had been given the name, when he was a child.

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26. What had happened to John Trenchard's mother and father?

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27. Who did John live with?

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1 mark

2 marks

1 mark

1 mark

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Look at the second extract.

28. What was the actual name of the pub and the name it was more commonly known by in the story? Explain each, giving evidence from the text to support your answer.

3 marks

29. What evidence is there to suggest that the Mohune family were at one time very wealthy and well-regarded in the village? Include evidence from both extracts to support your answer.

2 marks

Look at the paragraph beginning *‘My heart was in my mouth...’*

30. How do you think the character felt when using the phrase, *‘My heart was in my mouth...’*?

1 mark

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31. How old was Elzevir Block?

1 mark

32. Which of these languages does the extract say Elzevir could speak? Tick **one**.

1 mark

German

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Mohune

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Dutch

☐

French

☐

Look at the lines '*...if people loved to tell stories of his strength, they would speak also of widows helped, and sick comforted with unknown gifts, and hint that some of them came from Elzevir Block*'

33. Identify two types of people helped with acts of kindness by Elzevir Block?

1 mark

34. In the second extract, the pub is described as having very few customers.

**Find** and **copy** evidence from more than one different paragraph to support this.

2 marks

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

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35. At the end of the extract, John Trenchard and Ratsey have just entered the pub. Do you think Elzevir Block would be pleased to see them? Use evidence from the text to support your answer.

2 marks

Yes

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No

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Yes and No

☐

End of questions about ‘Moonfleet’



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