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## Literacy 2021

### **32403 Read written texts to understand ideas and information**

Credits: Five

OUTCOMES	
1	Read to make sense of written texts.
2	Read written texts with critical awareness.
3	Read written texts for different purposes.

**You should attempt ALL the questions in this booklet.**

Check that this booklet has pages 2–14 in the correct order and that none of these pages is blank.

**YOU MUST HAND THIS BOOKLET TO THE SUPERVISOR AT THE END OF THE ASSESSMENT.**

## QUESTION ONE

Read the social media thread below and select (✓) the correct answer to all parts of the question.

### Mele

Hey everyone

A whole lot of us are disgusted at the state of the riverbank down here. And it's time someone did something about it and so we decided it would be us! Because we care! This Saturday we are all going to meet down by the estuary at about 9.00 a.m. – so get all your mates together and join us.

### Pania

Awesome! My friend did this up the coast and they got about 300 kg of rubbish – mainly plastic stuff. She said she wished she had gloves because it got a bit yucky. I will get my mates to come too.

### Ben

No way, Pania. People should pick up their own rubbish. I've got better things to do on Saturday. And anyway, it's just rubbish. Who cares?

### Joyce

That's really great. It is lovely to see young people who care about things and take up the initiative like that. I remember swimming down there when I was a girl. I shudder to think about what I might swallow if I swam there now.

### Lee

@**Ben**, I care. Did you know that most of the rubbish along there means that pathogens like bacteria or viruses are toxic and affect the ecosystem? Do you care about that?

(c) Who is most likely to post this photo?

- Ben
- Lee
- Pania
- Joyce



(e) Why did Lee tag Ben in her post (“@Ben”)?

- to show she agreed with Ben
- to show that Ben is still her friend
- to show she was responding to Ben
- to show she was not responding to Ben

## QUESTION TWO

Read the article and below and select (✓) the correct answer to all parts of the question.

### **From her aunt's garage to the world stage**

At age fifteen, Parris Goebel started a dance group, ReQuest, in her aunt's garage with four of her friends.

Now she has stars lining up wanting her as their choreographer.

Parris grew up the youngest of four children in Manurewa, in Auckland. She loved dance even as a small child, and by age eight was enrolled in tap, jazz, and ballet classes. But she found her true passion when she started hip hop dance lessons at age ten.

By age seventeen, Parris had cofounded the Palace Dance Studio and had pioneered a style of hip hop dance called Polyswagg, which she describes as "combining sassy woman fire with aggressive inner strength." This distinctive style, which includes motifs such as glitchy, full body twerking and caterpillar formations, brought Parris and her dance groups international attention after they won gold eight times at the World Hip Hop Championships.

Since then, Parris has done everything from directing thirteen of Justin Bieber's music videos (5.3 billion views on YouTube) to choreographing Jennifer Lopez's dance routine at the 2020 Superbowl halftime show (watched by 103 million viewers in the United States). Parris has also worked with a long list of artists, including Ciara, Ariana Grande, Little Mix, Rihanna, Janet Jackson, Nicki Minaj, Big Bang, 2NE1, CL, and Taeyang.

She's packed so much into her life that she wrote her autobiography three years ago at the age of 25.

Parris is proud of her Samoan, Chinese, and Scottish heritage and is passionate about helping people to express and empower themselves through dance.

She also gives back to the community, running the charity Sisters United along with her sisters Kendal and Narelle, which offers mentoring and employment programmes for young people.

- (c) Which word has closest meaning to the word 'pioneered', as used in this sentence?

*By age seventeen, Parris had cofounded the Palace Dance Studio and had **pioneered** a style of hip hop dance called Polyswagg.*

- taught
- learned
- watched
- developed

- (d) *She's packed so much into her life that she wrote her autobiography three years ago at the age of 25.*

An autobiography is a book someone writes about their own life.

The author most likely thinks:

- Parris should have written her autobiography later in life
- Parris should have written her autobiography at a younger age
- Parris wrote an autobiography because she knows lots of famous people
- Parris wrote an autobiography because she has achieved a lot at a young age

**QUESTION THREE**

Read the beginning of the novel *Bugs* and select (✓) the correct answer to all parts of the question.



Source (adapted): Hereaka, W. (2013). *Bugs*. Huia.

(a) Who does Bugs say “Yeah, I know” (line 2) to?

- Jez
- Bugs
- the reader
- the mother

- (d) The writer used italics for some of the words, e.g., “*Like a Bunny! Hey check out little Bugs here, eh?*” because:

- they are not appropriate words
- they are quite humorous words
- someone else is saying the words
- they all have the word ‘bugs’ in them

- (e) Here is part of an interview with the author of *Bugs*, Whiti Hereaka:

*When I first started writing I'd assumed Bugs was a boy and it was a real surprise to me when I wrote further and I found out she wasn't. Usually an active and decisive character is male and when I thought about it, I decided to challenge that stereotype about female characters with Bugs*

How does Whiti Hereaka challenge the reader's stereotype of female characters in the extract from *Bugs*?

- by making Bugs hate carrots
- by not revealing Bugs' real name
- by not stating clearly whether Bugs was male or female
- by calling the main character Bugs, which is a rabbit's name

## QUESTION FOUR

Read the article below and select (✓) the correct answer to all parts of the question.

### Why you shouldn't buy YouTube subscribers

By Christina Newberry



The article content is completely obscured by heavy redaction marks.

Source (adapted): Newberry, C. (2021, June 10). *How to Get Free YouTube Subscribers (the Real Way)*. Hootsuite.  
<https://blog.hootsuite.com/how-to-get-free-youtube-subscribers/>

(b) Which of these facts from the author's bio make the information in this article more credible (believable)?

- the author is a proofreader
- the author has written a book
- the author is a digital marketing expert
- the author is a travel and lifestyle writer

(c) Which word was shortened to make the new word 'bot' (*Bot subscribers that don't engage*)?

- robot
- bottle
- bottom
- sabotage

(d) *Whether you get them through a free scheme or you pay for them, what do you get?*

- *Bot subscribers that don't engage*
- *A bad look for your real audience, who are probably quite keen on authenticity*
- *The risk of running afoul of YouTube's fake engagement policy (which could lead to you getting banned)*
- *Potential stink-eye from any brands that might eventually want to partner with you*

The bullet points in the article help the reader by:

- listing all the advantages of buying subscribers
- providing instructions on how to buy subscribers
- emphasising what could happen if you buy subscribers
- showing this information isn't important so you don't need to read it

## QUESTION FIVE

Read the text below and select (✓) the correct answer to all parts of the question.

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NZTA diagram illustrating the importance of tyre tread

of tyre tread. "While you can pass your WOF with 1.5 mm of tread, your tyres won't have the same grip on the road as they would with a deeper tread on a newer tyre. This is magnified when you travel fast and on wet roads."

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(a) What is the writer's main purpose in writing this article?

- to promote road safety to the reader
- to advertise Tyrone's business to the reader
- to encourage readers to check their WOF is up-to-date
- to inform the reader of NZTA guidelines for tyre tread

(c) Why do tyres have tread?

- to ensure you pass your WOF
- to prevent your car from skidding
- to make the car move more quickly
- to keep your tyres from wearing out

## QUESTION SIX

Merida has spilt blackcurrant juice on her aunt's cream carpet. It has made a large red stain. She does an internet search to see how she can fix the problem before her aunt gets home in a few hours.

Which one of these search results should she click on?

- [www.thecarpetfactory.co.nz](http://www.thecarpetfactory.co.nz)

### **The Carpet Factory**

Sick of stained carpets? Cover your floor with one of our stain-resistant synthetic solution-dyed nylon carpets. Cut pile, loop, textured, plush, patterned – you name it, we'll have it in stock

- [www.miracleclean.com](http://www.miracleclean.com)

### **Miracle carpet cleaner**

Best ever carpet cleaner. Just spray on wet stains, then dab, and your carpet will appear brand new. Only available online. Ships from USA.

- [www.cupidcarpetcleaners.co.nz](http://www.cupidcarpetcleaners.co.nz)

### **Cupid Carpet Cleaners.**

Special – 3 rooms \$119, 5 rooms \$159

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- [www.getstainsout.org.nz](http://www.getstainsout.org.nz)

### **Carpet vs stains: How to win the fight**

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## QUESTION SEVEN

Sita wants to take her six-year-old nephew to the movies. Her nephew loves cars.

She checks a movie review website to work out which movie would be most suitable and enjoyable.

Read the reviews below and select (✓) the correct answer to all parts of the question.

### Zoom

This delightful animated movie will have everyone laughing. Zoom is the smallest car on the racetrack but has big dreams of winning the world championship.

### McLaren

Following the life of car designer, driver, and inventor Bruce McLaren from his childhood in New Zealand to international fame, this documentary is slow paced and at times gets bogged down in the technical details.

### Hot Tracks

A non-stop extravaganza of motion and colour, *Hot Tracks* is one action sequence after another, punctuated by X-rated scenes. It will have you gripping the edge of your seat as you join the ride of a gang of car thieves. Silly but fun.

### Krazy Cars

This sugar-laced movie is a snorefest for everyone out of nappies. While the musical numbers are catchy, the plot is convoluted and confusing.

(a) Which of the four movies is most likely to be suitable and enjoyable for both Sita and her nephew?

- Zoom*
- McLaren*
- Hot Tracks*
- Krazy Cars*

(b) Which of the movies does the reviewer dislike the most?

- Zoom*
- McLaren*
- Hot Tracks*
- Krazy Cars*

*This is the end of the assessment.*

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**Question One**

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