

# Big Book 2 Midterm Test

Units 1-10

## A. Choose the right answer to fill in each blank from the box.

treasure	joy	fork	precious	energy
protect	income	scary	schoolyard	unusual

- Father, I just came across a scary creature.
- You may be a treasure to the people who prize you.
- Every day, Lassie would go to Joe's schoolyard and wait for Joe.
- The angel touched Karen and filled her heart with joy.
- All animals also need food for energy.
- Lichens can survive in unusual places.
- The bread is dipped into the cheese using a long fork.
- Americans like to protect wild animals.
- Silk was a very precious material.
- This kind of tax is called an income tax.

## B. Match each word or phrase to its correct definition.

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| 11. pause    | • | • | a. not cooked                                  |
| 12. bend     | • | • | b. to go on                                    |
| 13. continue | • | • | c. garbage                                     |
| 14. soldier  | • | • | d. free from danger                            |
| 15. raw      | • | • | e. a grown-up person                           |
| 16. waste    | • | • | f. to rest for a moment                        |
| 17. spice    | • | • | g. a fine piece of cord made from fabric       |
| 18. safe     | • | • | h. a substance used for seasoning food         |
| 19. thread   | • | • | i. a person in the army                        |
| 20. adult    | • | • | j. to move your body so that it's not straight |

**C. Read and answer.****[21-22]****Lassie Come Home**

Lassie was a collie, which is a type of dog. She lived with a boy named Joe and his parents in Yorkshire, England. The time was during World War I. Many people were poor, including Joe's parents. Still, Lassie brought much love to Joe and his family. Every day, Lassie would go to Joe's schoolyard and wait for Joe.

World War I continued. Joe's parents grew so poor that they decided they must sell Lassie. A rich man, the Duke of Rudling, had always admired Lassie. So, he bought her.

Joe was heartbroken without Lassie, and Lassie missed Joe too. So, Lassie escaped from her cage and returned to Joe. Lassie was brought back to the Duke. Still, she escaped again and returned to Joe.

The Duke decided to move to Scotland. He took Lassie with him. The Duke had a granddaughter, Priscilla. She sensed Lassie's sadness. One day, Priscilla helped Lassie escape. Lassie began the long journey back to Joe. After many hardships, Lassie finally made it to Joe's schoolyard. Joe saw Lassie, and they lived happily ever after.

21. What is this reading about?

- a. A boy who didn't like school.
- b. A long journey to Scotland.
- c. Life during World War I.

**d. A dog who came home to her owner.**

22. Read and choose the correct answer.

Joe's parents grew so \_\_\_\_\_ that they decided they must sell Lassie.

- a. happy
- b. poor**
- c. rich
- d. old

[23-25]

### Three Basic Needs of Animals

Mitch and David both loved animals. One day, the boys went to the zoo. Each boy ran to the cage of his favorite animal. Mitch's favorite animal was the lion. David's favorite animal was the monkey.

Later, the boys discussed the similarities between their favorite animals.

"Our favorite animals are different," said Mitch. "But each shares some of the same things."

"Yes!" said David. "For example, both monkeys and lions need water for drinking. There was a pond in the lion cage and a pond in the monkey cage."

"Lions, monkeys, and all animals also need food for energy," said Mitch. "The monkeys were eating leaves, fruits, and small animals. The lions were eating raw meat."

"Both types of animals also need to be in their proper habitats," said David. "This is so they feel like they are at home in the wild. The lion cage was dry and it had tall grasses. The monkey cage was full of trees."

The boys agreed their favorite animals, and all animals, need water, food, and proper habitats.

23. What is the main idea of the last paragraph?

- a. David's favorite animal is a monkey.
- b. Monkeys and lions are different.
- c. All animals need three things to live.**
- d. Lions and monkeys live in a cage.

24. What is false according to the reading?

- a. Mitch and David love animals.
- b. Mitch's favorite animal is an elephant.**
- c. Monkeys and lions need water.
- d. Lions and monkeys live in a cage.

25. What is the name of the place where people can see lions and monkeys?

- a. a house
- b. a zoo**
- c. a pond
- d. a tree

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**D. Read and write.****The Story of Silk**

Do you have clothes made of silk? Silk is a fiber. It is made by an insect called the silkworm. A silkworm makes silk using organs in its mouth. The silkworm makes a cocoon using silk.

Silk was first discovered by ancient Chinese people. The ancient Chinese also discovered how to use silk to make fabric. The ancient Chinese unwound the cocoons of silkworms. They used the thread to make clothing and textiles. Silk was a very precious material. Originally, only very rich people could wear silk.

The ancient Chinese also traded silk for goods. Silk was traded for gold, gems, and even horses. Trading allowed silk to be transported to the west. The trading route became known as the Silk Road. Silk was brought to places like the Middle East and Europe. Silk has an interesting history! A little insect can have a big impact on the world!

Complete the sentence with the correct words from the reading.

26. Silk was first discovered by ancient Chinese people.

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Correct the underlined part and rewrite the sentence.

28. A silkworm makes silk using organs in its feet.

A silkworm makes silk using organs in its **mouth**.

29. They used the thread to make gold and textiles.

They used the thread to make **clothing** and textiles.

30. Trading allowed silk to be transported to the east.

Trading allowed silk to be transported to the **west**.