



**St Margaret College**  
**Half Yearly Examinations 2015**

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**Year 5**

**English Listening**

**Time: 30 min**

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**Teacher's Paper**

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

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

- a) 5 minutes – First reading aloud of passage by teacher
- b) 5 minutes – Teacher reads out the questions
- c) 5 minutes – Second reading aloud of passage by teacher
- d) 5 minutes – Pupils answer questions
- e) 5 minutes – Third reading aloud of passage by teacher
- f) 5 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 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.**

## Instructions

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| 1. | - I am going to read a story called <b>'The Dragon on the Roof'</b> and you are to listen carefully. Do not answer the questions or write anything while I am reading. |
| 2. | - Open the exam paper and look at the questions.<br>- I will read the questions to you once.   |
| 3. | - Close the exam paper and listen carefully.<br>- I will read the story a second time.<br>- Do not write anything while I am reading.                                  |
| 4. | - You have five minutes to answer questions 1 to 12.<br>- In questions 1 to 11 put a tick in the correct box.<br>- In question 12 fill in with a suitable word.        |
| 5. | - I will read the passage a third time.<br>- You may complete any unanswered questions as I read.  |
| 6. | - You now have five minutes to check your answers and complete any unanswered questions.   |

Questions 1 to 10 (1 mark each) = 10 marks

Question 11 (2 marks each) = 10 marks

## The Dragon on the Roof

1. A long time ago, in China, there lived a dragon.
2. This dragon once flew down from the mountains and settled on the roof of the house of a young, rich merchant.
3. The merchant and his wife and family were terrified out of their wits. They looked out of the windows and could see the shadows of the dragon's wings stretching out over the ground below them.
4. When they looked up they could see the dragon's great yellow claws sticking into the roof above them.
5. "What are we going to do?" cried the merchant's wife.
6. "Perhaps it will be gone in the morning," said the merchant. "Let's go to bed and hope."
7. So they all went to bed and lay there shivering. And nobody slept a wink at night. They just lay there listening to the sound of the dragon's leathery wings beating on the walls behind their beds, and the scraping of the dragon's scaly belly on the tiles above their heads.
8. The next day, the dragon was still there, warming its tail on the chimney-pot. And no one in the house dared to stick so much as a finger out of doors.
9. "We can't go on like this!" cried the merchant's wife. "Sometimes dragons stay like that for a thousand years!"

10. So once again they waited until nightfall, but this time the merchant and his family crept out of the house as quiet as could be. They could hear the dragon snoring away high above them, and they could feel the warm breeze of his breath blowing down their necks.
11. By the time they got half-way across, they were so frightened that they all suddenly started to run. They ran out of the gardens and off into the night.
12. And they didn't stop running until they reached the great city, where the king lived.

(Adapted from The Dragon on the Roof by Terry Jones)

Tick (✓) the correct answer

1. Where did the story take place?

|    |         |  |
|----|---------|--|
| a) | Japan   |  |
| b) | China   |  |
| c) | Belgium |  |
| d) | France  |  |

2. Where did the dragon come from?

|    |                        |  |
|----|------------------------|--|
| a) | From the sea.          |  |
| b) | From under the ground. |  |
| c) | From the mountains.    |  |
| d) | From a volcano.        |  |

3. How was the merchant described?

|    |                 |  |
|----|-----------------|--|
| a) | Young and poor. |  |
| b) | Poor and old.   |  |
| c) | Rich and old.   |  |
| d) | Young and rich. |  |

4. The merchant and his family

|    |                                   |  |
|----|-----------------------------------|--|
| a) | were happy to see the dragon.     |  |
| b) | were surprised to see the dragon. |  |
| c) | were scared of the dragon.        |  |
| d) | fought the dragon.                |  |

5. The dragon had

|    |                    |  |
|----|--------------------|--|
| a) | great red claws    |  |
| b) | great orange claws |  |
| c) | great yellow claws |  |
| d) | great brown claws  |  |

6. When night came

|    |   |  |
|----|---|--|
| a) | the merchant and his family fell asleep.            |  |
| b) | the merchant and his family stayed awake.           |  |
| c) | the merchant and his family talked with the dragon. |  |
| d) | the merchant and his family spoke to the king.      |  |

7. The next day

|    |   |  |
|----|---|--|
| a) | the dragon warmed its tail on the chimney-pot.    |  |
| b) | the merchant warmed his hands on the chimney-pot. |  |
| c) | the dragon puffed fire through the chimney-pot.   |  |
| d) | the merchant had breakfast on the chimney-pot.    |  |

8. Dragons stay in one place for

|    |                   |  |
|----|-------------------|--|
| a) | a whole day.      |  |
| b) | a hundred days.   |  |
| c) | a hundred years.  |  |
| d) | a thousand years. |  |

9. On the second night, the merchant and his family

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|----|--------------------------------------|--|
| a) | crept out of the house all the way.  |  |
| b) | crept out of the house half-way.     |  |
| c) | ran out of the house all the way.    |  |
| d) | walked out of the house all the way. |  |

10. The merchant and his family

|    |                                    |  |
|----|------------------------------------|--|
| a) | ran until they reached the dragon. |  |
| b) | ran until they reached the king.   |  |
| c) | ran until they reached the prince. |  |
| d) | ran until they got tired.          |  |

11. Tick (✓) the right answer:

|    |  | True | False |
|----|--|------|-------|
| a) | The dragon settled on a roof.                |      |       |
| b) | No one could see the dragon's wings shadows. |      |       |
| c) | The dragon made a cheerful sound.            |      |       |
| d) | The dragon slept for a thousand years.       |      |       |
| e) | The king lived in the merchant's house.      |      |       |

**END OF PAPER**