

Legs' Race Year 4 optional SAT

Name _____

Date _____

1. Answer this questions about *Legs' Race*

1. Legs was training for the race. This year she wanted

to be
first.

to be in the
first five.

to be
second.

to finish in
tenth place.

1 mark

2. Uncle Udi had moved in with Legs' family

to eat supper
by candlelight.

to mend the
cables.

to be near the
hospital.

to watch
Legs run.

1 mark

3. That afternoon there was a storm which caused

the electrical
power to fail.

the phones to
start ringing.

Legs' family to
eat spaghetti.

the earth to
dry up.

1 mark

4. Legs was woken by her mother because

it was still
dark.

Legs had
overslept.

it was time
to get up.

Uncle Udi
was ill.

1 mark

5. Legs had to help by running

to the
hospital.

the race.

in Zoo Park.

another
kilometre.

1 mark

6. When Legs finally reached the start of the race she found

it was still
raining.

it had already
begun.

it was to be
run next week.

it had already
finished.

1 mark

7. a) Which animal did Uncle Udi compare Legs to?

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1 mark

b) Why?

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1 mark

8. Explain why you think Legs did not want Uncle Udi as a running partner.

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2 marks

9. What does the word *scrambled* tell you about the way Legs got dressed?

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1 mark

10. What are *tackies*?

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1 mark

11. The author makes Legs' run to the hospital seem like a race.
Find **two** ways the author does this.

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2 marks

12. Why did Legs feel sad when she was running to the hospital?
Give **two** reasons.

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2 marks

13. Look at this section of the story:

*It would take her another twenty minutes to get to the hospital.
By then it would be six o'clock.
Then find help.
Then get a lift with the ambulance driver.*

*She might be in time for the start.
If she ran all the way.*

What is the author trying to tell you about Legs by writing this section in short lines?

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14. *"It's my uncle...please come...his heart..."*

What does this sentence tell you about the way Legs was speaking?

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1 mark

15. *Legs could hear a giant clock beating time in her head.*

What does this tell you about what Legs was thinking?

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1 mark

16. *Legs heaved a sigh of relief.*

Explain what Legs was thinking.

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1 mark

17. Why was Legs pleased to see her uncle at the race?

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1 mark

18. How do we know Legs and Uncle Udi got on well?
Tick **two** answers.

He is proud of her running.

He makes her spaghetti.

He takes her to hospital.

He comes to see her race.

He mends the power lines.

1 mark

19. Join the boxes to show how Legs felt at different points in the story.
One has been done for you.

training	•	worried
running to the hospital	•	delighted
at the hospital	•	excited
when the race is postponed	•	frustrated
when Uncle Udi arrives	•	relieved

2 marks

20. The beginning and the ending of the story are similar in a number of ways. Write **two**.

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2 marks

21. In the story, clocks and time are mentioned a lot.
Why do you think the author has done this?

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2 marks

22. What was the most exciting part of the story?
Tick **one**.

the race to the hospital

the race in Zoo Park

Explain your answer as fully as you can.

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1 mark