

# NAPLAN — Year 3 Literacy

## Set 1 — Sample Reading test answers

### About the sample Reading tests

These units provide experience of the reading test format. Teachers could also use these materials either for assessment or for teaching, for example, to teach:

- strategies such as Question Answer Relationships (QARs)
- text location strategies such as key word hunts
- persistence and stamina.

For example, you could use the stimulus materials as a running record or you might use it for students to develop their own questions using what they have learnt about QARs.

### Answers

<b>Trip to the zoo</b>	1 C; 2 A; 3 D; 4 A; 5 C; 6 B; 7 C; 8 D
<b>Nasturtiums</b>	9 C; 10 B; 11 A; 12 D; 13 2, 4, 3, 1; 14 D; 15 A
<b>The excitement of being Ernest</b>	16 C; 17 A; 18 A; 19 D; 20 B; 21 C; 22 D; 23 B; 24 D

### References

Raphael, TE, Highfield, K & Au, KH 2006, *QAR Now: Question and answer relationships*, Scholastic, New York.

Beck, IL, McKeown, MG & Kucan, L 2006, *Improving comprehension with questioning the author: A fresh and expanded view of a powerful approach*, Scholastic, New York.

### Resources

Resources on the QSA website that may be useful include:

- *Poster: In the book or in your head* — [www.qsa.qld.edu.au/1443.html](http://www.qsa.qld.edu.au/1443.html)
- *Teacher's notes: Locating information* — [www.qsa.qld.edu.au/1443.html](http://www.qsa.qld.edu.au/1443.html)
- *Poster: Thinking about a story* — [www.qsa.qld.edu.au/1443.html](http://www.qsa.qld.edu.au/1443.html)
- *Teaching reading and viewing: Guide for Years 1–3* — [www.qsa.qld.edu.au/yr3-english-resources.html](http://www.qsa.qld.edu.au/yr3-english-resources.html)
- *Teaching reading and viewing: Comprehension strategies* — [www.qsa.qld.edu.au/yr3-english-resources.html](http://www.qsa.qld.edu.au/yr3-english-resources.html)
- *Framework for Reading items* — [www.qsa.qld.edu.au/1443.html](http://www.qsa.qld.edu.au/1443.html).

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