

# NAPLAN — Year 3 Literacy

## Set 3 — Sample Reading test answers

### About the sample Reading tests

The materials have been designed so that they can be used as individual units or as a mini-test paper incorporating a number of reading units. Teachers in all subject areas should take note of the type of reading skill signalled in these tests and incorporate explicit teaching and assessment of reading skills in their own subject area lessons.

These sample Reading test units could be used to show strategies such as

- Question Answer Relationships (QARs), including a stage in which students write their own questions based on the stimulus texts
- text location strategies such as “key word in the margin”
- inferential questions, both those that are text-based and those that are context-based
- responding to evaluation questions
- persistence and stamina.

### Answers

<b>April Fool’s Day</b>	1 B; 2 A; 3 B; 4 C; 5 A; 6 C; 7 D; 8 C
<b>Max’s Secret</b>	9 A; 10 C; 11 C; 12 D; 13 A; 14 C; 15 D; 16 A; 17 D; 18 B; 19 B
<b>Save the Planet</b>	20 B; 21 C; 22 D; 23 B; 24 B; 25 C; 26 B; 27 1, 3,5,2,6,4

### References

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### 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).