

Young Explorers 2



Teacher's notes for the Comprehension Test: *Jump, Stick, Jump*

- Do this test after you have read the whole book with the class.
- Ask the children to fill in their name and the date at the top of the page.
- Tell the children that this is part of the *Jump, Stick, Jump* story.
- Ask them to read the text silently.
- Remind them to look at the picture, too.
- If there are any words they have forgotten, tell them not to worry. Tell them to read everything they can.
- When they have finished reading the text, ask them to read each question one at a time.
- Do not give any help.
- Then ask them to read the three possible answers that are given.
- Ask them to underline which answer they think is correct.
- Do not allow the children to talk or to copy each other's work.
- Collect the test papers, mark the scores and fill in the results on the class record sheet.

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Name _____

Date _____



Tom and Anna had six hens. Every day, the hens gave six eggs. Tom took the eggs to the market.

One day, the hens were sick.

Anna said, 'We have no eggs. We have no money to buy food.'

Tom said, 'I must go and look for work.'

Tom went to the town. On the way, he met an old man. The old man was tired and hungry. Tom gave the old man some bread and water. He helped the old man to walk home.

The old man said, 'You helped me – so I will help you. Take this cloth. Say the words "Shake, cloth, shake!" and you will have all the food you want.'

Tom said, 'Thank you.'

Tom went on his way. At night-time, he was still a long way from the town.

Then he saw a farm.

Tom knocked on the door. The farmer opened it.

Tom said, 'Can I stay here tonight?'

The farmer looked at Tom's bag. 'Come in,' he said.

Tom went to his room. He said. 'Shake, cloth, shake!'

Tom said. 'Now I have all the food I want!'

But the farmer saw everything. Tom ate the food.

When Tom was asleep, the farmer came quietly into the room. He took Tom's cloth. He put another cloth in the bag.

Choose and underline the correct answer.

1. Tom and Anna had six _____.
a) pens b) tens c) hens
2. Tom took the eggs to the _____.
a) town b) market c) farm
3. Tom said, 'I must go and look for _____.'
a) work b) food c) money
4. Tom gave the old _____ some bread and water.
a) hen b) donkey c) man
5. The old man said, 'Take this _____.'
a) cloth b) bag c) door
6. Tom _____ on his way.
a) were b) will c) went
7. At night-time, Tom _____ a farm.
a) said b) saw c) was
8. The farmer looked at Tom's _____.
a) bad b) bed c) bag
9. Tom ate the _____.
a) eggs b) food c) bread
10. When Tom was _____, the farmer came quietly into the room.
a) away b) again c) asleep

Teacher's notes for the Word Recognition Test: *Jump, Stick, Jump*

- Do this test after you have read the whole book with the class.
- Ask the children to fill in their name and the date at the top of the page.
- Tell the children that the words all come from the *Jump, Stick, Jump* book.
- Tell the children to listen to each sentence that you read. Read the first sentence to the class and stress the word in bold print. Say the word in bold print again, on its own, when you have finished the sentence.
- Ask the children to choose which word they think it is from the three possible words they are given for that sentence.
- Ask them to underline the word of their choice. (If they make a mistake and want to change their mind, tell them to cross out the wrong answer and underline the correct answer.)
- Repeat this procedure with each sentence.
- Make sure the children know which number sentence you are reading each time.
- Do not give any help.
- Do not allow the children to talk or to copy each other's work.
- Collect the test papers, mark the scores and fill in the results on the class record sheet.

Test sentences and words

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| 1. One day, the hens were sick . | sick |
| 2. Tom was still a long way from the town. | from |
| 3. Tom said to the farmer, 'Can I stay here tonight?' | stay |
| 4. Tom went to bed . | bed |
| 5. Tom went to see the old man again . | again |
| 6. The donkey will flap its ears . | ears |
| 7. Tom said, 'Now I have all the gold coins I want.' | gold |
| 8. Tom went home to Anna. | home |
| 9. Tom woke up and ran out of the house. | out |
| 10. The farmer said, 'I will take the stick.' | take |

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Underline the correct word.

1. a) sick b) stick c) six
2. a) farm b) from c) for
3. a) still b) say c) stay
4. a) bad b) bed c) bud
5. a) away b) asleep c) again
6. a) ears b) eggs c) every
7. a) old b) cold c) gold
8. a) house b) home c) have
9. a) out b) on c) one
10. a) took b) thank c) take