

Year 4 English Assessment: Exploring Christmas Stories

Learning objective: To demonstrate understanding of Christmas stories and language features, and to apply skills in reading, writing, and comprehension.

Select a pencil or pen and read each question carefully. Write your answers in complete sentences and use your own words. You may refer to your notes or any other resources provided.

Word bank: narrative · description · imagery · character · plot · setting · theme · Christmas

1. What is the main theme of a Christmas story? Provide an example. (2 marks)

2. Describe the setting of a Christmas story. What makes it festive? (2 marks)

3. What is the role of a main character in a Christmas story? Give a brief example from a Christmas book you have read. (2 marks)

4. How do authors use descriptive language to create a festive atmosphere in a Christmas story? (2 marks)

5. Compare and contrast two Christmas stories you have read. What are the similarities and differences? (4 marks)

6. Explain the importance of the title of a Christmas story. Give an example and explain why it suits the story. (3 marks)

Draw: Draw a picture of your favourite Christmas character. Include details about their appearance, expression, and accessories.



Extension challenge: {'title': 'Write a Christmas Story', 'mark_allocation': '5', 'instructions': 'Imagine you are a writer of Christmas stories. Write a short story (about 150-200 words) about a magical Christmas event that happens in your town. Include a main character, a plot, and a festive setting.', 'word_limit': '200', 'total': '/15'}