

# Grade 1 Spelling Assessment: Adventures with Max and Pip

*Learning objective: To assess spelling accuracy, including suffixes, common exception words, and contractions in line with the Grade 1 National Curriculum.*

Read each question carefully. Use your best handwriting and check your spelling at the end. You have 30 minutes to complete this paper.

Max the monkey was counting his banana coins. Pip the caterpillar watched him closely. 'You should count them carefully,' said Pip. Max was jumping for joy because he had saved enough for a beautiful new book. They couldn't wait to go to the library.

*Word bank: happier · jumping · could · beautiful · watched · shouldn't · asked*

**1. Find two words from the passage that end with the suffix '-ed'. Write them below. (2 marks)**

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**2. Max wants to write a note to his friend. Choose the correct spelling to complete the sentence: 'The forest looks very \_\_\_\_\_ today.' (beautifull / beautiful) (1 mark)**

**3. Write the contraction for the words 'could not'. (1 mark)**

**4. Add the suffix '-er' to the word 'happy' to complete this sentence: 'Pip felt \_\_\_\_\_ when he finished his favorite story.' (2 marks)**

**5. Write a sentence using the word 'asked'. Your sentence must be punctuated correctly with a capital letter and a full stop. (3 marks)**

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**6. Explain why we use an apostrophe in the word 'shouldn't'. Give an example of another word that uses an apostrophe in the same way. (4 marks)**

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7. Max has 5 coins. He finds 7 more. Write a short story (3-4 sentences) about what Max does next. You must use at least three words from the word bank in your writing. (5 marks)

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8. Look at the word 'jumping'. What is the root word? If you wanted to describe someone who jumped yesterday, how would you spell it? (3 marks)

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9. Correct the spelling error in this sentence: 'I wud like to go to the park with Pip.' (4 marks)

**Draw:** Draw a picture of Max the monkey and Pip the caterpillar sharing a basket of coins worth £12.



*Extension challenge: Challenge: Write a poem about a star in the sky using at least two words ending in '-ing' and two words ending in '-ed'. Total: /25*