

World Book Day Challenge: A Literary Adventure with Pip

Learning objective: To assess reading comprehension, vocabulary, and creative writing skills related to the celebration of books and reading.

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions below. Ensure your answers are written in full sentences where requested. Total marks available: 25.

Every year, Pip the caterpillar spends weeks preparing for World Book Day. Pip loves collecting new words like a squirrel gathers nuts for winter. This year, Pip wants to dress up as a famous explorer from an adventure story. Pip has been busy reading books about mountains, deep jungles, and hidden caves. 'Books are like magic portals,' Pip says with a happy wiggle. 'They let me travel to places I have never been, all while sitting on my favourite leaf.' At school, Pip and the other animals share their favourite stories. They talk about brave heroes, silly sidekicks, and mysterious settings. It is a time for everyone to share the joy of reading and to discover stories that change the way they see the world.

Word bank: imagination · narrative · adventure · character · vocabulary · celebration · literary

1. Why does Pip collect new words like a squirrel gathers nuts? (Recall) (2 marks)

2. What metaphor does Pip use to describe books in the passage? Explain what this means in your own words. (Comprehension) (3 marks)

3. List three different types of locations Pip has been reading about. (Recall) (3 marks)

4. Why is World Book Day considered a special 'celebration' for Pip and the other animals? (Inference) (4 marks)

5. If you could step into a book, which world would you visit and why? Write a short paragraph explaining your choice. (Creative Application) (8 marks)

6. Find and copy one adjective from the passage that describes a 'hero'. (Vocabulary) (2 marks)

7. Why is reading important for learning about the world? (Evaluation) (3 marks)

Draw: Draw a picture of Pip the caterpillar dressed up as an explorer, holding a favourite book.



Extension challenge: Total: /25. Extension: Write a poem of four lines about your favourite book character. Use at least one rhyming pair.