Une Journée au Marché - A Day at the Market

1. £2. (1 mark)

Working: The text states: 'Une livre de pommes coûte £2.'

Award 1 mark for the correct price.

2. Zainab looks at a blue scarf and a book. She chooses to buy the book. (2 marks)

Working: The text says: 'Zainab regarde une écharpe bleue... Elle préfère acheter un livre à la place.'

Award 1 mark for identifying both items and 1 mark for identifying the purchase.

3. Rosa enjoys the market because everything is very fresh. (2 marks)

Look for: Reference to the freshness of the produce.

Good: She likes it because it is fresh.

Better: Rosa enjoys the market because the text says 'tout est très frais' which means everything is very fresh.

Best: Rosa enjoys visiting the market because she likes that everything is very fresh, as stated in the text: 'Rosa aime beaucoup le marché parce que tout est très frais.'

What moves an answer up: Moving from a simple statement to including direct evidence from the text improves the answer.

4. Zainab decided not to buy the scarf because it was too expensive (£25). (2 marks)

Look for: The connection between the price and the word 'cher'.

Good: She thought it was too expensive.

Better: Zainab didn't buy the scarf because she thought £25 was 'trop cher' (too expensive).

Best: Zainab decided against the scarf because she felt £25 was too expensive, noting in the text that she 'pense que c'est trop cher'.

What moves an answer up: Using the specific vocabulary from the text demonstrates a deeper understanding of the French passage.

5. Yes, it is a good place to shop because you can find treasures without spending too much money. (2 marks)

Look for: An opinion supported by the text's conclusion.

Good: Yes, because you can find good things.

Better: Yes, it is a good place because the text says it is perfect for finding treasures without spending too much money.

Best: I think it is a great place to shop because, as the text mentions, it is an 'endroit parfait' (perfect place) to find treasures while keeping costs low.

What moves an answer up: Connecting personal opinion to the author's summary in the text provides a well-rounded argument.

What a secure answer looks like

A secure answer demonstrates the ability to extract specific numerical data and translate key descriptive adjectives from the French text.

If your child is stuck

Ask the child to look for the cognates (words that look similar in English) or use the provided word bank to translate the key sentences first.

Common mistakes to watch for

Children may confuse the price of the apples (£2) with the price of the book (£5), or misinterpret 'cher' as 'cheap' instead of 'expensive'.