

Reading

ECHO

Passage 1

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J
only	persuaded	wealthiest	wanted	announced	take	pursue	closest	purest	generosity

It was yesterday that Tewkesbury is to have a new stage school, thanks to the of the talented locally-born actor Daniel Freeman. The new, £10 million school will be built in the Ashchurch area of the town, close to the industrial estate.

Daniel spent the first ten years of his life living near to the town centre, but after being hailed by talent-spotters after his performance in his school production of *Oliver Twist* he was to move to Los Angeles to a successful acting career in Hollywood. Daniel scooped the prestigious Best Actor award at this year's Oscar's ceremony for his role in *Trumpgate*. Daniel is now one of the UK's young men and most eligible bachelors and can count 19 year old Prince George as one of his friends.

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Passage 2

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J
declined	occasion	recent	yesterday	of	currently	decision	adding	still	commence

The to build the £10 million stage school was made public during Daniel's visit to his parents who live near Tewkesbury in the village of Twyning, where they run the Village Inn public house. Daniel and his older sister Maisie bought the pub for their parents on the of their Golden Wedding anniversary last February. Maisie Freeman, herself a hugely successful actor is appearing in London's West End production of *Grease*. With characteristic modesty, Daniel to be interviewed himself, but a spokesperson for the actor was able to confirm that building work will in the summer. His publicity manager said that Daniel does not want a big fuss made about his involvement in this venture, that he had loved living in the area and wanted to give something back for future generations of young people.

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class	generous	wished	famous	ecstatic	fund	most	places	favourite	abounded

Tewkesbury's Mayor, Graham Hewitt, was photographed on the steps of the town hall giving details to the press about the stage school. "We are delighted to confirm that a new stage school is to be built in our town next year. There will be full-time for fifty 16-21 year-olds with many other acting, singing and dancing classes available. In accordance with the wishes of our benefactor, preference will be given to talented youngsters from our local area." It is understood – or hoped – that after the school is built, Mr. Handley will continue to the school annually.

Rumours about this project have for many months now; some people thought that an announcement would be made last Christmas. Others felt it would never happen.

Nevertheless, on this occasion rumours have proved to be correct and there can be no doubt that the future looks bright for stage-struck youngsters who hope to follow in the footsteps of their local hero Elliot Handley.

1 Felix is cutting up fruit to make a fruit salad. He slices twice as many bananas than apples, and three times as many strawberries than bananas.

If Felix slices 54 items of fruit altogether, how many bananas does he cut up?

2 Beatrix swims a total distance of 750 metres in the swimming pool on Tuesday afternoon. The pool measures 50m long and 25m wide.

How many lengths of the pool has Beatrix swam?

3 The number 42 bus is carrying 40% more passengers on the upper deck than on the lower deck. There are twenty passengers on the lower deck.

How many passengers are there on the bus altogether?

4 Shilpa is planting tulip bulbs. She has prepared a section of the garden that is 4 metres long. She then plants her bulbs 25cms apart along the patch of soil.

How many bulbs does she plant?

5 Saskia's baby brother, Max, sleeps for 11 hours every night and he also has an afternoon nap from 14:00 until 16:00.

For how many hours is Max awake every day?

6 Nathan needs to score a mean score of 12 points over the three courses of a cookery contest in order to qualify for the next round. He scores 10 points for his starter course and 9 points for his main course.

What must he score for his pudding course to qualify for the next round in the competition?

7 Tillie is going to replace the tiles on her kitchen floor. The kitchen measures 9m in length and is 3m wide. The tiles that she likes are square and their sides measure 75cm.

How many tiles will she need to buy?

8 Archie visits the Train Museum and sees that they have a selection of pencil sharpeners in the shape of famous trains, all priced at 59p.

How many can Archie buy with a £5 note?

9 The number 42 bus passes the corner shop every 5 minutes. The first bus goes by at 07:00.

How many buses will go past the corner shop by the time it is 09:36?

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A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J
<i>Carrie's War</i>	<i>Artemis Fowl</i>	<i>The Witches</i>	<i>The Borrowers</i>	<i>Swallows & Amazons</i>	<i>The Hobbit</i>	<i>Flour Baby</i>	<i>Private Peaceful</i>	<i>Ballet Shoes</i>	<i>A Monster Calls</i>

Book	Author	Published	Pages
<i>Carrie's War</i>	Nina Bawden	1973	160
<i>Artemis Fowl</i>	Eoin Colfer	2001	277
<i>The Witches</i>	Roald Dahl	1983	208
<i>The Borrowers</i>	Mary Norton	1952	192
<i>Swallows & Amazons</i>	Arthur Ransome	1930	320
<i>The Hobbit</i>	J R R Tolkien	1937	366
<i>Flour Baby</i>	Anne Fine	1993	156
<i>Private Peaceful</i>	Michael Morpurgo	2004	208
<i>Ballet Shoes</i>	Noel Streatfeild	2003	233
<i>A Monster Calls</i>	Patrick Ness	2011	216

Above is a table showing some famous children's books, the year they were each first published and the number of pages in each book.

- 1 Which book has 210 more pages than Anne Fine's book?
- 2 Which book was published 20 years prior to the publication of *Ballet shoes*?
- 3 Which book has 61 more pages than *A Monster Calls*?
- 4 Which book was published ten years after *The Witches*?

Synonyms

1 abet

A	B	C	D	E
help	use	save	lose	gamble

2 remorseful

A	B	C	D	E
guilty	upset	humble	sorry	wicked

3 shrewd

A	B	C	D	E
sensitive	canny	able	courteous	diplomatic

4 angelical

A	B	C	D	E
pretty	lovely	elegant	classy	cherubic

5 stoop

A	B	C	D	E
swing	hang	bend	steep	squat

6 nice

A	B	C	D	E
adaptable	available	excusable	agreeable	irritable

7 tardy

A	B	C	D	E
drowsy	lazy	late	slow	behind

8 sombre

A	B	C	D	E
murky	obscure	gloomy	misty	hazy

9 envious

A	B	C	D	E
resentful	resourceful	restful	regretful	respectful

10 tyrant

A	B	C	D	E
duke	governor	ambassador	dictator	admiral

Antonyms

1 **decent**

A	B	C	D	E
unscrupulous	degraded	suitable	generous	trendy

2 **murmur**

A	B	C	D	E
rumour	shout	smoulder	signal	calling

3 **pollute**

A	B	C	D	E
circulate	corrupt	infect	fresh	purify

4 **dormant**

A	B	C	D	E
attentive	inert	awake	excited	dynamic

5 **canny**

A	B	C	D	E
sensible	uncanny	indiscreet	weak	foolish

6 **hardy**

A	B	C	D	E
rocky	exhausted	weak	uncertain	secure

7 **frenetic**

A	B	C	D	E
rhythmic	rural	polished	plain	calm

8 **keep**

A	B	C	D	E
neglect	safe	stop	discard	loose

9 **donate**

A	B	C	D	E
return	refuse	take	profit	plain

10 **fluctuating**

A	B	C	D	E
exacting	irregular	flexible	steady	busy

Answers

Cloze

1	E	announced
2	J	generosity
3	B	persuaded
4	G	pursue
5	C	wealthiest
6	H	closest
7	G	decision
8	D	yesterday
9	I	still
10	B	occasion
11	F	currently
12	A	declined
13	J	commence
14	H	adding
15	E	ecstatic
16	H	places
17	B	generous
18	F	fund
19	J	abounded
20	D	famous

Maths 2

1	12
2	15
3	48
4	17
5	11
6	17
7	48
8	08
9	32

Maths 3

1	F
2	C
3	B
4	G

Synonyms

1	A
2	D
3	B
4	E
5	C
6	D
7	C
8	C
9	A
10	D

Antonyms

1	A
2	B
3	E
4	C
5	E
6	C
7	E
8	D
9	C
10	D