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# Reading answer booklet

## *Golden Dreams*

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## Instructions

### Questions and Answers

You have now had 15 minutes to read *Golden Dreams*. In this booklet, there are different types of question for you to answer in different ways. The space for your answer shows you what type of writing is needed.

- **short answers**  
Some questions are followed by a short line or box.  
This shows that you need only write a word or phrase in your answer.
- **several line answers**  
Some questions are followed by a few lines.  
This gives you space to write more words or a sentence or two.
- **longer answers**  
Some questions are followed by a large box.  
This shows that a longer, more detailed answer is needed to explain your opinion. You can write in full sentences if you want to.
- **other answers**  
For some questions you need do no writing at all and you should tick or draw lines to your answer. Read the instructions carefully so that you know how to answer the question.

### Marks

The number under each box at the side of the page tells you the maximum number of marks for each question.

Please wait until you are told to start work on page 4. You should work through the booklet until you are asked to stop, referring to your reading booklet when you need to. When a question includes a page reference, you should refer to the text on that page to help you with your answer.

**You will have 45 minutes to answer the questions in this booklet.**

## SECTION 1

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These questions are about the *Introduction* and *Did You Know?* (pages 4 and 5).

1. Look at the first paragraph in the introduction (page 4).  
**Find** and **copy one** word that means *want*.

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1  
  
1 mark

2. How high is the World Cup Trophy?

Tick **one**.

78 kilograms

36cm

20m

about 20cm

2  
  
1 mark

3. Why do people not collect gold from seawater?

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

3  
  
1 mark

4. How does the picture of the Eiffel Tower help you to understand the information on page 5?

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

4  
  
1 mark

**SECTION 2**

**These questions are about the comic strip (page 6).**

5. How does Silenus warn Midas about his wish?

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1 mark

6. **Find and copy** what Midas says when his wish is granted.

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6

1 mark

7. Look at the picture below.

Write down what Midas might be thinking at this point in the story.

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7

2 marks

Total

8 marks

*The comic strip*

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8. Explain how the picture and the word 'Rumble' work together to tell you the story.



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8  
  
2 marks

SECTION 3

These questions are about the story called *Midas and the Golden Wish* (pages 7–9).

9. Look at the first paragraph.

Explain how the author makes Philomena seem special.

Three horizontal lines for writing the answer to question 9.

9  
2 marks

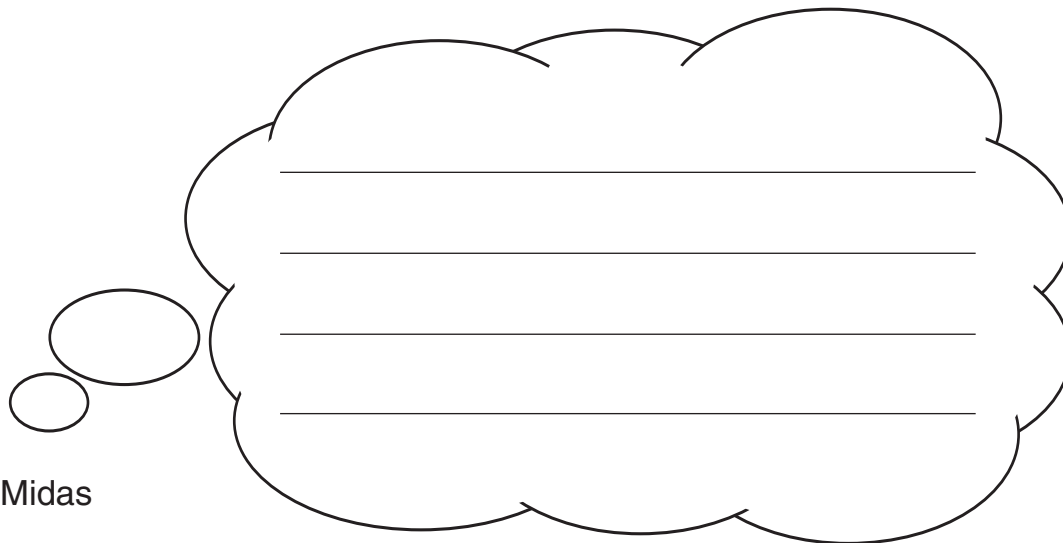
10. How do you know that Midas treats Silenus as an important visitor?

Find **two** pieces of evidence.

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
2. \_\_\_\_\_

10  
2 marks

11. Complete the thought bubble to show what Midas is thinking when he puts off telling Silenus his wish on page 8.



11  
2 marks

Total  
8 marks

*Midas and the Golden Wish*

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12. What gives Midas the idea of turning everything to gold (page 8)?

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12  
  
1 mark

13. When does Midas realise that his wish for gold was a mistake?

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13  
  
1 mark

14. When Midas is weeping on the ground (page 9), what is he thinking?

Midas

14  
  
3 marks

15. Why is the river important in the story?

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15  
  
1 mark



Midas and the Golden Wish

16. At the end of the story, why does Midas stop from time to time to touch a tree or a stone?

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16  
  
1 mark

17. What did Midas learn in this story? Explain fully.

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\_\_\_\_\_

17  
  
2 marks

18. Draw lines to match the events to Midas's feelings.

Event		Midas feels ...
Silenus arrives	•	honoured
Silenus offers a wish	•	delighted
Everything turns to gold	•	greedy
Philomena turns to gold	•	relieved
Dionysus removes the gift	•	despairing

18  
  
2 marks

Total  
  
11 marks

*Midas and the Golden Wish*

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19. *Midas and the Golden Wish* is a myth. Which of these are features of myths and traditional tales?

Tick **two**.

a wish is granted

a father loves his daughter

some action takes place in a river

there are different versions

the daughter turns to gold

an old man comes to visit

19

2 marks

**SECTION 4**

**These questions are about both the comic strip and the story (pages 6–9).**

20. In the story, Midas makes a wish, saying:

*'How I wish I had such power!'*

**Find and copy** his wish in the comic strip.

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20

1 mark

21. How does the style of language used in the comic strip differ from the language used in the story?

Explain your answer using examples from both texts.

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21

3 marks

Total

6 marks

## SECTION 5

These questions are about *The Rush for Gold* (pages 10 and 11).

22. Put ticks to show which statements are true and which are false.

	true	false
The Yukon is part of the United States of America.		
The average winter temperature in the Yukon is $-28^{\circ}\text{C}$ .		
Gold was found in the Yukon in 1896.		
People from Dawson also found gold in the area.		
100,000 gold-seekers arrived in the Yukon.		

22

2 marks

23. Why has the author included information about the average English winter temperature on page 10?

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23

1 mark

24. Look at the last paragraph on page 10.

... it took nearly a year for news about the discovery of gold to leak out ...

What does the word *leak* suggest about the way the news spread?

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

24

2 marks

25. What hardships did people face on the journey to the Yukon?

Find **three**.

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

25

3 marks

26. Put these events in order by numbering them from 1 to 5.

One has been done for you.

seekers started the journey

prospectors located gold

30,000 people completed the journey

people died

news leaked out

26

1 mark

Total

9 marks

*The Rush for Gold*

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27. Why has the author included quotations in this text?

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27  
  
2 marks

28. If you went to the Yukon today, where would it be easiest to find gold?

Tick **one**.

- in the streams
- in the ground
- in the jewellery shops
- in the mountains

28  
  
1 mark

29. Look at the paragraph beginning: *Now, many people travel ...* (page 11).

How does the content of the paragraph differ from that in the rest of the text?

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29  
  
1 mark

SECTION 6

These questions are about the whole booklet.

30. Sentences have been left out of the texts you have read. Draw lines to match each sentence to the text you think it came from.

He heard the birds twittering in the leaves above.

Did You Know?

It is milder in the summer months.

The comic strip

It is competed for every four years.

Midas and the Golden Wish

'Wow, this is great!'

The Rush for Gold

30  
1 mark

31. Why do you think the booklet is called Golden Dreams? Explain your answer fully, referring to the different texts.

Handwriting area with 8 horizontal lines for the answer.

31  
3 marks

Total  
8 marks

