# Year 6 Reading Assessment

The Holiday Answer Booklet

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Questions 26 to 36 are about ‘The Holiday’

26. How often had the children been to stay in the cottage before? Circle the best answer.

- Never
- Once
- Several times

27. Find and copy a sentence, used by the author near the beginning, which suggests this holiday would become more interesting than previous ones.

Look at this description:
‘At least one good thing about the small seaside town was a secluded little beach that few people seemed to know about. It had a mixture of soft sand, beautiful round pebbles and jagged rock-pools, all surrounded by tall cliffs. In amongst those cliffs and hidden away down a narrow winding track, the holiday cottage was fairly isolated.’

28. Draw a line to match the following words to their meanings. One has been done for you.

- Small
- Alone; separated or far away from other persons, buildings or things.
- Secluded
- Little, insignificant; not very big in size.
- Jagged
- Sheltered, private or screened from general view or activity; not seen or visited by many people.
- Isolated
- Harsh, rough or uneven; having ragged notches or sharp points protruding.
29. What simile does the author use for the helicopter hovering above the sea? Why is this a good comparison?

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Look at the line:
‘Eagerly, the siblings headed towards the action, scrambling over the rock-pools for a better view.’

30. What does the word ‘eagerly’ tell you about the children at this point?

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31. What was Maya worried about when getting closer to the scene?

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The story mentions ‘a whole group of people either watching or following with some kind of equipment’.

32. What do you think this equipment was?

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33. When the man was coming towards them, why did the children think they would not be able to turn back?

34. What special treatment did each child receive from the film crew at the end?

35. How do the children’s feelings about the holiday change through the beginning, middle and end of the story?
36. How do you think the children's mother will feel when she finds out what has happened?