Answers

Two Little Ducks

 it was as if it had accelerated from his feet. Which word is closest in meaning to accelerated? Tick one.
balanced
sped
collided
trembled
2his face had contorted with concentration and tension
What does contorted mean in this sentence? Tick one .
to show sadness
to twist out of shape
to become redder and redder
to display a serene smile
3. Look at the paragraph beginning: Two little ducks: that's all Jeff
Find and copy one word from this paragraph that is closest in meaning to 'empty'.
vacant
4. It danced merrily in the air, seemingly as proud as Jeff of their shared victory.
Find and copy two different words from the sentence above which show that the dotted card appeared to have positive feelings.
merrily
proud



5. And, as the hall erupted with sound of 'quack, quack', Jeff truly did launch into space: he was over the moon.

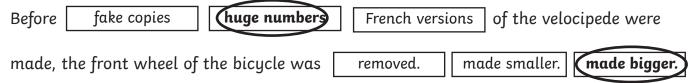
Choose the best words to match the meaning of the sentence above. Circle both of your choices.

As the hall became rauce	ous	dangeroi	ıs	silent
Jeff (was ecstatic)	was in	a rocket.	١	visited new places.

The History of Bicycles

1. ...enlarging the front wheel to create a vehicle which was mass produced as the velocipede.

Choose the best words to match the meaning of the sentence above. Circle both of your choices.



2. Look at the paragraph beginning: First appearing in English print...

Find and **copy one** word from this paragraph that is closest in meaning to 'unknown'. **unidentified**

3. The bicycle, **commonly referred to** as the bike...

What does commonly referred to mean?

Accept any answer which correctly defines the phrase 'commonly referred to' but in the child's own words, such as:

- · Commonly referred to means that something is regularly called something;
- It means when lots of people use a different name instead of an item's real name.



-	wered or motor-powered, the bicycle is the preferred mode of as of cyclists worldwide.
Which word is close	st in meaning to preferred ? Tick one .
maintained	
unique	
dreaded	
favoured	
5. French mechanics technical element	Pierre Michaux and Pierre Lallement added new s
What does technic	al elements mean in this sentence? Tick one.
practical aspects	
difficult mistakes	
scientific simplicit	J
French workmen	
Stripy Messengers, S	wollen Branches: A Spring Cinquain
1. Eager senses search	ı for welcome signs.
Which word is close	est in meaning to eager ? Tick one.
peculiar	
overwhelmed	
yearning	
disinterested	

2. The floral scent of renewal , surfing on a breeze.
What does renewal mean?
Accept any answer which correctly defines 'renewal' in the child's own
words, such as:
Renewal means when something begins again;
 It means something that had stopped but is now starting back up
3. Find and copy one word from the poem that is closest in meaning to 'a sudden occurrence'.
foray
4. A buzzing herald of bees
What does herald mean in this sentence? Tick one .
the promise of an end
unusual and unexpected events
a sign something will happen
an individual's quest
5. Find and copy a group of words which tell you that the smell of flowers is lingering in the air.
surfing on a breeze
Extended Response Challenge Acceptable points:
AP1. Overdue/welcome/the poet is desperately searching for it.
AP2. The poet sees spring as a busy time.
AP3. Warm/thawed/the poet is warming up again after winter.
AP4. The noet blushes.

AP5. The poet sees the arrival of spring as a welcome embrace.



Award 3 marks for two acceptable points, at least one with evidence, e.g.

- The poet reacts eagerly to spring because the poem says that 'eager senses' are searching. The poet also blushes when spring arrives. [AP1 + evidence and AP4]
- The poet sees spring as a busy time because it states that it is the 'year's first busy foray'. The poet also seems to welcome the warm embrace and 'first warm kiss' of spring with a 'blush'. [AP2 + evidence and AP5 + evidence]

Award 2 marks for either two acceptable points, or one acceptable point with evidence, e.g.

- The poet must like to welcome spring because it says eager senses search for it. [AP1 + evidence]
- The poet searches for spring and then blushes when it arrives. [AP1 and AP4]

Award 1 mark for one acceptable point, e.g.

- The poet blushes when spring arrives. [AP5]
- The poet thinks that spring is very busy. [AP2]



