



DEEPENING UNDERSTANDING ANSWER SHEET

A DAY IN THE LIFE OF A SOUNDWAVE – INFERENCE Qs

Question One (2 Marks)

1 mark for each of the following points (maximum of 2 marks)

Ralph was screaming at Max.

Ralph was tirelessly trying to get some sleep but failing.

Ralph tried to muffle the guitar sounds by covering his head with his pillow, but it didn't work.

Ralph got out of bed and bellowed at Max.

Question Two (1 Mark)

1 mark for explaining a reason within the context of a camping trip

E.g. Perhaps he had been very active on his trip, such as taking part in adventures, all of which had tired him out.

Perhaps he had struggled to sleep in a sleeping bag and tent, missing his bed at home.

He might have stayed up all night with his friends.

Question Three (2 Marks)

1 mark for a simple response

E.g. Yes as it was Max's 'beloved' instrument so might play it a lot.

No as it says Ralph heard an 'untuned' noise.

2 marks for a more in-depth response with reference to the text

E.g. Yes, I think he might be good as the guitar is Max's 'beloved' instrument so he gives it a lot of attention. At first it sounds untuned, but he might just be getting warmed up at this point, as later the author mentions the tune dancing towards Ralph, so a tune suggests he can play a melody.

No, I get the impression that Max isn't very good at playing the guitar as the author mentions Ralph listening to a 'high pitch' sound and an 'untuned' noise, suggesting he isn't able to hold a good sound.

Maybe. It is hard to determine whether Max is good or not at this point, as on the one hand, his guitar sounds untuned and high pitched, but on the other hand, later there is a tune. Ralph might be struggling to hear anything pleasant as he is so keen to sleep that any noise, even if it was good, would trouble him.



Question Four (1 Mark)

1 mark for circling the following thought bubble

'I'm ecstatic!'

Question Five (2 Marks)

1 mark for an appropriate impression. 1 mark for supporting evidence.

Impression - Friendly

Evidence - 'Please, call me Alex.'

Impression - Happy/ Welcoming

Evidence - 'Greetings, fair traveller!'

Impression - Helpful

Evidence - 'I'm here to take you on a journey, and... maybe help that brain of yours to switch off and sleep!'

Question Six (2 Marks)

1 mark for each appropriate suggestion

E.g. Ralph would have felt confused to see Alexander Bell, as if it was the 'famous' Alexander Bell, he had been a Victorian inventor and had died.

At this point, both Ralph and Alex were tiny, smaller than an ant, so nothing was as it seemed.

Question Seven (1 Mark)

1 mark for identifying the following point

Ralph became inquisitive and asked lots of questions.

Question Eight (2 Marks)

1 mark for a simple response with no reference to the text

E.g. Yes as you would not be able to meet a dead person and the situation was surreal.

2 marks for a detailed explanation, taking into consideration what has been read

E.g. Yes- I think Ralph would have woken up and felt it had all been a dream. He had been really tired the day before and had probably fallen into a dream without realising. It was likely to have been a dream as he couldn't really go into his ear with an inventor who had died many years before. He couldn't really be the size of an ant.

No- I think Ralph would have woken up and believed his adventure truly had happened. He wouldn't have known all the scientific names of his ear otherwise, without the help of Alexander Bell. He also wouldn't have used Mr Bell's suggestion of ear plugs without being told.

