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## ENGLISH REINFORCEMENT WORKSHEET (1) – YEAR 3

### SECTION A: Unseen Comprehension

Raisins are grapes that have been eaten for thousands of years. Nearly 3,500 years ago, the first raisins were discovered as grapes that were drying in the sun on a vine. In medieval Europe, raisins were used as sweeteners, medicine, and even as a form of money!

In America, raisins were first grown after an 1873 heat wave in California destroyed its valuable grape crop, leaving only dried, wrinkly, but tasty grapes on the vines. Soon, farmers began developing seedless grapes in California that were thin-skinned and sweet. These grapes would be purposely dried in the sun and became the popular dark raisin we eat and enjoy today. Later, a golden variety of raisin was made by treating grapes with a chemical called sulphur dioxide and using special methods to dry them.

Today, central California remains the centre of the world's raisin industry, producing nearly 95 percent of the world's raisins. Its green valleys, sunny climate, and hot temperatures provide the perfect conditions for grapes that are dried into raisins.

**Use the information in the passage to answer the questions below:**

- i. Which of the following were raisins NOT used as? \_\_\_\_\_.  
a) sweetener                      b) medicine                      c) money                      d) weapons
- ii. Raisins....  
a) were discovered recently.                      b) were discovered a long time ago  
b) are made by dropping grapes in water.                      d) have never been grown in America.
- iii. What would be the best title for this passage?  
a) A History of Raisins.                      b) The Many Different Kinds of Raisins  
c) The Discovery of the Golden Raisin                      d) Healthy Snacks
- iv. What question is answered in the INTRODUCTORY paragraph?

- a) What kinds of raisins do people eat?      b) How are golden raisins made?  
 c) What happened in 1873?      d) What were raisins once used as?
- v. What is NOT true about raisins?  
 a) They are dried in the sun.      b) They are grown in California.  
 c) There are dark and golden versions of raisins.  
 d) They are made from grapes with seeds.
- vi. Golden raisins were discovered \_\_\_\_\_.  
 a) Before dark raisins.      b) at the same time as dark raisins.  
 c) after dark raisins.      d) The passage doesn't say.
- vii. Which of the following has the same meaning as the word "variety" in the sentence below?  
 "Later, a golden variety of raisin was made by treating grapes with a chemical called sulphur dioxide and using special methods to dry them."  
 a) Fruit      b) type of      c) opposite of      d) sale
- viii. Which questions is NOT answered in the passage?  
 a) When did farmers start growing raisins in America.  
 b) Why are grapes healthy for you?  
 c) How are golden raisins produced?  
 d) Why did American farmers start producing raisins?
- ix. According to the passage when and where the first raisins were discovered?  
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- x. When and why the raisins were grown in America?  
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- xi. How were the golden raisins made?  
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**SECTION B: Creative Writing.**



1. Complete the table by filling in the correct degree of adjectives.

Adjectives	Comparative	Superlative
fat		
	Healthier	
		Cleanest
Long		
		Simplest
	Greater	
Noisy		
		Craziest
	warmer	

2. Fill in the correct degree of adjectives.

- a) Math paper was easy, social studies was \_\_\_\_\_ but Islamiyat was the \_\_\_\_\_.
- b) Ahmed was friendly, Ali was \_\_\_\_\_ but Ahsen was the \_\_\_\_\_.
- c) My toy car was \_\_\_\_\_, the bat was \_\_\_\_\_ but the ball was the \_\_\_\_\_ small.

3. Write the opposite of the words in bracket by adding a prefix.

- a) Sarim was \_\_\_\_\_ to complete his work on time. (able).
- b) A \_\_\_\_\_ boy was \_\_\_\_\_ to his parents. (obedient, respectful)
- c) It is \_\_\_\_\_ to ask an \_\_\_\_\_ person to do a job. (skilled, wise)
- d) It was \_\_\_\_\_ to sit on the broken chair. (comfortable)
- e) Everyone \_\_\_\_\_ with the \_\_\_\_\_ proposal. (agreed, reasonable)

**SECTION D: Literature.**

Dorothy, the Scarecrow and Toto came to a great forest. It was dark there, but they kept on walking. Then they came to a little house, built of wood. No one was there, and the door was not locked. Dorothy went in. She saw a bed of dried leaves in one corner.

It was almost night-time. Dorothy felt hungry, but she was too tired to eat. She lay down on the leaves with Toto beside her. Soon she fell into a deep sleep. The Scarecrow, who was never tired and never hungry, stood in another corner. He waited quietly until morning came.

Suddenly she heard a deep groan. 'What was that?' she asked. 'I don't know,' replied the Scarecrow. 'Let's go and see.'

They heard another groan. Dorothy ran forward and then stopped with a cry of surprise. Standing beside a tree, with an axe in his hands, was a man made of tin. He did not move. It looked as if he could not move at all.

Read the passage and answer the following questions.

Q.1. What strange thing happened in the forest?

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Q.2. Why do you think Dorothy felt the bed of leaves very comfortable?

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Q.3. Underline the direct speech in the passage with blue colour.

Q.4. Fill in the blanks.

- a) The dark hole in the ground was a \_\_\_\_\_ for the storms.
- b) Aunt Em grew \_\_\_\_\_ in the garden.
- c) The \_\_\_\_\_ lifted the little house.
- d) Standing at the door were \_\_\_\_\_ people.
- e) The lion turned and \_\_\_\_\_ at Kalidhas.