

Floods



Britain has been having more floods than ever before. This is because there has been so much rain. In January 2014, there was more rain than there had ever been in one month before. Rivers were not able to take it all in. The waters rose and rivers burst their banks, flooding the land around.

15. What does *burst their banks* mean?

Tick **one**.

- Water levels went down. ☐
- Water levels stayed the same. ☐
- Water went over the top. ☐
- Water stopped moving. ☐

Marks

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Questions 1–14 are about *Wild Weather* on pages 3–5 in the Reading Booklet.

1. Why are we lucky in this country? (page 3)

Tick **one**.

Our weather is wild. ☐

Our weather is quite good. ☐

It snows in January. ☐

We get some bad weather. ☐

2. Why wouldn't there be icebergs near the North Pole if it was warm? (page 3)

Tick **one**.

They would sink. ☐

They would melt. ☐

They would float to the South Pole. ☐

They would freeze together. ☐

3. Why are the Alps covered in snow for most of the winter? (page 3)

4. Where is the sunniest place in the world? (page 3)

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Mark scheme for Test B: Paper 1

Q	Answers	Marks
	Practice question: a sheepdog	
1	Award 1 mark for Just before teatime Do not accept: before teatime or teatime.	1
2	Award 1 mark for: Mum	1
3	Award 1 mark for he might not get them all in safely, or similar.	1
4	Award 1 mark for: clouds gathering	1
5	Award 1 mark for he was worried about where Bess was, or similar.	1
6	Award 1 mark for (The wind could) blow down the old elm (onto the power lines).	1
7	Award 1 mark for all numbers correct. Sam can't see Bess. 2 Dad's voice is lost in the wind. 4 Dad is worried about the wind. 1 The sheep are safe inside. 3	1
8	Award 1 mark for He looked half frozen, He was very cold, or similar.	1
9	Award 1 mark for both lines drawn correctly to: ● She is useless. ● Being shut out will teach her a lesson.	1
10	Award 1 mark for: There is a storm outside but it is warm inside, or similar.	1
11	Award 1 mark for each of the following, up to a maximum of 2 marks : ● Bess will need a good hot bath when she gets in. ● Will Bess be blown away? ● I hope Bess doesn't have to dig her way home.	2
12	Award 1 mark for: The snow was blinding.	1
13	Award 1 mark for any plausible explanation for Bess's return; for example: ● She could use her sense of smell to find her way back. ● The weather might improve. ● The story doesn't say she is hurt. ● It would give the story a happy ending. ● Sam is going to wait up until she comes home. ● Bess loves Sam.	1
14	Award 1 mark for: The Lost Dog	1
15	Award 1 mark for: Water went over the top.	1
16	Award 1 mark for all three lines drawn correctly to: ● It causes a lot of damage. ● It destroys homes. ● It makes people find other places to work.	1