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Grade 4: English Home Language

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Marks: 40

Time: 15 minutes reading

1 ½ hours writing

Name and Surname: _____

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This question paper consists of 8 pages.

INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION:

1. This question paper consists of the following:
 - QUESTION 1: COMPREHENSION
 - QUESTION 2: VISUAL TEXT
 - QUESTION 3: SUMMARY
 - QUESTION 4: LANGUAGE
2. Read all the questions carefully before you start writing.
3. Answer all questions on the question paper.
4. Answer in full sentences, unless stated otherwise.
5. Answer according to the mark allocation per question.
6. Write neatly and clearly.

Question	Maximum Mark	Mark Obtained
1. Comprehension	15	
2. Visual Text	10	
3. Summary	5	
4. Language Structures and Conventions	10	
Total Mark: 40		

QUESTION 1 – COMPREHENSION (15 MARKS)

Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow.

The Great Chocolate Chip Cookie Mystery

Every Sunday, Emma and Jake visited their grandma's cozy kitchen, where the sweet smell of cookies filled the air. One Sunday, Grandma announced, "Today, we're making my secret chocolate chip cookies! But first, you must solve a mystery."

Excited, the children listened as she pointed to an empty flour jar. "I had flour this morning, but now it's gone! Without it, we can't bake cookies."

Emma and Jake began searching the kitchen and spotted tiny white footprints on the floor. "Look! Someone walked through the flour!" Emma exclaimed.

The trail led them to the back door, where Whiskers, Grandma's cat, was licking his paws. A small pile of flour sat in his food bowl.

"Whiskers knocked over the flour and tried to hide it!" Jake laughed.

Grandma chuckled. "Mystery solved! Let's get more flour and bake."

Soon, the kitchen was filled with the delicious scent of fresh chocolate chip cookies. Grandma poured glasses of milk, and they all sat down to enjoy their treats.

"This was the best mystery ever!" said Emma, biting into a cookie. Jake nodded.

"And the best cookies, too!"

Grandma smiled warmly. "The best cookies are Made with love—and a little bit of adventure!"

Source: OpenAI. ChatGPT (April version). 2025

Word count: 200 words



1.1 What do Emma and Jake love doing with their grandma?

(1)

1.2 How did the children know that someone had walked through the flour?

(1)

1.3 Who was responsible for the missing flour?

(1)

1.4 How did Whiskers play a part in the story?

(1)

1.5 Do you think Grandma was right to make the missing flour into a mystery?

Why or why not?

_____ (1)

1.6 Why do you think Grandma smiled at the end of the story?

_____ (1)

1.7 Why did Whiskers take the flour to his food bowl?

_____ (1)

1.8 How do you think Emma and Jake felt when they solved the mystery?

_____ (1)

1.9 Do you think baking together helped Emma and Jake bond with their grandma? Why?

_____ (1)

1.10 What would you do if you found a mystery like this in your own home?

_____ (1)

1.11 How do you think Whiskers felt when Emma and Jake discovered his secret?

_____ (1)

1.12 Where did the children find the missing flour?

_____ (1)

1.13 What clues helped the children solve the mystery?

_____ (1)

1.14 Why do you think Grandma turned the missing flour into a mystery instead of just telling the children?

_____ (1)

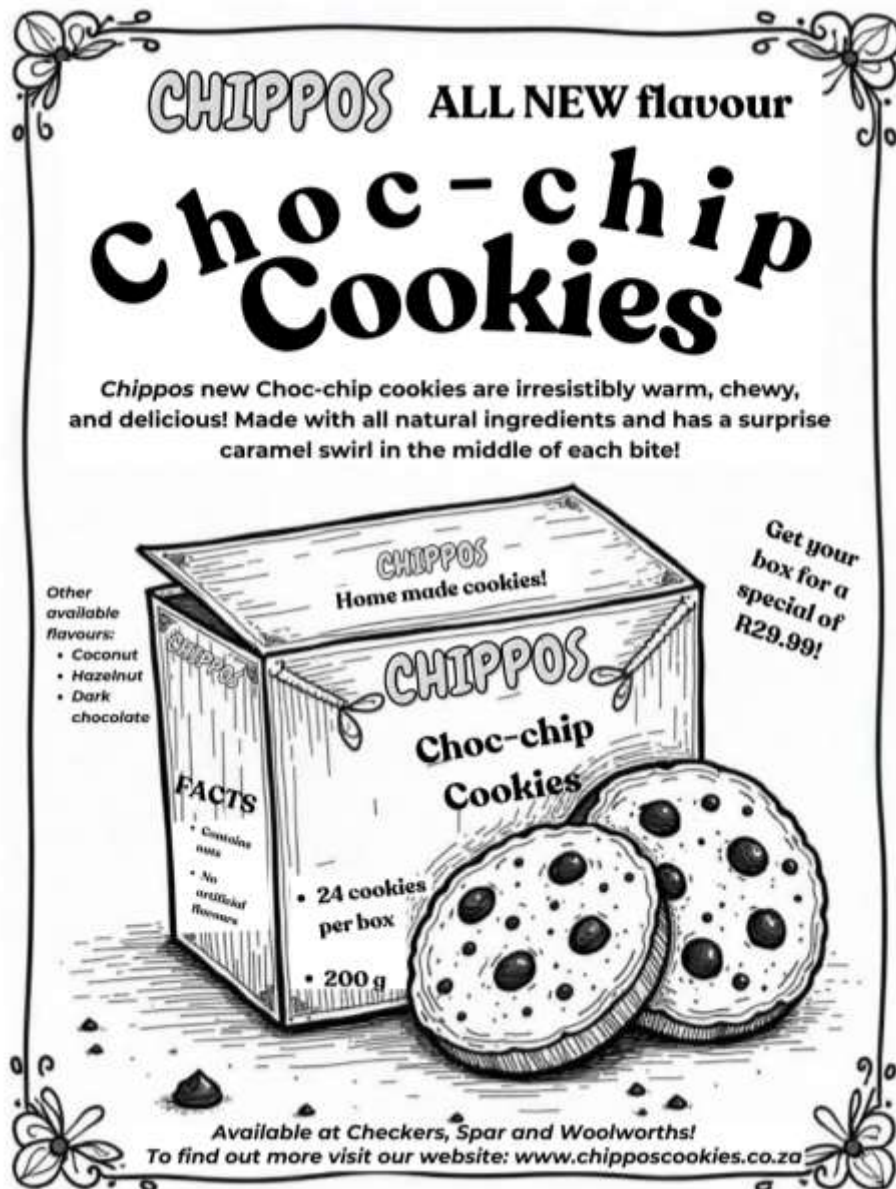
1.15 What does Grandma's twinkle in her eye tell us about her personality?

_____ (1)

QUESTION 1 - TOTAL: _____ / 15

QUESTION 2 – VISUAL TEXT (10 MARKS)

Read the advert below and carefully answer the questions that follow.



2.1. What is the new flavour of Chippos cookies?

_____ (1)

2.2 How many cookies are in one box?

_____ (1)

2.3. What is the price of the cookie box on special?

_____ (1)

2.4. Name two other available flavours besides choc-chip.

_____ (1)

2.5. Why do you think the advert has pictures of cookies on the box?

_____ (1)

2.6. Why do you think they include that the cookies are 'homemade'?

_____ (1)

2.7. Look at the word "delicious" in the sentence:

"Chippos new Choc-chip cookies are irresistibly warm, chewy, and delicious!"

What could you replace "delicious" with to keep the meaning of this sentence?

_____ (1)

2.8. How does the advert catch the attention of the reader?

_____ (1)

2.9. Do you think this advertisement makes people want to buy the cookies? Give a reason for your answer.

_____ (1)

2.10 Imagine you are designing a new flavour for *Chippos* cookies.

What flavour would you choose and how would you describe it to make it sound exciting in an advert?

_____ (1)

QUESTION 2 - TOTAL: _____ / 10

QUESTION 3 – SUMMARY (5 MARKS)

Read the text below:

- Summarise four main benefits of chocolate in 30 – 40 words.
- Write in full sentences, using your own words.

The Benefits of Chocolate

Chocolate is a tasty treat that many people enjoy. You can find it in chocolate bars, hot chocolate, and even cakes. But did you know that chocolate, especially dark chocolate, can be good for you if you don't eat too much? Dark chocolate has special things in it that help keep your heart healthy and your blood moving well. It can also give you energy and help you feel happy.

Chocolate is made from cocoa beans. These beans grow on trees in hot places. Cocoa beans have healthy parts that can help your body stay strong. Some chocolates also have milk, which gives your body calcium. Calcium helps your teeth and bones grow strong.

Even though chocolate can be good for you, it also has sugar and fat. If you eat too much, it can hurt your teeth or make you feel unwell.

The best kind of chocolate is dark chocolate with less sugar. It has more healthy parts and still tastes good. So next time you eat chocolate, enjoy it—but remember to eat just a little. Eating smart helps keep your body healthy!

Word count: 230

Source: OpenAI. *ChatGPT (May version)*. 2025

QUESTION 3 - TOTAL: _____ / 5

QUESTION 4 – LANGUAGE STRUCTURES AND CONVENTIONS (10 MARKS)

Read the following passage and answer the questions that follow.

The **Tasty Treats Café** is the coolest food shop in town! It has a delicious menu filled with burgers, pizzas, and fresh fruit juices. Every afternoon, a **crowd** of hungry customers gathers outside, waiting to order their favourite snacks.

One day, Sipho walked in and smiled at the friendly owner. "**Good afternoon, Mr. Jacobs! Do you have any of your famous vetkoek today?**" he asked.

Mr. Jacobs chuckled. "**Of course, Sipho! Would you like it with mince or jam?**"

Sipho thought for a moment and then grinned. "**Mince, please! It's the best!**"

The café was not only a great place for food **but also** for laughter and stories. Everyone loved coming back for more!

Source: OpenAI. ChatGPT (April version). 2025

4.1 Rewrite the following sentence using the correct PUNCTUATION.

Show the correct punctuation marks clearly.

did sipho enjoy the vetkoek from the café

_____ (1)

4.2 The word *vetkoek* is an Afrikaans word that we use in English. What is this TYPE OF WORD called?

Underline the correct answer. Use a ruler.

(a) stolen word (b) borrowed word (c) simple word (d) incorrect word (1)

4.3 Write down one example of a COLLECTIVE NOUN from the passage above.

_____ (1)

4.4 Write down an ADJECTIVE used to describe Mr. Jacobs. _____ (1)

4.5 Write down an example of DIRECT SPEECH from the passage.

_____ (1)

4.6 Find an example of ALLITERATION in the first paragraph. _____ (1)

4.7 Underline the VERB in the sentence below. Use a ruler.

Sipho walked into the café with his friends. (1)

4.8 Which IDIOM do you think suits this story the best? Circle the correct answer. (1)

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| a) Bite off more than you can chew. | c) Have a lot on your plate. |
| b) The best thing since sliced bread. | d) The icing on the cake. |

4.9 Find a word in the passage that RHYMES with *loud*. _____ (1)

4.10 Change the word in brackets to the correct DEGREE OF COMPARISON.

Mr. Jacobs' vetkoek is (tasty) _____ than any other in town. (1)

QUESTION 4 - TOTAL: _____ / 10