

NW Year 5 English Resources

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Friday - Comprehension ANSWERS

TEACHER ANSWERS

AIM OF THE NEWS COMPREHENSIONS: News reports are unique non-fiction texts. Being real, they naturally engage students, and with the range of topics that are covered, help to develop pupils' knowledge and understanding of the wider world outside the classroom. The reports are ideal for short, focused comprehension or discussion activities. Along with the opportunity to find fascinating facts and appreciate the opinions of those involved, there is plenty to be inferred and deduced to understand in more depth what is being reported. Like authors, journalists play with language, so news 'stories' are rich nuggets of text to investigate and provide the opportunity for literacy programmes.

TEACHER ANSWER GUIDE: The teacher answers are intended to provide a quick reference guide. Suggestions are given for the 'Expected response' or starting point that pupils could give. The 'Development' then gives more in-depth ideas that students can work towards as they develop their reading comprehension skills.

For a list of the reading skills used, please email schools@firstnews.co.uk.

1. Complete this fact file on the sport star featured in this interview.

READING SKILL – Find and explain information

(NC 2a)

Expected response

NAME	Alfie Hewett
AGE	22
SPORT	Wheelchair tennis
COMPETITIONS WON	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Two Paralympic silver medals• Two US Open singles titles• Three US Open doubles titles• Three Wimbledon doubles titles• French Open men's singles

2. Where in the news article do you find the precise information about the titles Alfie has won?

READING SKILL – Identify benefits of text organisation and terminology

(NC 2f)

Expected response

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3. Explain the medical condition that Alfie suffered from when he was seven years old.

READING SKILL – Summarise information from more than one paragraph

(NC 2e)

Expected response

• He found out he had a condition called Perthes' disease, which caused problems with his hip.

Development

• The problems caused by Perthes' disease affected Alfie's mobility and meant that he had to use a wheelchair.

4a. What did Alfie’s family do to get him involved in sport?

READING SKILL – Find and explain information

(NC 2a)

Expected response

- They encouraged Alfie to become involved in sport even though he was in a wheelchair, and took him to a hospital called Stoke Mandeville where he could try out different kinds of para-sports.

Development

- His family provided him with every opportunity to try out sports for people in wheelchairs and find one that he enjoyed.

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4b. What benefits does he say sport brings?

READING SKILL – Find and explain information

(NC 2a)

Expected response

- Helped with his self-esteem.
- Helped him to mix and socialise with other children.
- Helped him be happy.
- Helped him be active again.

5. Alfie says: “It doesn’t get much better than Wimbledon.” What are the reasons for this being a highlight of his life so far?

READING SKILL – Infer information and justify with evidence

(NC 2c & 8)

Expected response

- It was an amazing place to go. The support he had there blew his mind and he loved the atmosphere.

Development

- Alfie loved Wimbledon because there was such a huge amount of support from the crowd. The clapping and cheering created an amazing atmosphere on the court during the final. This really encouraged Alfie and made it an amazing occasion to be a competitor in.
- As the competition is in the UK, Alfie was playing in front of a huge home crowd who were all cheering for him. Imagine the noise from the crowd during the final, that must have been a unique and inspirational experience.

6. He says in the interview that he lives in Norfolk “out in the sticks”. What do you think this phrase means?

READING SKILL – Infer information and justify with evidence

(NC 2c & 8)

Expected response

- He says “it’s a peaceful and quiet area” where he lives. This phrase means a quiet and non-busy place.

Development

- He lives in a rural area, so in the countryside, not a town or city.

7. Why is Alfie in his mum’s bad books?

READING SKILL – Find and explain information

(NC 2a)

Expected response

- He’s turned his mum’s conservatory into a home gym because he can’t go to a gym.

8. Why is he **watching** tennis matches at the moment?

READING SKILL – Infer information and justify with evidence

(NC 2c & 8)

Expected response

- Alfie can’t play tennis at the moment because of COVID-19, lockdown and not being able to leave the house to play in tennis matches.

Development

- As he can’t play in tennis matches at the moment, he is watching tennis matches to see how other tennis players play, and to analyse matches to see if he can learn techniques from other players.

9a. Look at the headline for this interview. What technique does the journalist use to write this headline?

READING SKILL – Understanding journalistic writing techniques and the terms (words) used to describe them

Recognising effect of language choices

(NC 2f & 3)

They use alliteration (where each word starts with the same sound).

They use a pun (play on words).

They use a quote from the interview.

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9b. How is an interview different to a news report?

Write down all the differences you can think of.

READING SKILL – Understanding journalistic writing techniques and the terms (words) used to describe them

Expected response

- The structure is questions followed by the answers.
- It is written in first person with the direct words from the person being interviewed used in the responses to the questions.
- The journalist talks directly to the interviewee to get the information for the story.