

**THE NORTH LONDON INDEPENDENT GIRLS'  
SCHOOLS' CONSORTIUM**

**YEAR 7  
ENTRANCE EXAMINATION**

**SAMPLE PAPER**

**Time allowed: 1 hour 20 minutes**

# INSTRUCTIONS

PLEASE ANSWER BOTH PARTS OF THE PAPER

## **Part A: Reading (40 minutes)**

- Spend 10 minutes reading the passage on the insert and the questions in this booklet.
- You may mark the passage by underlining words and phrases.
- Do not write anything in your booklet during this time.
- You will be told when the 10 minutes are over.

**Spend 30 minutes writing your answers  
in this answer booklet.**

You will be told when 40 minutes are up, but you may start Part B when you are ready.

## **Part B: Writing (40 minutes)**

- Spend 40 minutes writing in the space provided.
- If you have time, you may go back to Part A.

**YOU MAY WRITE IN  
EITHER INK OR PENCIL**

You will be told when you have 5 minutes left.

**PLEASE TURN THE PAGE  
TO READ THE QUESTIONS**

## **PART A: READING (40 minutes)**

**After you have spent about 10 minutes reading the passage, spend about 30 minutes answering the questions.**

**The mark at the end of each question is an indication of how much you should write for each answer.**

1. Using lines 1-6, write down three facts about Mr Frensham's shop.

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**3 Marks**

2. Choose three details from lines 7-11 which you find interesting about Mr Frensham and for each briefly explain why.

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**6 Marks**

3. Look at lines 27-35. Do you think the boy enjoyed having his hair cut? Write down three pieces of evidence to support your view.

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**4 Marks**

4. 'Very handsome' (line 45) has two possible meanings here. What are they?

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**2 Marks**

**Please turn over the page**

5. 'The boy wanted the cap very much' (lines 52-53). Write down five other pieces of evidence that he values the cap.

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6. 'The boy gets on very well with his father.' Using details from the passage, explain in your own words how you know this.

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**5 Marks**

7. What do you understand by the metaphor, ‘The child saw his face, a moon in the mirror’? (line 46)

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**2 Marks**

8. Why does the father look at his son ‘without smiling’? (line 82)

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**2 Marks**

9. The story does not seem to be set in the modern day. Find three details which suggest it takes place some time in the past and describe what might be different today.

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**6 Marks**

**Total for Reading Section: 35 marks**

## **PART B: WRITING (40 minutes)**

**There are two tasks in this section. You must attempt both of them. Spend 20 minutes on each. The quality of your writing is more important than the length. Do not write more than a  $\frac{3}{4}$  to 1 side on each task.**

1. Do you think the father would have reacted in the same way to his daughter if she had come home with a new dress?

**Imagine the scene as if it is a girl who has been out shopping. Retell the end of this passage from line 71.**

2. Do you think eleven year old boys and girls should be treated in the same way by their schools and families?

**Give your personal opinion with examples from your own experience. Remember to use paragraphs and to write accurately.**

**Content  
and Style**

**40 Marks**

**Technical  
Accuracy**

**10 Marks**

**Total for Writing Section: 50 marks**