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Listening Test

Name: ..... Class: .....

1 Listen and complete.

Mark: ...../4

1 Troll is a Viking word.
2 Vikings made beautiful _____ and _____ .
3 Thor was a _____ .
4 Troll kings had long _____ .
5 Kraken looked like a big _____ or _____ .

2 Listen again and tick the correct sentences.

Mark: ...../6

1 The Vikings loved their family and their ships. ☐
2 They told stories of gods and magical creatures. ☐
3 Trolls were all very bad and very intelligent. ☐
4 Some trolls lived in mountains. ☐
5 Draug was the biggest troll and he lived in the sea. ☐
6 The Kraken was a very big sea creature. ☐

3 Read and answer. Use the words in brackets.

Mark: ...../3

1 Daniel, have you visited the British Museum yet ? (you, visit, yet)
No, I haven't but I have already been to the Tate. (be, already)
2 Neil, _____ your bedroom _____ ? (tidy, yet)
Yes, I _____ it. (already, tidy)
3 _____ the cat ? (you, feed, yet)
Yes, Mum, I'_____ Kitty her food. (just, give)
4 _____ to Paris _____ ? (your mother, be, yet)
No, she _____ but she'_____ to London. (already, be)

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Reading and Writing Test

Name: ..... Class: .....

4 Read the article. Write *True* or *False*.

Mark: ...../7

Some years ago, a TV programme made people believe mermaids were real. Many people who watched an *Animal Planet* episode called "Mermaids: The Body Found" believed it but the show was really a joke.

But where does this myth of mermaids come from? In modern myth mermaids are beautiful and kind to humans and they live in the deep waters of the ocean. Not all stories go this way and in most cases the oldest stories of mermaid mythology are quite different.

The earliest mermaid legends come from Syria around 1000 B.C.E., where the Syrian goddess Atargatis dove into a lake and took the form of a fish, but she was so beautiful that only her bottom half became a fish and she kept her top half in human form.

Many popular tales, including legends from the British Isles and the famous *Arabian Nights* tales, said mermaids sang to sailors, hypnotising them so the sailors went into the sea and died or were eaten by sea monsters. These were terrible stories.

Today, stories and tales describe mermaids as innocent and sweet and as helping people, thanks to the most famous tale in all of mermaid mythology – Hans Christian Andersen's *The Little Mermaid* and the Disney film adaptation of it.

1 *Animal Planet* showed a mermaid in one programme. False

2 Many people believed mermaids existed. _____

3 The idea we have of mermaids has changed a lot over time. _____

4 The first mermaid stories appeared 1,000 years ago. _____

5 The first mermaid story was about a beautiful Syrian goddess. _____

6 Mermaid stories only come from Arabia. _____

7 Some tales say that mermaids killed sea monsters to help sailors. _____

8 *The Little Mermaid* gives a different version of mermaids. _____

Total unit mark: ...../20

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