

Martha's lazy day



Name: _____

Date: _____

1. Ring the pair of words nearest in meaning to the word 'smug'.
self satisfied very happy cheerfully warm
2. Ring the word nearest in meaning to 'lapping'.
moving slapping turning
3. Which of the following is nearest in meaning to 'maraca'?
beating noise percussion instrument flying insect

Write a full sentence to answer each of the following questions.

4. How many different types of tree are mentioned in the text and what are they?

5. Explain what is meant, in the final sentence of the text, by the words 'or at least she had enjoyed most of it'?

6. Explain why Martha smothered herself in sun cream.

Notes for teachers

The first questions that invite pupils to ring the correct answers are designed to ensure they understand particular vocabulary within the text; they may need to use a dictionary to help with this task. The questions that demand written answers are to check they have understood certain phrases in the text.