First Quarter

Reading

2nd Grade Assessment

Student Test Booklet

Student Name_______________________________Date________

October
1. Which of the following words has a long vowel sound?
   - A. cat
   - B. jet
   - C. rate

2. Which of the following words has a long vowel sound?
   - A. bean
   - B. jet
   - C. best

3. Which of the following words has a long vowel sound?
   - A. feel
   - B. fell
   - C. pet
4. Which pair of words have the same sounding vowel teams?

○ A. loud, cow
○ B. bean, book
○ C. pain, road

5. Which pair of words have the same sounding vowel teams?

○ A. read, look
○ B. boy, boil
○ C. jeep, foot

6. Fill in the circle beside the correct plural form for the following word: foot

○ A. foots
○ B. feet
○ C. feets
7. Fill in the circle beside the correct plural form for the following word: child
   ○ A. children
   ○ B. childs
   ○ C. kid

8. Fill in the circle beside the correct plural form for the following word: mouse
   ○ A. mouses
   ○ B. mices
   ○ C. mice

9. Fill in the circle beside the correct plural form for the following word: tooth
   ○ A. teeth
   ○ B. teeths
   ○ C. tooths
Choose the word that would correctly fit in each sentence below.

10. Yesterday our class _________________ down on the carpet.
    - A. sit
    - B. seat
    - C. sat

11. Last night we __________________________ inside the cave.
    - A. hide
    - B. hid
    - C. had

12. Mike _____________________________ me a funny joke.
    - A. tell
    - B. told
    - C. says
The Stars and Stripes

Did you know that our flag has a nickname? It is “the Stars and Stripes.” The flag has that name because it has white stars and red-and-white stripes on it. The very first flag of America had 13 stars and 13 stripes on it. The stars and stripes stood for the first 13 states. Today, our country has 50 states. Our flag has one star for every one of those 50 states.

Our flag stands for us, the people. It stands for where we live in our 50 states. The flag stands for our towns, too. This is why “the Stars and Stripes” waves over places like the post office and the firehouse.

On the Fourth of July, you see lots of flags. People march with “the Stars and Stripes.” People wave flags from their houses. On the Fourth of July, we think about what “the Stars and Stripes” stands for. It stands for us!

A band marching in a Fourth of July parade.
13. What is the flag's nickname?
   - A. The Stars and Stripes
   - B. 50 states
   - C. the red, white, and blue

14. When do people think about what our flag stands for?
   - A. Christmas
   - B. Thanksgiving
   - C. Fourth of July

15. What does the flag have on it?
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16. How many stars does the flag have and why?

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17. How many stripes does our flag have?

[ ] A. 13
[ ] B. 15
[ ] C. 50

18. What does the word **stood** mean in the sentence below?

"The stars and stripes stood for the first 13 states."

[ ] A. represented
[ ] B. not sitting
[ ] C. learned
19. What does the word **waves** mean in the sentence below?

"This is why the Stars and Stripes waves over places like the post office and firehouse."

- A. saying hello
- B. water
- C. hangs

20. If you wanted to learn more about our flag, which page from the table of contents would you look on?

- The 50 States ...............23
- Fourth of July ...............30
- The Flag ......................45

- A. 45
- B. 30
- C. 23

21. Look back at the picture in the selection you read "The Stars and Stripes." What are the people in the picture doing and why?
22. Write a sentence telling about something you learned from reading, "The Stars and Stripes."
Read the following story and answer the questions that follow.

**IN THE PARK**

It was a hot, sunny day. Lucy’s dad packed their basket. Lucy and her dad began walking to the neighborhood park. They stopped on the way to get Lucy’s friend, Jake.

At the park, Lucy picked a spot under a tree. “Let’s eat here,” she said. Dad pulled sandwiches and fruit out of the basket. Everyone enjoyed the picnic. After lunch, Lucy and Jake fed the birds. Then Dad tossed a ball to Lucy and Jake. Everyone smiled and laughed.

“Can we swing now?” asked Jake.

“Let’s pick up our trash first,” said Lucy’s dad. “The only thing we should leave in the park is our footprints.”

“I know,” said Lucy. “The only thing we should take with us is pictures. Would you take our picture, Dad?”

It was a great picture!
23. Who went to the part with Lucy?

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24. What did Lucy and Jake feed after lunch?

- A. birds
- B. fish
- C. ducks

25. Where did the story take place?

- A. the beach
- B. at school
- C. at the park

26. When did they go to the park?

- A. summer
- B. winter
- C. fall
27. What did they pick up after lunch and why?

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28. How did Dad, Lucy, and Jake get to the park?

  ○ A. a bike
  ○ B. they walked
  ○ C. a car

29. How do Dad, Lucy and Jake feel about their day at the park, and how do you know?

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30. Look back at the picture in the story, "In the Park." What event from the story does the illustration show?

- A. having a picnic
- B. swinging
- C. feeding the ducks

31. Write a sentence telling about something you could do in the park.

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Read the poem "Fish's Wish" and complete the activity that follows.

Fish's Wish

The fish would gaze into the sky
And wish that he could fly.
The fish would stare off at the beach
And say, "One day I'll try . . ."

32. Choose two words in this poem that rhyme.

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Second Grade Short-Cycle Assessment - October - Answer Key

1. C
2. A
3. A
4. A
5. B
6. B
7. A
8. C
9. A
10. C
11. B
12. B
13. A
14. C
15. Short-Answer (2 points)
   Answers may vary: Example: Stars and Stripes
16. Short-Answer (2 points)
    50, for the 50 states
17. A
18. A
19. C
20. A
21. Short-Answer (2 points)
    Marching in a parade, because it is the Fourth of July (answers may vary)
22. Short-Answer (2 points)
    Answers may vary
23. Short-Answer (2 points)
   Jake, Lucy's dad

24. A

25. C

26. A

27. Short-Answer (2 points)
   Trash, to clean up the park (answers may vary)

28. B

29. Short-Answer (2 points)
   happy, they laughed and smiled

30. B

31. Short-Answer (2 points)
   answers may vary

32. Short-Answer (2 points)
   answers may vary