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Izzy's Talent

It was the week of the summer talent show. Posters had been put up and a special stage had been built in the hall. The air buzzed with excitement, but Izzy was worried. Everyone in her class had an act for the show. Everyone but Izzy.

Practice questions

(a) When was the talent show taking place?

Tick **one**.

winter	☐	autumn	☐
spring	☐	summer	☐

(b) What had been built in the hall?

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At lunchtime, Milo showed off his dance for the talent show. He whirled round and round, his feet hardly touching the ground.

"Why don't you try, Izzy?" he asked. "You could dance with me."

Izzy tried to copy him, but she kept forgetting the moves.

"Never mind," said Milo. "Maybe you just need to change your shoes."

1 When did Milo show Izzy his dance?

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2 *He whirled round and round...*

Which word means the same as *whirled*?

Tick **one**.

hopped	☐
spun	☐
wobbled	☐
ran	☐

In the hall, Sita was practising her juggling for the talent show. The balls flew through the air and landed in Sita's hands.

"That was brilliant," said Izzy.

"Can you teach me?"

But no matter how hard Izzy tried, the balls kept tumbling to the floor.

"Keep trying," said Sita. "You just need more time."

3 Where was Sita practising her act?

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4 What did Sita tell Izzy to do?

Tick **one**.

Teach Milo to juggle.	☐
Buy some new balls.	☐
Carry on practising.	☐
Throw the balls higher.	☐

When Izzy got home, she told her brother, Ben, all about it.

"Everyone has an act for the talent show. But I can’t dance or juggle," she sighed.

"I'll be the only one without something to do."

Ben thought for a moment. Then he grinned. "I have an idea."

5 Ben was Izzy's...

Tick **one**.

teacher.	☐	brother.	☐
dad.	☐	friend.	☐

6 What made Ben smile?

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The next evening, Ben took Izzy to the fair. Izzy watched dancers and jugglers but she saw lots of other acts, too.

"I didn’t know that people could be good at so many different things!" said Izzy.

"Which act was your favourite?" asked Ben.

Izzy grinned. "You'll find out at the show."

7 When did Izzy visit the fair?

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8 What acts did Izzy see at the fair?

Write **two** acts.

1. _____

2. _____

At the show, Izzy was nervous. From the stage, she spotted Ben, who waved. Taking a deep breath, Izzy told the audience her first joke. Everyone chuckled, with Ben laughing the loudest.

Feeling more confident, Izzy told another joke and another. The audience laughed louder each time.

When she had finished, Ben came to meet her.

"So that was your favourite!" he said.

9 What did Ben do when Izzy spotted him?

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10 What was Izzy's talent?

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