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MARK SCHEME – Copper Band 12 – There was an Old Lady Who Swallowed a Fly

Whole Text: This text is a playscript. Write down 5 ways that it differs to a normal story text. (STRUC)

	True	False
Playscripts have a list of characters at the start.	✓	
Playscripts feature detailed description of places or events.		✓
Actors are people who read a lot of playscripts.	✓	
Playscripts are written to be read alone.		✓
Playscripts feature “speech marks” to show when a characters is speaking.		✓
This playscript cannot be performed on your own.	✓	✓

Pages 3 - 10: Which pairs of rhyming words can be found on these pages? Show your ideas by writing the pairs in the boxes below. One has been done for you. (KNOWL)

Check that individual responses do in fact rhyme. Possible options are:
spider+inside her, my+die, absurd+bird, that+cat,

Page 4: Use a dictionary to locate the meaning of the word ‘absurd’. Copy out the meaning below. (WORDS)

Individual responses will differ depending on the dictionary used, but most will point to absurd meaning ridiculous or silly, therefore accept any similar answer.

Page 8: Some playscripts have stage directions. Stage directions are words written in brackets that tell the actors how to move, or the sort of voice they should use when speaking their words. Write stage directions for this part of the story below: (STRUC)

(Accept any reasonable response, e.g. old lady places bird into her mouth)
Old Lady: Whoops!

Page 13: On this page, the author recommends that you rehearse this play. What does this mean? (WORDS)

Accept answers that give the idea of practising the play to make it perfect before performing it to an audience.

Page 14: The author gives some ideas for sound effects that could be included during the performance of the play.

Other than those sound effects listed, what other effects could you include? Write your ideas in the table below. One has been done for you. (THEME)

Page Number	When it should happen	Sound effect
3	After Reader 1 speaks	The sound of an audience gasping in shock

Accept any reasonable responses that have been supported by page numbers.