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MARK SCHEME – Topaz Band 13 – Molly Whuppie and the Giant

Opening Pages: What type of text is this? Write 3 features that are only found in this text type as evidence for your choice. (STRUC)

This text is a: **Playscript**

Reason 1: **List of characters at the start**

Reason 2: **Character names down the side**

Reason 3: **Stage directions given in brackets**

Other answers include: No speech marks

Page 3 Why did the woodcutter leave his children in the forest? (ACC)

He couldn't feed them all.

Page 5: The author uses different descriptive strategies to make the giant frightening on this page Find two ways, the describe them below. (LANG)

First way	'A terrible thumping at the door'
Second way	'...between bites, he looked at those children.'

Page 7: Why did the giant bolt the children with the straw necklaces up in the cellar? (INF)

He thought that the three children with the straw necklaces were the visiting children, which he locked in the cellar to eat later.

Page 13: Why can't the giant cross the bridge of one hair? (INF)

The giant was too large/heavy to cross the bridge without breaking it.

Page 15: The Giant does exactly as Molly suggests. What does this tell you about the Giant? (INF)

Possible answers include:

- The giant is not very clever.
- He lacks ideas or imagination of his own.

Page 17 Why didn't Molly just use the scissors to cut a hole in the sack and escape? What is the significance of Molly having the Giant's wife climb inside? (INF)

Possible responses include:

- Molly tricked the wife into hiding in the bag so that she could escape more easily.
- So that when the giant hit the bag, he would be tricked into thinking he was hitting Molly.

Page 18: Explain how including the cat and dog in the sack helped in Molly's plan. (KNOWL)

The cat and dog made a lot of noise as the giant hit the bag so much so that the giant couldn't hear his own wife's screams.

Page 20: Do you think Molly is a nice character? Explain your answers using reasons and events taken from the text. (INF)

Accept either yes or no, so long as it is supported by a text-based reason.

No:

- She stole from the giant.
- She had no right to take the items that she did.

Yes:

- She put herself in danger for the sake of her sisters.
- She was desperate to have a safe life after being abandoned by their father.
- She only stole from the giant as he tried to eat her and her sisters.

Page 20: What arguments might Molly make to justify what she did to the giant? Think back through the events of the story. (INF)

- The giant tried to eat her and her sisters.
- Her sisters and her needed safety and the king was able to offer that in return for the giant's possessions.
- She'd had a poor life up to that point.
- The giant wasn't a particularly nice character.

Page 20: How have Molly and her sisters' fortunes changed since the beginning of the story? (INF)

- They are now wealthy.
- They have a place to live.
- They are no longer hungry.
- They are away from their uncaring father.
- They will live happily ever after.