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MARK SCHEME – Diamond Band 17 – Nightmare Two Ghostly Tales

Story 1: Nightmare

Pages 2 - 3: How does the author give Rab a mood of mystery about his character? Find 2 ways the author has achieved this. (LANG)

Accept:

He lives in a hut near the railway lines.

Sometimes he isn't seen for weeks or months.

Also accept: 'He isn't a house person' with appropriate explanation, he is often outdoors, prefers to be outdoors.

Page 5: Name an animal which a writer may use 'slithered' to describe. (LANG)

Accept any reasonable response.

Page 9: Write the meaning of the word 'clamour' as it is used on this page.

(LANG)

Accept answers that state that it is a 'loud noise'.

Page 13: Why is that the girl could not sleep? Explain. (INF)

Accept either:

She is still frightened from seeing the horse trapped in ice.

She is worried about Rab as she didn't see him come off the moor.

Page 17: Use a dictionary to write a definition for the word 'languorous' that is used on this page. Explain using the curtain of ice to help. (LANG)

Accept a definition that describes the curtain of ice moving sluggishly or listlessly.

Page 20: What effect do the short sentences used on this page, create? Choose one. (STRUC)

- ☐ Short sentences are used to break up text so that it is easier to read.
- ☐ Short sentences help convey complex information to the reader.
- ✓ Short sentences help to build tension and excitement in the story.
- ☐ Short sentences add humour to an otherwise dull part of the story.

Page 26: How and when did Rab die? (KNOWL)

Accept answers that relate to the idea of Rab falling from a horse on mid-winter's day.

Whole Text: Go back to page 6 when the girl met Rab again. Read on until Rab appears on horseback outside the girl's front window. Can you find the clues that the author has left for the reader that predicts Rab was a ghost or had already died? Write down the details of the clues, including the page numbers on which they are found. (INF)

Page 6 – Rab was trying to warm his hands as he must have been cold.

Page 8 – Rab says "Everything's died". This could mean that even he has died.

Page 12 – Rab suddenly disappears on the moor.

Story 2: The Ghost Galleon

Page 28: Describe what 'unfathomable' means in this sentence.

(WORDS)

Accept answers that state impossible to understand.

Do not accept impossible to measure, as it is wrong in this context.

Page 32: *"Suddenly, I realised that one of the trunks – no, two, three – three of the trunks were moving."*

What picture is the author trying to create in your mind by counting? (LANG)

It is describing how the boy is seeing the masts and counting them as they appear.

Page 41: Provide a definition for the word 'instinctive'.

(WORDS)

Accept answers that relate to something that can't be helped from doing.

Page 44: Match the action to the thought.

(LANG)

Shows disgust

Shows
misunderstanding

Voices objection.

“Help a
Spaniard?”

She spat into the
sand.

She cocked her
head sideways.