

The tests on pages 47 to 49 will show how well you can:

- Sequence
- Find similarities and differences
- Predict

(You will be working on your own!)

Read the report.

A big birthday bash

- 1. This picture book is a new one written by Karl Green.
- 2. The funny, rhyming storybook tells about a girl named Bree who is having a party to celebrate her seventh birthday.
- 3. Bree has invited some schoolfriends, including two unusual characters called Tatts and Butch. Mum has bought or cooked all the food. The decorations are up and Mum has set up games for them to play. Soon the party guests start to arrive. Finally, Tatts and Butch arrive. Unfortunately, Tatts has brought his pet mouse, Twitch, in his pocket and Butch has hidden a jar of sneezing powder inside his jacket.
- The madness that follows after Tatts and Butch make trouble by playing tricks makes this a very funny book.
- Karl Green has written two other books, A schoolday scare and A holiday howl. A schoolday scare is scary and A holiday howl is sad. This book is different because it is written in rhyme but, like his other books, it is still very funny.
- 6. This book is illustrated by Tess Willis. Her cartoon-like pictures make it colourful and funny. It is the first time she has drawn pictures for a book written by Karl Green.
- This is a very funny story which all children will enjoy reading.





The tests on pages 47-49 will show how well you can:

- Sequence
 Find similarities and differences
 - Predict

You will be working on your own.

Read the recount.

The Foster family's camping trip

- 1. During the last school holidays, I went with my family on our yearly camping trip. We camped at Roper River, which is a lot closer than Lilac Lake, where we stayed last year.
- 2. After helping to pack the car, we set off about eight o'clock. My brother, Braden, and I had more room in the back of our 4WD this time as my cousin, Jade, wasn't with us. Mum said the trip was a lot less noisy, with only one boy and a girl!
- It only took two and a half hours to drive to the Roper River campsite. Braden didn't grizzle as much as last year, which was great. We stopped to stretch our legs along the way, while Dad topped the car up with petrol.
- 4. When we got there we helped to unpack and set up the tent. Then we all went to meet some other families. The same as last year, our tent was pitched near one with a boy and a girl about our ages. I found out that her name was the same as mine—Sophie! Her brother's name was Callum.
- s. Like at Lilac Lake, there were so many things to do. The first afternoon we went for a walk around the lake. Braden didn't need to be piggybacked by Dad this year, but he began to grumble when he walked through some loose gravel and said his heel was hurting.
- The next day we hired canoes to use on the lake. First, Mum and I got in our canoe. We did very well in our canoe, but Dad had trouble with Braden in theirs. Braden kept leaning over too far to look at the things in the water. Mum and I lost sight of them around a bend in the river. Unfortunately, we heard

a loud splash and shouting and we guessed what had happened!

morning, swimming most afternoons, when it was warmer, played with our new friends and had a yummy barbecue every night. Unlike Lake Lilac, it didn't rain at all, but there were heaps of mosquitoes to annoy us. Still, I was sad to leave.



Seauence

The tests on pages 47 to 49 will show how well you can:

Find similarities and differences

You will be working on your own.

Predict

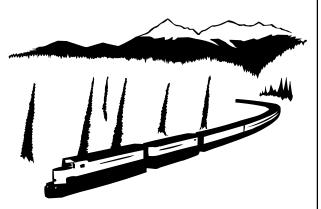
Read the report.

The Rocky Mountaineer

- The Rocky Mountaineer is a passenger train that travels through the spectacular, snow-tipped Canadian Rocky Mountains in late spring, summer and early autumn. People from all around the world are rushing to enjoy this unique rail journey.
- 2. Three of the different journeys available to passengers are described below.
- The first leaves from Vancouver on the west coast and travels through some magnificent scenery to the small railway town of Kamloops. This non-stop journey takes a whole day and passengers do not reach Kamloops until early evening. They are transferred by coach to a hotel for the evening. Because of limited accommodation in the town, some are taken by coach to nearby mountain resorts. The following day their train continues, arriving that evening in Jasper, a tourist destination situated in the mountains beside a beautiful lake. Travellers have the option of continuing their journey the next day by coach or returning to Vancouver by train.
- The second rail journey starts in Vancouver early in the morning and follows the same route, arriving in the early evening in Kamloops, where the passengers are accommodated for the night. They depart early and spend all day travelling to the world-renowned town of Banff, situated in the mountains near a swiftly flowing river where whitewater rafting is popular. The hot springs in Banff and the ski resorts close by make it a popular tourist destination all year round. It is not far from some magnificent lakes, one of the most famous being Lake Louise. Some passengers choose to return by train to Vancouver, but most extend their holiday, continuing to explore the Rocky Mountains by coach.
- The Rocky Mountaineer is so popular that it introduced a third train journey in 2005. This leaves from Vancouver and takes a more northerly route through the famous ski resort of Whistler. Passengers have a choice of continuing in the train to Kamloops and then either Jasper or Banff, or they

can return to Vancouver. This shorter journey was introduced for those tourists who wanted to experience the Rocky Mountains but had limited time.

6. Passengers who travel on the Rocky Mountaineer have the opportunity to see some breathtaking scenery, stay at some world famous hotels and enjoy some wonderful food and service on the train.



Finding elmilarities and differences Test 2



Nan	ne: _		Date:					
•	Use	e sure you understand the question and a chart or a Venn diagram if you need it ays check all possible answers before m	t.					
1. 2.	(a) (b) (c) (d) The	'	Activity Start in Vancouver Spend two days on the train Sleep in Kamloops Eat on the train Stay next to a beautiful lake Transfer to a hotel in a coach Visit Jasper (b) The passengers on Journey can do all of the activities on the ch	3				
/	Journey Leaves from Vancouver Can visit Banff Can visit Jasper Can go to Kamloops (a) What are two similarities between Journey 1 and 2?							
	(b)	What is the main difference between	een Journey 1 and Journey 2?					

Finding similarities and differences

Test 2



Remember:

- Make sure you understand the question and underline the keywords.
- Use a chart or diagram if you need it.
- Always check all possible answers before making a decision.

Name:					Date:				
1.	What do the Fosters do the same every year? (a) Go trout fishing. (b) Go swimming.								
	(c) Go camping.				(b) Go s (d) Go t		•		
2.	The best answer is2. Read paragraph 2 and list three things that were different from the trip t family took the year before.							e trip the	
3.	. Use a tick or cross to complete the chart. Then answer the c						e questi	ons below.	
		Shorter trip	Braden grizzled more in car	Tent near children same age	Girl with same name	Lots of things to do	Braden needed a piggy- back	It rained	Mosquitoes
	Lake Lilac								
	Roper River								
				vere the s					
	(b) Lis	st two th	ings that	were diff	erent ab	out both	n trips.		

Finding similarities and differences

Test 2



Remember:

- Make sure you understand the question and underline the keywords.
- Use a table or chart if you need one.

•	Check all possible answers before deciding.
Var	ne: Date:
1.	A big birthday bash is different from other books because
	(a) it is a scary story. (b) it is hard to read.
	(c) it is not funny (d) it is written in rhyme.
	The best answer is
2.	How is Tatts the same as Butch?
	(a) He has a pet mouse. (b) He plays tricks.
	(c) He has some sneezing powder. (d) He wrote a book.
	The best answer is
3.	The three books are the same because
	(a) they are all written by Karl Green.
	(b) Tess Willis illustrated them.
	(c) they are about birthday parties.
	(d) the words rhyme.
	The best answer is
4	Circle the correct word(s)

The pictures in A big birthday bash are different/the same because they are drawn by a different/the same illustrator.