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## *A Pig Tale*

This is an example of a basic comprehension exercise. Publications which contain similar exercises are *Basic Comprehension*, *Reading Worksheets*, *Everyday Reading* and the Exercises which accompany the more basic level stories in the *Readers with Exercises* series.

## *What's missing ?*

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## *The right change*

This is an example of a maths exercise which might be encountered in everyday life. Publications which contain similar exercises are *Maths in Practice*, *Maths Worksheets* and *Everyday Maths*.

*Answers for The right change are as follows :*

1. **Coins:** 1p, 2p, 5p, 10p, 20p, 50p, £1, £2    **Notes:** £5, £10, £20
2. **a.** 8p    **b.** £1.33    **c.** £4.15    **d.** £2.66
3. **a.** £5.01    **b.** £1.65    **c.** £7.84    **d.** £2.99
4. 10p - so that you get a £5 note.
5. **a. Three:** 5p & 2 x 2p    **b. Three:** 50p, 20p, 5p  
**c. Five:** £1, 10p, 5p, 2p, 1p    **d. Five:** £2, 20p, 10p, 2p, 1p
6. **a.** 50p & 2 x 10p    **b.** £2, 20p, 5p    **c.** 3 x 2p & 1p    **d.** 3 x £5    **e.** £20, £10, £5
7. **a. Twenty-seven:** 1 x 5p; 10 x 2p; 16 x 1p    **b. Twenty-eight:** 5 x 5p; 10 x 2p; 13 x 1p  
**c. Nineteen:** 3 x 2p; 16 x 1p    **d. Thirty-four:** 8 x 5p; 9 x 2p; 17 x 1p
8. **a.** Correct    **b.** 10p short    **c.** Correct    **d.** £1 too much !

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# A pig tale

A pig-wrestling competition at Mickleton Fair was cancelled this year because of protests about animal rights.



Pig-wrestling had taken place each year for over four hundred years. The owner of a pig called Sam, which had taken part for the last eight years, was angry.

“The protesters know nothing about pigs and what they enjoy,” he said. “Last year, Sam bit three contestants, trampled two more and broke the leg of another. Now he won’t be able to have his day of fun. I’ll just have to end up eating him.”

## A. Yes / No / Maybe

1. Mickleton Fair was cancelled this year.
2. The pig-wrestling had taken place for 300 years.
3. Sam was angry because he couldn’t take part in the wrestling.
4. Sam’s owner was a farmer.
5. Last year, Sam broke another pig’s leg.
6. The protesters have made things worse for Sam.



## B. Looking quickly

1. How many sentences are there in the story ?
2. How many different numbers are there in the story ?
3. Which words begin with a silent letter ?
4. List all the words which describe more than one of anything (*plurals*).

## C. Same sound, different spelling

*Find words in the story which sound the same as each of these, but have a different spelling and meaning:*

**tail      fare      rites      plaice      witch      ate      no**

## D. Word within words

*Find two words of 3 or more letters within each of these:*

**cancelled      protesters      contestants      trampled**

# What's missing ?

## 1. Fill in the missing letters: b or d

A ju\_\_ge at the Ol\_\_ \_\_ailey was stu\_\_ying a photo of a num\_\_er of people \_\_eing threatene\_\_ \_\_uring a \_\_ank rai\_\_. He turne\_\_ to the \_\_arrister an\_\_ aske\_\_ which was the ro\_\_ \_\_er. The \_\_arrister replie\_\_ :

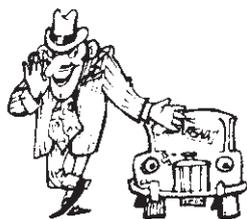
“The man \_\_resse\_\_ in a tracksuit, who is hol\_\_ing the gun, my Lor\_\_ .”

## 2. Fill in the missing pairs of vowels: ee ea ei ai

A car driver in Germany was driving in a 50kph sp\_\_d limit at the correct sp\_\_d. He noticed a sp\_\_d camera flash as he passed it. As he was cert\_\_n that he had not b\_\_n sp\_\_ding, he turned round and went back past the camera at 40kph. The camera flashed. He then turned round once more and went back past it at 30kph. Ag\_\_n the camera flashed. F\_\_ling very smug, he drove away, r\_\_dy to argue in court if he was accused of sp\_\_ding.

Thr\_\_ w\_\_ks later, he rec\_\_ved a summons from the local police station, together with thr\_\_ photographs. He was charged with not w\_\_ring a s\_\_t belt !

## 3. Fill in the blanks. Each missing part is a word in its own right.



Mr. Walsh, the owner of a car auction firm, was fined £15,000 and orde\_\_ to pay com\_\_sation of £18,000. He had \_\_n found guilty of alte\_\_ the mileage re\_\_ers on 18 cars and vans. He said, in his de\_\_,

“When I st\_\_ed in the used car bu\_\_ess, 40 years ago, all these things were normal pr\_\_ice.”

The magist\_\_ replied,

“It j\_\_t goes to show, you can't t\_\_ the clock back.”

# The right change

Almost every time we spend cash we give or receive change.

Do you always know what change you should be given? Do you always check your change?

*The exercises on this page are all about change.*

1. Make a list of all the coins and notes from **1p** to **£20**.
2. What change should you get from a **£5 note** for each of these payments?  
a. **£4.92**                      b. **£3.67**                      c. **85p**                      d. **£2.34**
3. What change should you get from a **£10 note** for each of these payments?  
a. **£4.99**                      b. **£8.35**                      c. **£2.16**                      d. **£7.01**
4. Some groceries cost **£5.10**. You have a **£10 note** and some small change.  
What could you offer the shop assistant so that you can avoid getting more small change?
5. You work in a shop.  
What is the smallest number of coins you can give customers for these amounts of change?  
a. **9p**                      b. **75p**                      c. **£1.18**                      d. **£2.33**
6. a. You receive 3 coins as change worth **70p**. Which coins must you have been given?  
b. Which 3 coins might you get as change worth **£2.25**?  
c. Which 4 coins might you get as change worth **7p**?  
d. Which 3 notes might you get as change worth **£15**?  
e. Which 3 notes might you get as a refund of **£35**?
7. You have a lot of loose change you want to get rid of.  
You have ten **2p** coins, seventeen **1p** coins and eight **5p** coins.  
What is the largest number of coins you can give for each of these payments?  
a. **41p**                      b. **58p**                      c. **22p**                      d. **75p**
8. You receive the following amounts of change. Have you been short-changed at all?  
a. **£2.73** from a **£10 note** for items costing **£7.27**  
b. **£6.31** from a **£10 note** for items costing **£3.59**  
c. **£7.48** from a **£20 note** for items costing **£12.52**  
d. **£3.54** from a **£20 note** for items costing **£17.46**



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