

## ANSWER KEY TO LESSON 17 OF C IS FOR COTTAGE

### THE LION AND THE MOUSE

#### READING QUESTIONS A

1. a
2. b
3. c
4. b
5. c

### ANDROCLES AND THE LION

#### READING QUESTIONS B

1. Who was Androcles and why did he go to hide in a cave?  
*Androcles was a Roman run-away slave. He went into the woods to escape his captors, but weak and sick from his search for food, he went into a cave to lie down.*
2. Why does the lion not harm Androcles?  
*Androcles had taken out a thorn from the lion's paw, and in gratitude, the lion brought Androcles food. The lion would not hurt his helper but became fast friends with him.*
3. What was Androcles' punishment for having run away from his master?  
*Androcles was captured and taken to a coliseum to face a cruel death. Such "sport" was not uncommon in Rome, where spectators came to watch slaves, gladiators and criminals being mauled by wild animals.*
4. Why did the spectators demand that both Androcles and the lion be granted their liberty?  
*The spectators were pleased and moved to see the friendship between the man and beast.*
5. Is this story realistic?  
*Many similar stories have been recounted in the modern era of animals, such as lions, showing affection for humans who have been kind to them. However, as it is related, the story of Androcles is somewhat unrealistic. The detail about the slave's friendship with the lion is quite unlikely, as is the detail of the spectators clamoring to let both the slave and the animal free.*

#### LITERARY WORDS: ANECDOTE

Parents may give more anecdotes as examples. One interesting anecdote from history is how the president's residence came to be known as the White House. The fourth President of the United States, James Madison, was eating his dinner when he received news that the British army was marching into Washington, D.C. Madison took flight, and his wife Dolly followed, but only after taking some valuables with her, such as Gilbert Stuart's famous Athenaeum

portrait of George Washington, which she wrested from its frame. When the British arrived, it is purported that the dinner was still warm. The soldiers lit the city on fire, including the president's residence. After the war was over, the president's house was charred black from the arson, but when it was restored and painted a white, the contrast was so stark, it became known as the "White House."

#### WRITING EXERCISE: EXPOSITORY PARAGRAPH

The following is an expository paragraph which may be used as an example for students. The transition words are italicized.

There are many good things that can come from friendship. *First*, friends give us companionship—someone to talk to, someone to like and be liked by, and someone to play and work with. Life would be very lonely without them. Friends *also* give us the comfort knowing that when we are in need, there will be someone to help us. *Last*, friends allow us to be useful to others. They give us the chance to serve people other than ourselves. It's hard to think of a world without friends to be with, think about and care for!

#### 1. PHONICS AND VOCABULARY: SILENT T

##### PHONICS EXERCISE A

1. a
2. a
3. c
4. b
5. b
6. b
7. a
8. c
9. a
10. b

##### PHONICS EXERCISE B

1. listen
2. hasten
3. whistle
4. wrestle
5. castle

## 2. GRAMMAR AND PUNCTUATION: VERBS (1)

### GRAMMAR EXERCISE A

The answers are given to the exercise along with the three principal parts, including the present, past and past participle.

1. I (present: *get*; past: *got*; past participle: *gotten*)
2. R (present: *notice*; past *noticed*; past participle: *noticed*)
3. I (present: *am, is, are*; past: *was, were*; past participle: *been*)
4. I (present: *drive*; past: *drove*; past participle: *driven*)
5. R (present: *pull*; past: *pulled*; past participle: *pulled*)
6. I (present: *send*; past: *sent*; past participle: *sent*)
7. R (present: *call*; past: *called*; past participle: *called*)
8. R (present: *check*; past: *checked*; past participle: *checked*)
9. I (present: *rise*; past: *rose*; past participle: *risen*)
10. I (present: *take*; past: *took*; past participle: *taken*)

### GRAMMAR EXERCISE B

1. passed
2. sang
3. bit
4. liked
5. brought
6. dressed
7. found
8. asked
9. prayed
10. faked