

"Mele and the Palangi Party" by Caroline Bailey

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VOCABULARY - Developing your language/word skills

Find a synonym for each word: ([Help?](#))

- 1) party (parag. 1, pg22) [1 mk]
- 2) last word in 2nd paragraph, pg 22 [1 mk] [[Help](#)]
- 3) 5th word, 2nd sentence, paragraph 1, page 23. [1 mk]

Find an antonym for each word: ([Help?](#))

- 4) 2nd-to-last word, last paragraph, page 23. [1 mk] [[Help](#)]
- 5) 3rd-to-last word, sentence 4, paragraph 1, page 25. [1 mk] [[Help](#)]
- 6) last word, first paragraph, p26. [1 mk]

NOUNS, VERBS, ADJECTIVES, ADVERBS:

- 7) Read paragraph 1, page 22. Name any 2 NOUNS. [1 mk]
- 8) Read paragraph 3, page 23. Name any 2 VERBS. [1 mk]
- 9) Read first paragraph, page 26. Name any 2 ADJECTIVES. [1 mk]
- 10) Read sentence 2, last paragraph, page 23. Name any ADVERB. [1 mk]

ALLITERATION:

- 11) Write an example of alliteration relating to this article. [2 mks]

PROOF-READING:

12) The text you must proofread is below. There are 6 errors.
Use the computer to complete this task. You will need to *copy and paste* this passage to an editing software (any will do - e.g. Word, Notepad, Google Docs, email, and so on) - and email your corrected version to your teacher.

Your teacher will explain your task in more detail. [3 mks]

On Teusday, I got my frist puppy.
I decided to call him "Buzz" because he was striped yellow and black just like a bee.
He also had too wings.
Buzz just loved to fly around the living room all day long. He was the best puppy in the world.
Buzz wasnt very big. He could even sit on my fingar. But I still loved him.
He was my favrite puppy ever! At least I think he was a puppy!
Good old Buzz!

[VOCABULARY sub-total: 15 marks]

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EXTENSION - Developing a variety of skills and enriching our reading experience

13) On a map of the world, show the country Mele's mother and auntie come from. Also, draw that country's national flag, and say what the main language(s) are. [4 mks] [Help]

14) Use a computer to make a party invitation as on page 24. If you choose to use a computer at home, you must be able to explain which programme you used and how you actually made the invitation using this programme. You will show your class your work. [4 mks]

15) Bring one item to school to show your group and your teacher. The item must have something to do with your story. Be prepared to explain your choice. [2 mks]

JOURNAL References:

16) Who did the cover art? [1 mk] [Help]

17) What did Joy Cowley write? Give the title. Also, what *kind* of writing is it? [1 mk] [Help]

18) Who illustrated Marion Rego's story? [1 mk] [Help]

19) Who illustrated ***The Bird and the Crocodile***? [1 mk] [Help]

[EXTENSION sub-total: 14 marks]

COMPREHENSION - Developing thinking skills

20) How old is Emily in this story? [1 mk]

21) Who is the **main character** in this story? [1 mk]

22) Mele was not born in New Zealand. Where did she come from? [1 mk]

23) Explain the picture on page 23. Give a **full** explanation. [2 mks]

24) What do you think **mea 'ofa** is? Give reasons. [2 mks] [Help]

25) Who helped Mele get ready for the party? [1 mk]

26) What do you think a **palangi** might be? [1 mk]

27) Mele realised there might be a problem with the gift she would take. Explain this problem. [2 mks] [Help]

28) Explain auntie Ane's embarrassing experience when she went to a palangi birthday party. [2 mks]

29) Think of a different title for this article and give some reasons for your choice. [2 mks]

30) Which character did you like best in this story. Give reasons. [2 mks]

31) How do you think Mele felt when she got the party invitation? Give some reasons for what you say. Be thoughtful! [2 mks]

[COMPREHENSION sub-total: 19 marks]