

SPAG and Reading Daily Tasks

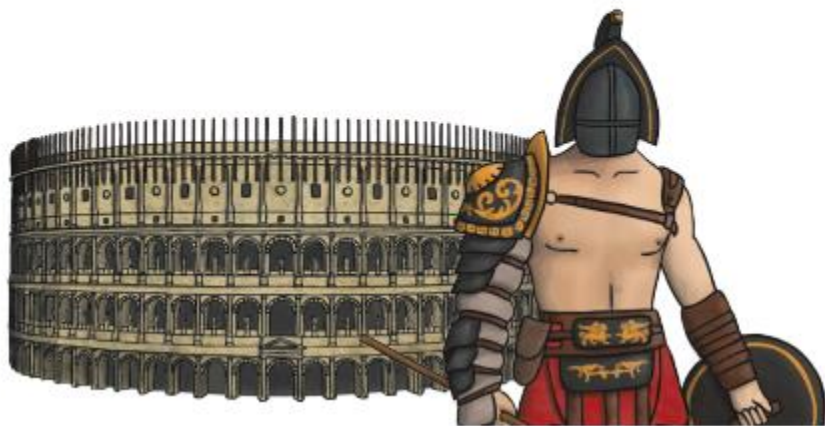
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The Captivating Colosseum

8 The Colosseum, also known as the Flavian Amphitheatre,
17 is an oval-shaped amphitheatre in the centre of Rome –
28 the capital city of Italy. Built from concrete and sand, its
36 construction began in 72AD under the emperor Vespasian
47 and it was completed eight years later. Despite its age, it
54 still remains the largest amphitheatre ever built.

64 It is estimated that the Colosseum could hold up to
74 80,000 spectators and was used daily as a place for
81 entertainment such as gladiator contests, animal hunts,
89 re-enactments of famous battles and dramas based on
91 ancient myths.

99 Although damaged by earthquakes and theft of stone,
109 the Colosseum is still a popular tourist attraction and an
114 iconic symbol of Imperial Rome.



Quick Questions



1. In which year was the building of the Colosseum completed?



2. What does the word 'estimated' tell you about the amount of people that the Colosseum can hold?



3. How does the entertainment at the Colosseum compare to modern-day entertainment?



4. Summarise what you have read in 20 words or less.

Section 1

Replace the underline words with appropriate pronouns:

Paul thought that Paul would win the egg and spoon race but unfortunately Paul's egg fell off the spoon near the finishing line. Despite dropping the egg, green team still finished in overall first place. Green team were extremely proud.

Section 4

Mr Whoops has accidentally jumbled two Y3/ Y4 spelling words. Can you help him to unjumble them? (Clue: They're both prepositions!)

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Section 2

Can you think of words ending in 'er' or 'or' to match these occupation definitions?

A man that serves in a restaurant:

Someone who creates comic strips:

Section 5

Tick the two sentences that have the correct punctuation:

Bernard's boots were still in the shoe box.

Bernards football boot's were brand new.

Bernard put on his new football boot's.

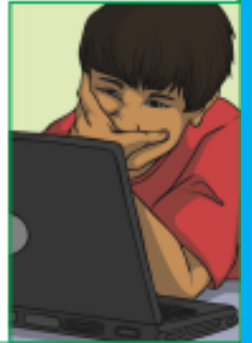
Bernard's team were bottom of the league.



Section 3

Use the correct determiners in this sentence:

Scott had _____ headache after spending too long on _____ awfully loud computer game.



Section 6



Rewrite this sentence with a subordinate clause:

The tourists finally saw a pride of lions.

Answers on the following slides



Answers



1. In which year was the building of the Colosseum completed?

Summarise what you have read in 20 words or less.



2. What does the word 'estimated' tell you about the amount of people that the Colosseum can hold?

Accept any reasonable answer which relates to the fact that it has not been officially measured or counted in recent years.



3. How does the entertainment at the Colosseum compare to modern-day entertainment?

Accept any reasonable comparison, whether stating differences (such as no more gladiator contests) or similarities (watching plays) to modern day.



4. Summarise what you have read in 20 words or less.

Accept any reasonable summary which includes the key points from the text in 20 words or less.

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Section 2

Can you think of words ending in 'er' or 'or' to match these occupation definitions:

A man that serves in a restaurant: **waiter**

Someone who creates comic strips: **illustrator**

Section 3

Use the correct determiners in this sentence:

Scott had **a** headache after spending too long on **an** awfully loud computer game.

Section 4

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Section 5

Tick the two sentences which are correctly punctuated.

Bernard's boots were still in the shoe box. ✓

Bernards football boot's were brand new.

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Bernard's team were bottom of the league. ✓

Section 6

Rewrite this sentence with a subordinate clause.

The tourists finally saw a pride of lions.

Accept any sensible sentence with a subordinate clause headed with a subordinating conjunction, e.g. After driving for miles into the savannah, the tourists finally saw a pride of lions. OR, The tourists finally saw a pride of lions while quietly watching from their safari jeep.