



HEREFORD CATHEDRAL SCHOOL

11+ Entrance Examination

English Sample Material

Time Allowed

One Hour

Name:.....

School:.....

The test is divided into two sections. You should spend approximately 30 minutes on each.

Advice to candidates

Read the extract carefully before writing your answers in the accompanying question and answer booklet.

Please write neatly in the spaces provided for each answer.

Do not spend too long on any one question. You may return to complete a question later if you have time.

SECTION A: Reading, Comprehension, Inference

1. Put the following events in the order in which they occur in the extract. Number them from one to five, **where one happens first and five happens last.**

we never heard Mrs. Prothero's first cry from her igloo at the bottom of the garden	
It was on the afternoon of the Christmas Eve	
Nobody could have had a noisier Christmas Eve	
Mrs. Prothero was announcing ruin like a town crier in Pompeii	
Eskimo-footed arctic marksmen in the muffling silence	

[5]

2. In **lines 1-10** find an example of a simile.

_____ [2]

3. In **lines 1-10** find an example of a metaphor.

_____ [2]

4. Circle the word or phrase which has the closest meaning to '*callous*' (**Line 9**)

persistent long-suffering heartless freezing [1]

SECTION B: Creative Writing – Content, Structure, Accuracy



‘The snow clutched at their ice-booted legs, tugging at them, as they battled against the snarling wind.’ Starting with this sentence, write a short story in which you convey a sense of:

- Character
- Setting/place
- Atmosphere

You will be marked for the quality of your content and for your accuracy, so please make sure that you leave enough time to proof-read your work.
