

## Part A: Words

- A1** Why was The Shard in London lit blue last week?
- A2** What is one positive thing about the lockdowns around Europe?
- A3** Organisers of the Tour de France are considering ways in which the race could still go ahead. What is one option believed to be under consideration?
- A4** The fifth instalment of what sold more copies in its first week than all the other titles in the series?
- A5** Who are Dog and Fiona and why are they in the news this week?
- A6** What has been preserved in a lantern and why?
- A7** What is the *Dineobellator notohesperus* and why is it in the news?
- A8** What city tradition in Ripon has had to be put on hold?
- A9** Meghan Markle has announced her first job since she and Prince Harry quit as senior royals. What is it?
- A10** What new discovery inspires hope for plastic that can't be recycled?

## Part B: Pictures What news do these pictures tell us?



## Part C: Person

Who is this person and why is she in the news this week?



## Part D: Object

What is this object and why is it in the news?



## Part E: Place

Which country in South America added an important job to their essential workers list when its government said "the tooth fairy is exempt from the lockdown"?



## Part F: Statistics What news do these numbers tell us this week?

<b>F1</b> Less than 100 hours	<b>F2</b> Around 3,000 times
<b>F3</b> 70%	<b>F4</b> A record high of more than 180,000
<b>F5</b> Grown from 4,845 in 2012 to 5,630 in 2018	<b>F6</b> Between 106,000 and 86,000 years ago

## Teacher Answers

### Part A: Words

A1 It was lit blue, the colour of the NHS, to say thank you to all people in healthcare dealing with the coronavirus. 'Thank you NHS!', Front Page, page 1

A2 Air quality has improved dramatically because millions of cars are off the roads while people are at home. The European Space Agency released photos showing the huge drop. 'Good news from space', Coronavirus News, page 2

A3 An option believed to be under consideration by the organisers of the Tour de France is to ban fans from lining the route 'What happens now?', Sport, page 28

A4 Animal Crossing: New Horizons. 'Making the big bells', Game Zone, page 22

A5 They are ring-tailed lemurs. They are in the news because they have just had babies at Chester Zoo. 'Twins!' Animal News, page 19

A6 The Olympic flame. It was preserved during the Flame of Recovery special exhibition, a day after the postponement of the Tokyo 2020 Olympic and Paralympic Games was announced. 'Iwaki, Japan', News in Pictures, page 5

A7 It is a newly discovered dinosaur that's believed to have been one of the last raptors to ever walk the Earth. The fossilised remains are thought to be around 67 million years old. 'The last of the raptors', Big News, page 7

A8 Hornblowing. The tradition of sounding a horn every evening in the Market Place dates back to AD 886. 'Hornblowing halts', Ripon, Home News, page 6

A9 She will narrate a Disney documentary called Elephant. 12. 'Disney Duchess', Quick News, page 4

A10 A bacteria that can eat toxic plastic has been discovered by scientists. It can break down plastics that usually end up in landfill because they can't be recycled. 'Plastic-eating bug', Big News, page 7

### Part B: Pictures

B1 This is Xherdan. He is a sphynx cat and has a grumpy expression. He has an Instagram account that has more than 30,000 followers. 'Wrinkles and whiskers', Crazy but True, page 23

B2 Despite every other football competition in Europe being suspended, the Premier League in Belarus has carried on. FC Minsk played Dinamo Minsk last weekend in front of 3,000 people. 'Sport in Numbers', Sport, page 28

B3 Despite most of us being at home, the animal rescue team from the RSPCA are still working hard to save injured, abandoned and needy animals. 'Wildlife heroes', Animal News, page 19

B4 A hairdresser in the Netherlands cut arm and eye holes in an umbrella to create a brolly barrier to 'protect' against COVID-19. 'Brolly good', Crazy but True, page 23

B5 For the first time in years, nearly 100 critically-endangered hawksbill sea turtles have made their first steps – without crowds watching because of beach closures. 'Hawksbill hatching', Brazil, World News, page 8

B6 This is a new photo of a galaxy called NGC 4618. The Hubble space telescope took the photo of the galaxy, which is 21 million light years away. 'Galaxy snapped', Science News, page 10

### Part C: Person

Who is this person and why is she in the news this week? This is Verity Coward performing as part of the #NMPositivIT campaign playing cello outside her home. She is a student of the Northamptonshire Music and Performing Arts Trust. 'Northampton, UK', News in Pictures, page 5

### Part D: Object

What is this object and why is it in the news? This is a delivery robot created by Starship Technologies. The self-driving pod can carry out a number of tasks and can travel up to three miles, avoiding pedestrians and negotiating roads and obstacles. 'Buckinghamshire, UK', News in Pictures, page 5

### Part E: Place

Which country in South America added an important job to their essential workers list when its government said "the tooth fairy is exempt from the lockdown"? Argentina. News in Pictures, page 9

### Part F: Statistics

What news do these numbers tell us this week?

F1 Less than 100 hours – Mercedes and University College London have announced that, in less than 100 hours, they created a simple breathing machine that should reduce the number of people who need to be on a full-sized ventilator. 'Breathing easier', Coronavirus News, page 2

F2 Around 3,000 times – is roughly how many times Elisha Nochomovitz ran up and down his balcony to make up the 26.2-mile marathon distance. 'Balcony marathon', Crazy but True, page 23

F3 70% – of Barcelona players' wages are being cut as the club responds to the COVID-19 crisis. 'Sport in Numbers', Sport, page 28

F4 A record high of more than 180,000 – Research has shown that the player count of football videogames has increased. This was helped last week when Football Manager was made free, resulting in a record high of more than 180,000 players. 'Football "games"', Game Zone, page 22.

F5 Grown from 4,845 in 2012 to 5,630 in 2018 – The population of African black rhinos has grown from 4,845 in 2012 to around 5,630 at the last count in 2018. 'Good news for rhinos', Animal News, page 19

F6 Between 106,000 and 86,000 years ago – A cave in Portugal contains evidence of seafood remains dating back to between 106,000 and 86,000 years ago. It shows that European Neanderthals were very similar to modern humans. '11. Fishy history', Quick News, page 4