**Questions for Final**

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| e.g.  1 | Describe the boy’s virtual prison room. What did it look like and what did it contain? | “Inside his room there was nothing but a bed and a chair and one window, high up” | * Bed ½ pt * Chair ½ pt * High window 1 pt | Prologue |
| 1 | When first hearing the screams outside their house, what two things did Killarney’s mum grab before going out to take a look, and what did she grab near the front path? | “…but she’d already grabbed her puffer jacket and mobile and was unlocking the front door. … …Mum seized the shovel by our front path and tiptoed towards our gate.” | * her puffer jacket ½ pt * Mobile ½ pt * A shovel 1pt | Page 2 |
| 2 | First screams and then unusual footprints. Describe the next sign Killarney found of the mysterious visitor to her yard and where did she find it? | “Whatever had visited our yard must have rounded our Hills Hoist because, right underneath it, I found a long dropping, full of wiry white hair and tiny fragments of bone.” | * Long dropping (later, same page referred to it as poo) ½ pt, full of wiry white hair ½ pt, and tiny fragments of bone ½ pt * Right underneath the Hills Hoist ½ pt | Page 10 |
| 3 | One of Killarney’s most precious possessions was a soft plush toy turtle. Where had it come from and what was its name? | “I lunged towards him when he snatched one of my most precious possessions: my soft plush toy turtle, Shelley. … Nanna had sent Shelley all the way from North Queensland, where turtles nested on the beach.” | * Killarney’s nanna ½ pt in north Queensland ½ pt * Shelley 1 pt | Page 14-15 |
| 4 | Missy showed Killarney her trophy she had won at a gymkhana. What was the trophy for and what had Killarney done that contributed to the win? | “I’d (Killarney) plaited the ponies’ manes and tails and even done the girls’ hair to match. … “Der! First place for presentation, obviously!” (Missy) | * First place for presentation ½ pt * Killarney had plaited the ponies’ manes ½ and tails ½ pt and even done the girls’ hair to match. ½ pt | Page 25 |
| 5 | What was “The Gap” Killarney’s mum referred to and what had she lost when she sent Killarney to look for it? | “… And try not to get too dirty,’ Mum said a few days later as she ushered me down to retrieve her car keys, the latest victim of “The Gap”. Three of the floorboards had become so warped that we were constantly losing stuff in the giant cracks between them.” | * Three broken floorboards that had become warped and things could be lost in the giant cracks between them. 1 pt. * Her car keys 1 pt | Page 49 |
| 6 | On the first day April visited Killarney’s house, no animals could be found underneath the home. Using the four clues Killarney had given her, April presumed the animal was a female devil. What were the four clues? | “She (April) nodded. “Okay, so we’ve got stolen clothes, wiry poo, red eyeshine and some fairly distinct vocalisations?” She took a thoughtful breath. “Which all points to a female devil getting ready to den.” | * Stolen clothes ½ pt * Wiry poo ½ pt * Red eyeshine ½ pt * Some fairly distinct vocalisations ½ pt | Page 55 |
| 7 | Reflecting on her visit to the Tasmania Zoo in Launceston when on holidays, Killarney suddenly became inspired with a way to help Fern. What was her favourite exhibit there and what inspiration had she gleaned from the exhibit to help Fern? | “Where my favourite thing was the live platypus exhibit …We could see in, but the platypus couldn’t see us, meaning it swam happily around its tank, completely unaware we were there. Dad had explained that the enclosure was made from glass with a dark tint, like glass on car windows, which was why the platypus couldn’t see through. … Tinted one-way glass?” | * The live platypus exhibit 1pt * Tinted one-way glass 1 pt | Page 112 |
| 8 | On Killarney and her dad’s trip to the hardware store, what purchases did they make? | “”Kaboom !” he said. “Sounds like we’re in for a trip to the hardware store.” It didn’t take Dad and me to buy what we needed to fix the floorboards. As well as a pane of special tinted glass about the size of a school desk, we bought screws and some wooden battens to hold the glass in place. Plus, after I reminded him, we bought enough timber to fix the fence palings between our house and Noah’s.” | * A pane of special tined glass (about the size of a school desk) ½ pt * Screws ½ pt * Wooden battens (to hold the glass in place) ½ pt * Timber to fix the fence palings ½ pt | Page 113-1144 |
| 9 | DFTD What is it and what are the symptoms of this in Tasmanian devils? | “The disease, called devil facial tumour disease of DFTD for short, started with little lumps or lesions around the devil’s mouths, causing swelling and bleeding before growing ugly tumours.” | * Devil facial tumour disease ½ pt * Lumps of lesions around the devil’s mouth 1/2t * Swelling and bleeding ½ pt * Growing ugly tumours ½ pt | Page 154-155 |
| 10 | When Killarney suggested the instalment of The Night Owls to protect the wildlife crossing the road, how many did she calculate were needed for their two kilometres of road and about how much would this cost? | “A hundred and sixty (dollars each) with forty units needed for each kilometre,” I reminded her. Which would mean we’d need about thirteen thousand dollars to cover two kilometres of road.” | * 80 Night Owl units, 40 per kilometre 1 pt * About $13000.00 1 pt | Page 173-174 |
|  | **Tie-breaker Questions** |  |  |  |
| 1 | Mrs Dwyer was one of Killarney’s mum’s customers who visited on the day after Killarney had first heard the screeching. Where did she live, what was her favourite hobby, and what colour was she working with on this day? | The Dwyers lived on a sheep property just outside Dodges Ferry where Mrs Dwyer buried herself in her favourite hobby: spinning, dying and knitting wool. … Mrs Dwyers needles were loaded with bright orange wool today…” | * On a sheep property just outside of Dodges Ferry 1 pt * Spinning, dying and knitting wool 1pt * Bright orange wool 1 pt | Page 13 |
| 2 | After his gaming stuff, what was Noah’s favourite thing in the world? How did he get it and what was on it? | “…Grannie Annie had won the jersey in the footy club’s grand final raffle last year. It was signed by all the players and was Noah’s favourite thing in the world – after his gaming stuff, of course,” | * Hawk’s footy jersey 1 pt * Grannie Annie had won it the jersey in the footy club’s grand final raffle last year. 1 pt * It was signed by all the players. 1 pt | Page 21 |
| 3 | What details were written on April’s business card that she gave to Killarney? | “April offered me a business card with a picture of a lion holding an Olympic-style torch: Professor April Summers, Wildlife Zoologist, University of Tasmania, Hobart. “That’s my number and my email. So if someone …” | * A picture of a lion holding an Olympic style torch 1 pt * (name) Professor April Summers 1 pt * (Occupation) Wildlife Zoologist 1 pt * (Place) University of Tasmania, Hobart) 1 pt * April’s number 1 pt * April’s email 1 pt | Page 44 |