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| **Level**  **5/6** | **Book: Worse things**  **Author: Sally Murphy** | **Prepared by**  Linda Watt |  | **Region:**  **South Burnett** |
| **No.** | **Question** | **Answer** | **Page Ref** | **Points and Comment re scoring** |
|  | Name the 3 character in the story and in a “Town filled with labels” what are their labels? | Amed the watcher,  Blake the footy boy  Jolene the Hockey girl | P52 | 1 point for all correct names  1 point for all correct labels |
|  | **What part of his body did Blake break and how long did have the cast on?** | Arm  6 weeks | P11 & 23 | 1 Point for arm  1 point for 6 weeks |
|  | **What is Jolene’s favourite school subject and who is her teacher?** | English  Mr May | P46 | 1 point for English  1 point for Mr May |
|  | **List 4 things Jolene would rather do than Hockey**? | Read a book, climb a tree, watch a good movie, run a marathon, hang out with the girls, shave my legs, swim across a murky river, read another book, write a poem, write a story (novel or play), spend time with dad, sit a maths test, update my Facebook, play handball, sleep, nothing, play hackysack. | P58 | ½ point for each reason. Maximum of 2 points |
|  | **Blake compares his broken arm to a memory he had with is best mate. Who is his best mate and what was that memory?** | He saw Damo hit a bird with a slingshot, it broke the bird’s arm, he walked away | P76 | 1 point for Damo  ½ point for hit a bird/ slingshot  ½ point for broke its wing. |
|  | **What are two things people presume about Jolene?** | That she is rich.  That she is super-smart.  That she is spoilt.  That her life is perfect. | P103-104 | ½ point for each listed. |
|  | **How does Jolene help Blake and Amed?** | She helps Blake with his pencil and compass.  She helps Amed with conversations / English. | P134  P135 | 1 point for pencil / compass  1 point conversations/ talking or English |
|  | **Amed’s aunty gives him a present, what is it and why is it so special?** | A soccer ball  There were no such presents in the camp  It is his first ball. | P144 | 1 point for soccer ball  1 point for no presents at camp or his first ball |
|  | **At both the beginning and the end Blake lists what is ON the football oval? Name all four.** | 32 boys,  two umpires,  2 goal umps,  4 water runners |  | ½ point for each full answer |
|  | Throughout the story the author provides Dictionary meanings to certain words. Name two of these words given | Broken, Watch, belong, lonely, worry, sport, alone, words, umpire, dream,  Nice, death, togetherness,  friend | 13,19,29,39,  51,63, 73,87  107,121, 150,163,194  199 | 1 point for each with a max of 2 points |

Tie breaker.

Q what is the common feeling that connects all three characters in the story?

A Loneliness