

WITHINGTON GIRLS' SCHOOL

ENGLISH

ENTRANCE EXAMINATION

2016

QUESTIONS  
FOR  
COMPREHENSION

**Answer all the questions.**

**Use the paper provided; put your name and examination number on each sheet of paper you use and number your answers correctly.**

1. Write down three things which went wrong for Emma on her first day at school. (1 mark)
2. Which two characters in the story are sisters? (1 mark)
3. Re-read this sentence from the story: 'She adjusted the weight of her heavy bag on her shoulder and sighed' (lines 24 and 25). Write down one verb; one noun; one adjective and one pronoun from this sentence. (4 marks)
4. Write down the meaning of the word 'tentatively' in line 64. (2 marks)
5. Why is Zara feeling unhappy with her life as a Year 11 student? (3 marks)
6. What are Grace's reasons for wanting to be a teacher? (3 marks)
7. Write down 5 things we learn about the school in the story. (5 marks)
8. What moral or message do you think the writer is trying to get across to the reader in this story? (6 marks)
9. Choose one of the characters from the story: Emma, Khadijah, Zara, Grace or Mrs Spencer. Write a diary entry for your chosen character. Write between 10 and 15 lines and try to explain the character's feelings as well as what happens to them. (5 marks)

Total = 30 marks