

Answers

Unit B

- A** punters [1]
- B** The queue is long and may twist and turn like a snake. [1]
- C** Refer to both elements for 2 marks: because they show the actual words written in the poster / they are meant to attract people's attention and advertise the circus. [2]
- D** Refer to two of the following: He does daring stunts / he lives in a trailer with Louie / he drinks tea out of delicate cups / he is kind (lets her have piecrusts). [2]
- E** Refer to both how they are noisy and talking to begin with, and then how they will go quiet in amazement when they see the stunt. [2]
- F** *their breath like smoke in the evening air* [1]
- G** She is thinking about how exciting it would be to perform. [1]
- H** The large crowd meant lots of money. [1]
- I** the idea was getting bigger the more she thought about it [1]
- J** The stunt is extremely dangerous. [1]
- K** Refer to any three of the following: *I still felt sick thinking about it / At last / Can I go now? / unable to stop fidgeting / If I was quick / be sure of a good viewing spot / darted / the bit of circus life I loved best / the very air tingled.* [3]
- L** Refer to at least two aspects of the description of the fairground: the smells (*horse sweat and gingerbread*) / the sounds (the music of organ and drums) / the feeling (of the air tingling). [2]
- M** Refer to any two aspects: he is keen to make money / he is keen to draw in the crowds and do better than other circuses / he doesn't often smile / he gave Louie a job when her mother left her / he thinks Louie is too young to perform / he gets cross when Louie points out flaws in his argument. [2]
- N** wanting to be a circus performer herself [1]
- O** Any plausible prediction based on one of the following, with supporting evidence: Louie's desire to perform / the danger of the stunt / the large crowds / Mr Chipchase's desire to make the circus a success. If no supporting evidence is offered, but the prediction is plausible, award 1 mark. [2]
- P** All correct for 1 mark: True, False, True, True [1]
- Q** All correctly matched for 1 mark:
Charles Blondin - crossed Niagara Falls on a tightrope
Jasper - performs stunts in the circus
Louie - dreams of performing stunts
Louie's mother - abandoned her baby [1]

