

Parents,

Please sign the bottom of this letter stating that your child has received the summer reading book and worksheet. Please return the bottom portion to me. The summer reading worksheet should be completed and turned in at the beginning of next school year, or your child will receive a zero for their grade. I hope you have a wonderful summer!

Thank you,
Mrs. Baker
4th, 5th, & 6th
Language Arts

4th Grade Summer Reading

My child, _____, has received the summer reading book and worksheet. I understand that the book must be read, the worksheet completed, and the book returned at the beginning of the ~~2025-2026~~ school year in order for my child to receive a grade.
2026-2027

Parent's Signature

Student's Signature

Name

The One and Only Ivan

Class 4th Grade

Total questions: 30

Date

~~Time: 15 mins~~

1. The seal had _____ one day.
 - a) popped her new ball
 - b) abandoned her baby
 - c) swallowed seventeen screws
 - d) eaten one hundred pennies

2. Ivan had slept in Mack's bed after
 - a) he had torn up his own bed
 - b) he had broken his own bed.
 - c) Mack had gone away on a trip.
 - d) Mack's wife had moved out.

3. Ivan _____ with his black crayon
 - a) poked a mouse
 - b) made Stella laugh
 - c) gave Bob a beard
 - d) drew a beetle

4. What happened after Julia and her father changed the billboard?
 - a) A photographer from the newspaper came to the mall.
 - b) A man offered to buy the mall.
 - c) The mayor told Mack that he had to take down the sign.
 - d) Mack got rid of the billboard.

5. Ivan _____ when he was angry.

a) held his breath

b) beat his chest

c) threw grapes

d) broke a window

6. Julia's mother had stopped coming to the mall because

a) she had moved away.

b) she had gotten sick.

c) the mall depressed her.

d) the mall was too expensive.

7. Julia wanted to _____ when she grew up.

a) own a store

b) be an artist

c) work with animals

d) have six children

8. What had happened to Ivan's sister?

a) A hunter had knocked her out with a bat.

b) She had died in the crate after she had been captured.

c) She had escaped from the hunters and had tried to hide.

d) A zoo across the country had bought her.

9. When she came to the zoo, Julia

a) fed peanuts to Ruby.

b) had a message from Mack.

c) brought Bob with her.

d) gave a coloring book to Ivan.

10. What had happened at the zoo where Jambo lived?
- a) A boy had fallen into Jambo's cage. b) Jambo had captured a gray squirrel.
- c) A girl had fed potato chips to Jambo. d) Jambo had escaped from his cage.
11. What happened after Mack swung the claw-stick above Ruby's head?
- a) Ruby slapped Mack with her trunk. b) Bob growled and barked at Mack.
- c) Julia hit Mack in the stomach. d) Stella grabbed the stick from Mack.
12. Ivan started drawing every day because
- a) it was the best way to make Ruby smile. b) it kept him from thinking about Stella.
- c) Bob stopped moping when Ivan drew. d) Mack wanted to sell Ivan's pictures.
13. What happened after Ruby came to live at the mall?
- a) Mack started coming to work earlier. b) Julia's father had to work longer hours.
- c) The mall started staying open later. d) More visitors started coming to the mall.

14. When Ruby arrived at the mall, Mack
- a) led Ruby over to a swimming pool.
 - b) brought out a box of treats for Ruby.
 - c) used Stella to get Ruby to come out of the truck.
 - d) had Ivan show Ruby around her new domain.
15. Before he met the gorilla family, Ivan
- a) had to get several shots.
 - b) got to play on a swing and in a pool.
 - c) watched the family on TV.
 - d) listened to a CD of gorilla sounds.
16. After they had killed Ivan's parents, the humans had
- a) taken several pictures of the dead gorillas.
 - b) left the dead gorillas lying on the floor of the jungle.
 - c) stuffed the dead gorillas into large burlap bags.
 - d) chopped off the feet and hands of the dead gorillas
17. Julia's father wouldn't let Julia take Bob at first because
- a) Bob didn't seem to care much for Julia.
 - b) he was worried that Bob might have a disease.
 - c) he didn't know if he could afford to feed Bob.
 - d) Bob ran away whenever Julia went near him.

18. Bob said that he didn't want a home because

- a) he was a wild beast.
- b) people made him nervous.
- c) living inside was for wimpy animals.
- d) his mother had never had a home.

19. Ivan took out Not-Tag's stuffing because

- a) she was a good place for his markers.
- b) she had too much stuffing inside her.
- c) he planned to use the stuffing for his bed.
- d) he wanted to hide his paintings inside her.

20. When he kicked at Ivan's pool, Mack

- a) said that the pool was no good.
- b) got Ivan's charcoal drawing wet.
- c) complained about hurting his foot.
- d) found one of Ivan's paintings.

21. The night before Ivan left, Mack

- a) baked a cake for Ivan.
- b) showed a photo to Ivan.
- c) gave a bath to Ivan.
- d) played games with Ivan.

22. Stella knew that a baby elephant was coming to the mall because

- a) she could smell the baby elephant.
- b) she could hear the baby elephant crying for its mother.
- c) Mack said that he was getting a baby elephant for her.
- d) Julia told her about the baby elephant.

23. After they saw the claw-stick on TV, people

- a) wrote all over the mall windows.
- b) started throwing rotten food at the mall.
- c) wrote to the mayor about the mall.
- d) carried signs around the mall parking lot.

24. Ivan's parents had called him Mud because he had

- a) practiced writing the alphabet with mud.
- b) fallen in the mud all the time.
- c) enjoyed covering his sister with mud.
- d) used mud to draw pictures.

25. Ivan _____ while he sat in the tree.

- a) saw Ruby
- b) watched a bird
- c) thought of Mack
- d) chewed leaves

26. People had saved Ruby when she had

- a) gotten caught in a trap.
- b) become wedged between two trees.
- c) been cornered by a pack of hyenas.
- d) fallen into a hole.

27. Before Stella died, Ivan
- a) asked a lot of questions about Ruby.
 - b) promised to take care of Ruby.
 - c) told her the truth about his family.
 - d) thanked her for being a good friend.
28. Julia and her father went to the ring to
- a) teach tricks to Stella.
 - b) watch Ivan dance.
 - c) discuss the message that Stella left behind.
 - d) put together the pieces of Ivan's puzzle.
29. Ivan told Ruby that he was sleepy during the day because
- a) it was too quiet for him to sleep at night.
 - b) his nightmares kept him awake at night.
 - c) he was spending his nights working on a project.
 - d) he was staying up late watching old TV shows.
30. The famous circus where Stella used to work got rid of her because
- a) she was too old to work.
 - b) she became lame.
 - c) it went out of business.
 - d) it couldn't afford to feed her.