



Task Title: Read a Short Story

OALCF Cover Sheet – Learner Copy

Learner Name: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Successful Completion: Yes ☐ No ☐

Goal Path: Employment ☐ Apprenticeship ☐

Secondary School ☐ Post Secondary ☐ Independence ☐

Task Description: The learner will read a short story out loud, and answer oral comprehension questions.

Main Competency/Task Group/Level Indicator:

- Find and Use Information/Read continuous text/A1.1
- Communicate Ideas and Information/Interact with others/B1.1
- Manage Learning/E.1

Materials Required:

- Pen/pencil and paper and/or digital device

Learner Information

In secondary courses, students are often asked to read a text to the teacher and/or class.

Read “My Walk” and “Elephant Set Free after Years in Chains”.

My Walk

One day I went for a walk. I went down a long path until I came to a log cabin. I started to look around to see if anyone was home.

Then I heard a bang. I went to see what it was, but I did not see anything. I looked and looked. But I still did not see anything.

Then I came back outside. There stood a big black bear. I went back inside and closed the door.

Elephant Set Free after Years in Chains

It was a hot 4th of July. Ziggy, a very big elephant, lifted his trunk into the air. He gave a very loud roar. It could be heard all over the zoo. Ziggy was glad it was Independence Day. Heavy chains had just been taken off his legs. He was free, at last, to move around in his cage.

Many years before, Ziggy had been a man’s pet. The man’s name was Ziegfeld. This man put on big musical shows. All kinds of animals were in these shows. Ziggy was in one of these shows. When the man died Ziggy was put in a zoo.

After ten years in the zoo, Ziggy hurt his keeper. This cost him his freedom. Chains were put around his legs. For thirty-two years Ziggy could not move about freely. He was so happy. Now he was free to move about his cage.

Work Sheet

Task 1: Select one of the stories you have read. Read it aloud to your instructor.

Answer: No written response required here.

Task completed: Yes: ☐

Tasks 2-4: Your instructor will ask you three questions about the story. Answer the questions verbally. You may refer to the story to find the answers.

Answer: No written response required here.

Task completed: Yes: ☐

Task 5: Complete the Learner's Self-Reflection below.

Answer:

Learner's Self-Reflection

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| 1. I could read most of the words. | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. I understood what I read. | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. I could retell the story in my own words in the correct order. | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4. I found it easy to answer the questions. | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5. I answered most of the questions correctly. | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 6. I enjoyed reading the story. | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7. I would like to read another story like this one. | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |

Learner comments:
