# Set 3 - Reading

## Level A1. (i)

Read these short phrases.

Match each phrase to the correct picture.

**1.** making a film



2. watching a play



3. writing a letter



**4.** reading a magazine



5. sending an e-mail



**6.** listening to a story





Level A1. (ii)

Read these titles for different texts. Match each title to the correct picture.

**1.** Tales from all around the world.



2. What happened to the dinosaurs?





3. Win a holiday of a lifetime!



**4.** Stopping by the woods on a snowy evening.



5. Women rescued from burning building.



**6.** Pluto's Secret - a new science-fiction thriller.



# Level A1. (iii)

Read these dictionary definitions.

Match each definition with the correct word.

Water cach definition with the correct word.	famous
1. A person who is qualified to practise medicine.	doctor
2. Moving fast or doing something in a short time	quiet
3. To speak or call out very loudly	carry
4. Known about by many people	kitchen
5. A room where food is prepared or cooked	hold
6. Move or transport from one place to another	quick
	shout



Look at this letter.

Then read the 8 lines below.

Use 6 of these lines to complete the letter.

Number these sentences correctly (1 - 6).

1 14 Woodview Park, Tralee, Co. Kerry.
Dear Amy,  3 I really love that CD! It was great to see you last summer. Maybe next year I'll visit you in America. 4
5 Lisa

	I'm sorry for forgetting your birthday.
	P.S. I hope you like the photos.
1	14 Woodview Park,
	Thank you so much for the birthday present.
	28 <sup>th</sup> October 2006.
	Yours faithfully,
	Best wishes,
	Write soon and tell me all your news.

Level A2. (ii)

Read this short text.

Then use 6 of the words used in the text to complete the definitions below.



# ROMEO AND JULIET by William Shakespeare.



This play is about two young lovers, Romeo and Juliet. They must meet secretly because their families are enemies. Things get even more difficult when Romeo kills Juliet's cousin. Meanwhile, Juliet's family want her to marry another man. To stop this, Juliet takes a medicine that makes her appear to be dead. However, Romeo does not know about Juliet's arrangements. Romeo finds Juliet and believes that she is really dead. He cannot survive without her, so he drinks poison and dies. Juliet wakes up and, when she sees Romeo lying beside her, she stabs herself with his sword.

1.	not old	young
2.	seem	
3.	a harmful substance	
4.	not easy	
5.	feels sure that	
6.	not friends	

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Level A2. (iii)

Read this short text.

Use 6 words from the box to complete the text.



## THESEUS AND THE MINOTAUR

In Ancient Greece, a <u>terrible</u> beast called the Minotaur lived on the island of Crete. The Minotaur was half man and half bull and it lived in the \_\_\_\_\_ passages of a deep maze. Every nine years, the king of Athens had to \_\_\_\_ it fourteen children to eat. At last the king's son, Theseus, \_\_\_\_ to kill the Minotaur, so he sailed to Crete. There he met the king of Crete, whose daughter, Ariadne, fell in love with him. Ariadne wanted to help the \_\_\_\_\_, young hero. She gave him a sword and some string. Theseus killed the Minotaur \_\_\_\_\_ the sword and used the string to find his way out of the maze.

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deciding
terrible
brave
sent
with
frightened
decided
by
dark

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Level B1. (i)

Read and complete the three texts below by putting a circle around the correct word in each box. The first one is done for you.

### 1. EVER DREAMT OF HAVING A NUMBER ONE HIT RECORD?

RTE 2fm is currently accepting entries (for) from / of the RTE 2fm Song Contest taking place at Vicar Street, Dublin and broadcasting live on RTE 2fm next February. This contest is open to someone / no-one / anyone twenty years or under.

Prizes include:

- Up to 10,000 euro worth of equipment
- Live performance
- Studio recordings

To enter, go to www.rte.ie/2fm/songcontest.html.



#### 2. YOUTH DANCE COMPANY MAKES SHAPES IN LIMERICK.

In the new Limerick Youth Services building in the heart of the city centre the Limerick Youth Dance Company meet every Wednesday evening for a two-hour session. Its/Their/Our members are aged between twelve and sixteen and they practise an energetic mix of hip-hop and contemporary dance. Aisling, aged 13 has/had/was never really danced before she joined Limerick Youth Dance Company, but she finds the activity very enjoyable. "I really like the exercise and meeting people in class", she says. During each session, the teenagers are eager to share new dance routines they have put together themselves. They are also looking forward to several public performances, including participation in the Youth Dance Festival.

#### 3. AGE GAP? WHAT AGE GAP?

"Living Scenes" is a Transition Year project that takes place at Presentation Secondary School, Galway each year. Retired people come into the school to learn skills alongside transition year students. Age is not a problem, as one of the grown-up participants, Brian O'Malley, says: "With these young people, you meet them on an equal level". The students are likewise impressed by the energy and confidence of their visitors. Either / Neither / Both old and young take classes in arts, crafts, creative writing and drama.

The highlight of last year's scheme was the group's production of a play, performed for two nights at the An Taibhdhearc theatre in Galway. The success of this programme has been recognise / recognised / recognising not only by students and teachers, but also by the older people involved.



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The lines below were taken from the three texts.

Read these lines and decide which texts they were taken from.

Match the lines to the correct texts (1, 2 or 3).

	Lines from text	Text number
1.	Then why not make your dreams come true?	
	Here is your chance to shine like a star!	1
2.	According to project member, Kitty Raftery, "it's great to listen to young people, and to have them listening to you."	
3.	Every week, the participants attempt new pieces and rehearse the movements they learned in the previous class.	
4.	Through their activities together, both groups also have the chance to chat and make friends.	
5.	You can also apply by calling 01 2083461 for Entry Forms and Rules.	
6.	Claire (15) admits that at the start she didn't know much about technique but says, "now I can do more steps".	

Level B1. (iii)

Read these questions about the three texts. Circle the correct answer for each question.

- 1. Where will the song contest be held?
  - a. Galway
  - **b.** Limerick
  - (c.) Dublin
- 2. How old are the members of the dance company?
  - a. Twenty years or under
  - **b.** Over eleven but under seventeen years
  - c. At least sixty years old
- 3. What do students do in the "Living Scenes" project?
  - **a.** They make older people more confident.
  - **b.** They take care of older people.
  - c. They work together with older people.
- **4.** What type of text is text Number 1?
  - a. A report
  - **b.** An advertisement
  - c. An interview
- **5.** What style of dancing does the dance company practise?
  - a. Modern
  - **b.** Traditional
  - c. Classical
- 6. Which event was part of the "Living Scenes" project?
  - a. A youth festival
  - **b.** A dramatic performance
  - c. A music competition