### Year 6 Reading Assessment

**Throwing a Tree Answer Booklet**

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Questions 13 to 25 are about ‘Throwing a Tree’

13. What does the word ‘stalk’ mean and what does it suggest about the tree fellers?

14. Circle the word that is closest in meaning to ‘doffed’.

- chopped
- tied
- removed
- swing

15. What evidence is there in the poem that chopping the tree is a difficult task?

16. Order these events from the poem. The first one has been done for you.

An axe is used to chop a broad gash all around the trunk.

The saw is used along with the rope until the tree comes down.

The tree is marked in advance ready for cutting.

A rope is hooked upward.
17. Write the correct tools to match the descriptions in this table.

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18. How long had the tree been growing for?

19. How does the poet try to make the reader feel sorry for the tree? Refer to the text to support your answer.

20. What are the names given to the tree fellers?
21. Which of these sentences best summarises the poet’s feelings about the tree being chopped down? Tick one.

- The poet is celebrating and happy about the event.
- The poet is glad the tree was chopped down because it was too old.
- The poet seems sorrowful and disappointed that it has happened.
- The poet doesn’t really mind whether the tree is cut down or not.

22. Which of these words or phrases are used to describe the tree? Tick three.

- Living mast
- Heavy head
- Long and limp
- Proud
- Broad and deep
- Tall giant

23. What is meant by the phrase ‘it shakes all its neighbours’?

24. How long did the whole process take to chop down the tree?
Look at the line: ‘And so they approach the proud tree that bears the death-mark’.

25. Explain the meaning of the words ‘bears’ and ‘death-mark’ in this sentence.

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End of questions about ‘Throwing a Tree’

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