



## Intermediate Short Stories Answer Key

### Reading Comprehension – Short Stories

#### Intermediate Level:

<b>“By the Water”</b>  1. D 2. A 3. B, D 4. No one (He is alone.) 5. C, D 6. In the afternoon 7. A 8. C 9. Mothers and fathers 10. A, B 11. C 12. A 13. A 14. D 15. C	<b>“A Cold Day”</b>  1. A 2. D 3. A 4. B 5. A, C, D 6. A 7. B 8. B 9. A 10. B 11. D 12. C 13. B, C 14. D	<b>“Vet Emergency!”</b>  1. D 2. D 3. B 4. D 5. C 6. 2 hours 7. D 8. D 9. 3 10. A, C, D	<b>“Late”</b>  1. D 2. He is late. 3. A 4. C 5. 7:30 6. B 7. D 8. C 9. A 10. C 11. C 12. D 13. A 14. B, D
<b>“The Brenners”</b>  1. A, C 2. D 3. B, C 4. 2 5. B 6. A 7. C 8. C 9. B, D 10. D 11. D 12. C 13. A basketball hoop	<b>“Bullied”</b>  1. B 2. A, D 3. D 4. 7th 5. A, D 6. C 7. C 8. D 9. Link 10. B 11. When she gets home from work 12. A, C 13. C	<b>“The New School”</b>  1. C 2. C, D 3. 3rd 4. B 5. B 6. D 7. C 8. They walk. 9. C 10. D 11. A 12. A 13. Okay 14. C	<b>“The Runaway”</b>  1. A 2. C 3. A 4. C 5. B 6. D 7. B 8. December 9. B 10. C 11. A, C 12. C 13. D

**Intermediate Level (continued):**

<p><b>“The Park”</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. C</li><li>2. A, B</li><li>3. She paints a picture.</li><li>4. On a trash can</li><li>5. A</li><li>6. B, D</li><li>7. D</li><li>8. A</li><li>9. B</li><li>10. B</li><li>11. B</li></ol>	<p><b>“Worth Working For”</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. B</li><li>2. A</li><li>3. A, B, D</li><li>4. 8 years</li><li>5. D</li><li>6. B, D</li><li>7. B</li><li>8. A, D</li><li>9. A</li><li>10. D</li></ol>	<p><b>“The Rent Man”</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. C</li><li>2. D</li><li>3. C</li><li>4. 3 weeks ago</li><li>5. A</li><li>6. D</li><li>7. A, C, D</li><li>8. D</li><li>9. In her kitchen</li><li>10. A</li><li>11. B, C</li><li>12. C</li></ol>	<p><b>“Time with Grandpa”</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. C</li><li>2. 9</li><li>3. Summer</li><li>4. C</li><li>5. D</li><li>6. A</li><li>7. D</li><li>8. C</li><li>9. C</li></ol>
<p><b>“The Bus Driver”</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. A</li><li>2. The night shift</li><li>3. C</li><li>4. B</li><li>5. D</li><li>6. C</li><li>7. D</li><li>8. Friday night</li><li>9. C, D</li><li>10. D</li><li>11. D</li><li>12. A teenage boy</li><li>13. C</li><li>14. B</li><li>15. D</li></ol>	<p><b>“A Day Like No Other”</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. C</li><li>2. 25 years</li><li>3. A, B, D</li><li>4. B</li><li>5. C</li><li>6. C</li><li>7. D</li><li>8. D</li><li>9. B</li><li>10. A</li><li>11. 55</li><li>12. C</li></ol>	<p><b>“A Mystery”</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. D</li><li>2. B</li><li>3. C</li><li>4. D</li><li>5. C, D</li><li>6. D</li><li>7. A</li><li>8. D</li><li>9. D</li><li>10. A</li></ol>	<p><b>“Just One Touch”</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. D</li><li>2. B</li><li>3. A</li><li>4. C</li><li>5. B</li><li>6. To a party</li><li>7. B, C, D</li><li>8. B</li><li>9. C</li><li>10. D</li><li>11. 11</li><li>12. D</li><li>13. B</li><li>14. D</li><li>15. A, B, D</li></ol>

**Intermediate Level (continued):**

<b>“Wanga”</b>  1. C 2. A, B 3. C 4. D 5. A 6. The money kit 7. B, C, D 8. D 9. B 10. D 11. 3 days 12. B 13. C	<b>“Ana Finds an Apartment”</b>  1. D 2. A, B, C 3. In a hotel 4. D 5. C 6. A 7. A, B, D 8. A 9. B 10. C 11. Next week 12. D	<b>“Guermo’s Surprise”</b>  1. C 2. D 3. C 4. C 5. C 6. B 7. B 8. C 9. A	<b>“Canopy of Nature”</b>  1. B 2. C 3. A, C 4. C 5. C 6. D 7. C 8. C
<b>“Blizzard in Birmingham”</b>  1. A 2. A 3. C 4. B 5. D 6. A, D 7. A, C 8. B 9. C 10. D	<b>“A Christmas in March”</b>  1. D 2. C 3. A, C 4. D 5. B 6. B 7. B 8. C 9. A 10. A, B	<b>“Bail”</b>  1. B 2. B 3. D 4. C 5. B 6. C 7. C 8. C 9. B 10. D	<b>“Clean Water Act”</b>  1. D 2. A 3. A 4. B, D 5. A 6. C 7. D 8. B 9. B 10. D
<b>“BB”</b>  1. D 2. C 3. B 4. C 5. A, B	<b>“BB” (continued)</b>  6. A 7. C 8. B 9. C 10. A 11. B 12. A		