

Year 6 Reading Assessment Poetry Answer Booklet

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Questions 15 to 23 are about '*The Charge of the Light Brigade*'

15. How many soldiers '**rode**' in verse I?

1 mark

16. '*Half a league, half a league, / Half a league onward*'

These lines use the repetition of a phrase for effect.

Find and **copy** two more phrases that are repeated in verse I.

1. _____

2. _____

2 marks

Look at verse II

17. **Find** and **copy** a phrase which suggests a mistake had been made.

1 mark

18. Which word is used to rhyme with brigade?

1 mark

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19. Look at these lines:

*'Theirs not to make reply,
Theirs not to reason why,
Theirs but to do and die.'*

What does this tell you about the attitude of the soldiers?

2 marks

20. Look at these lines:

*'Boldly they rode and well,
Into the jaws of Death'*

What do you think is meant by this?

2 marks

Look at verse VI

21. **Find** and **copy** a word which suggests the poet believes we should admire the soldiers and regard them with great respect.

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

1 mark

The brigade rode back but some men had been killed.

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The soldiers all followed the order and rode forward.

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The order was given to charge forward.

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The enemy were waiting and shot at the soldiers.

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23. Look at these lines:

*'Cannon to right of them,
Cannon to left of them,
Cannon behind them
Volleyed and thundered'*

Which of these statements best summarise the situation being described? Tick **one**.

1 mark

The soldiers did not have any cannons.

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The brigade did not know about the enemy cannons.

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The soldiers were surrounded by enemy cannons.

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There was a storm with thunder and lightning.

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End of questions about *'The Charge of the Light Brigade'*

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