Dear Mr Examiner

Understanding the Text

**A.** 1. c 2. d 3. a 4. a

**B.** 1. The speaker writes her name and the date on the answer paper.

2. The speaker writes a letter to request the examiner to give her some marks for having written her name and the date.

3. The speaker says that the letter is about what is going on in the class during the examination and what it is like, to be her.

4. According to the speaker, Mandy wrote nonsense and Angela copied all her answers off her shirt cuff.

5. Miss Quinlan marks the students’ homework while the students write.

6. The speaker compliments the examiner on the questions in the examination paper.

**C.** 1. a. Here, ‘that’ refers to the speaker’s act of writing her name and date on the answer paper.

b. The speaker was supposed to give the answers to the questions asked.

c. She didn’t have anything further to say as she did not know the answers to any of the questions.

d. The speaker wrote a letter.

2. a. The speaker thought of writing a letter.

b. The letter was going to be written to the examiner.

c. The speaker thought of writing a letter because she wanted to be given marks for writing her name and the date.

d. The letter was about everything that was going on in the class and outside the school.

3. a. She refers to Miss Quinlan.

b. Here, ‘I’ refers to the speaker.

c. She was going to collect the answer papers.

d. The speaker wanted marks for writing her name and the date.

4. a. Here, ‘you’ refers to the examiner.

b. Here, ‘me’ refers to the speaker.

c. The poet means ‘marks’ when she refers to ‘something’.

d. The speaker writes these because she had been instructed to do so and that was all she knew.

**D.** 1. The speaker says that it is just another day for those who are not in the classroom because it was not a regular day for her that day. That day, she was appearing for an exam where she did not know the answer to a single question.

2. She uses the following strategies:

a. She writes her name and the date

b. She writes a letter to the examiner

I don’t think these strategies would help her in any way. No one would give her marks for handing in a blank paper. She could have studied for the exam instead of using these strategies.

3. This tells us that the speaker was an honest person.