

Reading stories told in the passé simple

French 4 (high school) · Test

Name: _____ Date: _____ Class: _____ Score: ____ / 20

Level: French 4 (high school, ACTFL Intermediate Mid) · **Standards:** ACTFL Intermediate Mid, WL 1.2 Interpretive, WL 1.3 Presentational, WL 4.1 Language Comparisons

Time: 45 minutes · 8 questions · Total: 20 points · No dictionary

Question 1 Recognize the infinitive (2 points)

Write the infinitive of each verb.

- a. il vint (1 point)
- b. elle eut (1 point)

Question 2 Form the passé simple (3 points)

Give the il/elle passé simple.

- a. tomber (1 point)
- b. réfléchir (1 point)
- c. boire (1 point)

Question 3 Imparfait or passé simple (2 points)

Complete with the correct tense.

Il _____ (neiger) quand le facteur _____ (frapper) à la porte.

- a. first blank (1 point)
- b. second blank (1 point)

Question 4 Make it plural (3 points)

Rewrite with a plural subject.

- a. Elle vit un renard. (1 point)
- b. Il dut attendre. (1 point)
- c. Elle fut en retard. (1 point)

Question 5 Correct the form (2 points)

Correct the wrong verb.

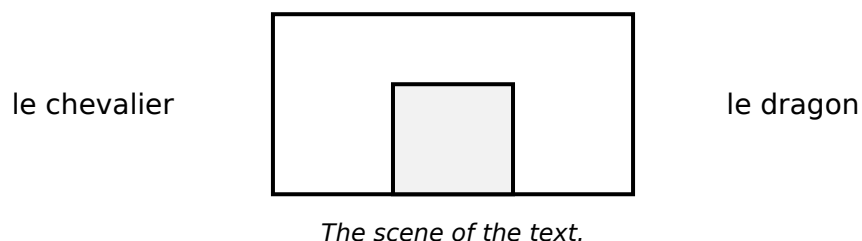
- a. Il prena son sac. (1 point)
- b. Elle venit seule. (1 point)

Question 6 Translate into French (3 points)

Translate using the passé simple: *She opened the window and saw a bird.*

- a. verb 1 (1 point)
- b. verb 2 (1 point)
- c. rest of the sentence (1 point)

Question 7 Reading a gate scene (3 points)



Le chevalier arriva devant la porte. Un dragon dormait. Il fit un pas, mais le sol trembla et le dragon se réveilla.

- a. Which verb is in the imparfait and why? (1 point)
- b. Give the infinitive of fit. (1 point)
- c. What woke the dragon? (1 point)

Question 8 Short writing (2 points)

Write two sentences in the passé simple about a character who finds a letter. Use trouver and lire.