

- ⦿ **8** The growing importance of the middle classes led to an increased demand for dictionaries.
- ⦿ **9** Johnson has become more well known since his death.
- ⦿ **10** Johnson had been planning to write a dictionary for several years.
- ⦿ **11** Johnson set up an academy to help with the writing of his *Dictionary*.
- ⦿ **12** Johnson only received payment for his *Dictionary* on its completion.
- ⦿ **13** Not all of the assistants survived to see the publication of the *Dictionary*.

- ***Questions 8-13***
- Do the following statements agree with the information given in Reading Passage 1?
- *In boxes 8-13 on your answer sheet, write*
- ***TRUE*** *if the statement agrees with the information*
- ***FALSE*** *if the statement contradicts the information*
- ***NOT GIVEN*** *if there is no information on this*

- In 1764 Dr Johnson accepted the contract to produce a dictionary. Having rented a garret, he took on a number of **4** _____, who stood at a long central desk. Johnson did not have a **5** _____ available to him, but eventually produced definitions of in excess of 40,000 words written down in 80 large notebooks. On publication, the *Dictionary* was immediately hailed in many European countries as a landmark. According to his biographer, James Boswell, Johnson's principal achievement was to bring **6** _____ to the English language. As a reward for his hard work, he was granted a **7** _____ by the king.

- *Questions 4-7*
- *Complete the summary.*
- *Choose **NO MORE THAN TWO WORDS** from the passage for each answer.*
- *Write your answers in boxes **4-7** on your answer sheet.*

- ⦿ Which **THREE** of the following statements are true of Johnson's *Dictionary*?
- ⦿ **A** It avoided all scholarly words.
B It was the only English dictionary in general use for 200 years.
- ⦿ **C** It was famous because of the large number of people involved.
- ⦿ **D** It focused mainly on language from contemporary texts.
- ⦿ **E** There was a time limit for its completion.
- ⦿ **F** It ignored work done by previous dictionary writers.
- ⦿ **G** It took into account subtleties of meaning.
- ⦿ **H** Its definitions were famous for their originality.

- ⦿ ***Questions 1-3***
- ⦿ *Choose **THREE** letters **A-H**.*
- ⦿ *Write your answers in boxes 1-3 on your answer sheet.*
- ⦿ ***NB** your answers may be given in any order.*

- ◎ 10 The *Dictionary*, together with his other writing, made Johnson famous and so well esteemed that his friends were able to prevail upon King George III to offer him a pension. From then on, he was to become the Johnson of folklore.