**I can find and copy from the text, make inferences and comment on the author’s use of language**

**Read Chapter One of *Listen to the Moon* by Michael Morpurgo and answer the following questions.**

1. Find and copy the word closest in meaning to *great in size*. (1 mark) *prodigious*
2. Why do you think Alfie’s mother both grumbled about his appetite? (1 mark) *they ate so much so she had to cook lots of food for them*
3. Why does Alfie’s mother suggest that they have *hollow legs*? (1 mark) *so there’s space for the food to fall into*
4. What is Uncle Billy’s personality like? Use evidence from the text to support your answer. (2 marks) *he likes to be on his own (he is in introvert) because it says he lives in a shed on Green Bay on his own and he likes it that way.*
5. List three things that Mary would do to the mackerel. (3 marks) *dipped in egg, rolled in oats, seasoned with salt and pepper, fried in butter.*
6. What does the author do to show that Alfie and his father like the food that Mary cooks? (1 mark) *he includes information like they are sitting at the kitchen table, their mouths are watering and they savour the sound and smell of the fish sizzling in the pan.*
7. What word is closest in meaning to *punishment*? (1 mark) *retribution*
8. Using the first paragraph of page 12, answer the following: What is Mary’s opinion on saying grace before meals? (2 marks) *she thinks it should be a meant prayer, meaning time should be taken over it – she feels that Alfie and his father rush through it.*
9. How does Alfie’s dad feel when watching his son rowing the boat? (4 marks – remember: 1 mark for a point and 1 mark for evidence supporting the point. *Envious because he no longer had the strength to row like that / proud because his son is successful at rowing.*
10. What does the word *instinctively* suggest about Alfie’s dad? (1 mark) *that he is a highly experienced fisherman and can do the job without thinking about it – it is autonomous.*