### 16th International Kangaroo Linguistic Contest 2019

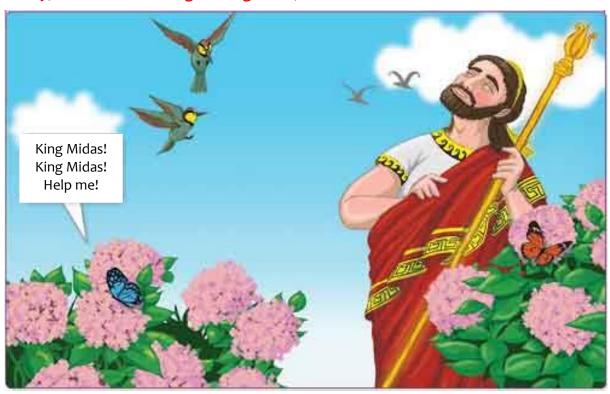
PreEcolier Level (Class 1 & 2)
Time Allowed: 60 minutes

### 3 - Point Questions

### **THE GOLDEN TOUCH**

King Midas rules the land of Greece and he is very rich. He has a lot of gold, but he's not very happy. He always wants more.

One day, while he is walking in the garden, he can hear someone call his name.



- 1. Who is Midas?
- A) a young queen
- **B)** a rich king

C) a happy king

- **D)** a beautiful princess
- E) a poor man
- 2. What does the King love the most?
- A) silver

B) diamonds

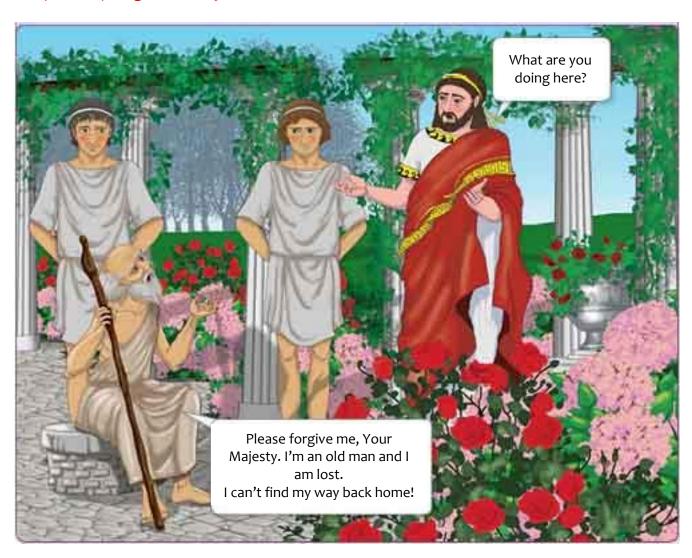
C) gold

**D)** his garden

E) Greece

Time Allowed: 60 minutes

The King goes to see who it can be. He's surprised to see Silenus, his old school teacher and friend of magician Dionysus.



- **3.** The old man is ...........
- A) Midas' old teacher
- B) Midas' old friend
- **C)** Midas' student

- D) Midas' grandfather
- E) Midas' old uncle
- 4. Why is Silenus in the garden?
- A) He wants to hide something
- C) He wants to steal something
- E) He wants to walk in the garden
- B) He can't find his way back home
- **D)** He wants to talk to the king
- 5. Look at Silenus! What is he wearing?
- **A)** long trousers

**B)** blue shirt

**C)** simple clothes

**D)** sandals

- **E)** red clothes
  - Page **2** of **11**

Time Allowed: 60 minutes

**6.** Look at the picture! There are many ..... roses in the garden.

A) pink

B) green

**C)** white

**D)** red

E) brown

Instead of sending Silenus away, King Midas invites him to stay at his palace. He gives him food and water and lets him stay at his palace for the next ten days. One day, after breakfast, King Midas decides to take Silenus back to Dionysus.



- 7. What does the King do with Silenus?
- A) He sends him away

- **B)** He invites him to his palace
- C) He makes him his servant
- **D)** He plays with him in the garden
- E) He gives him lot of gold
- 8. Look at the picture! The King has a cup in ...... hand.
- A) his

**B)** her

C) its

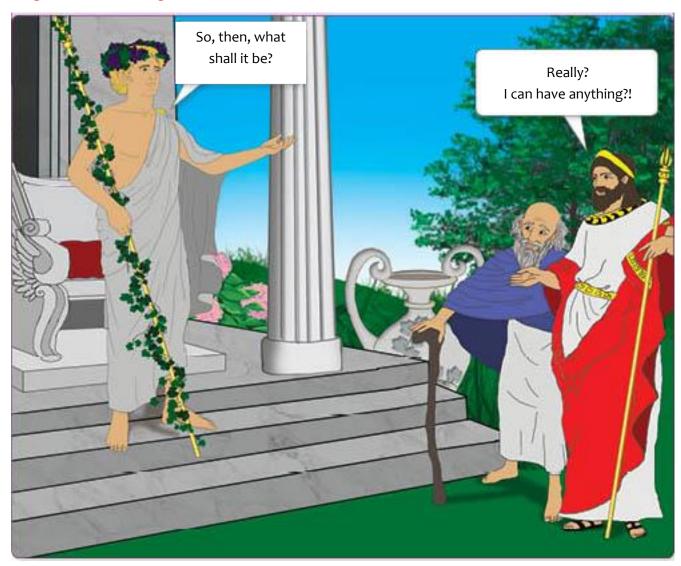
**D)** he's

**E)** their

Time Allowed: 60 minutes

### 4 - Point Questions

The magician is very pleased to see his friend alive! As a reward for his kindness, the magician decides to grant Midas a wish.



- 9. When Dionysus sees his friend safe, what does he do?
- A) He punishes the King
- **C)** He offers to reward the King
- E) He gives some gold to the King
- B) He sends the King away
- **D)** He wishes the King good luck
- 10. The magician will grant Midas ......
- A) one wish

**B)** two wishes

**C)** three wishes

**D)** four wishes

**E)** many wishes

Time Allowed: 60 minutes

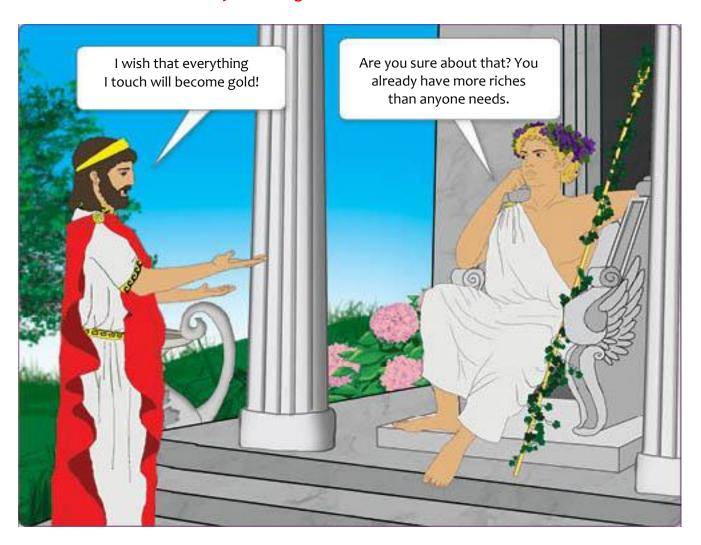
11. Match the synonyms:

1. pleased2. kind3. rewarda. niceb. prizec. happy

**A)** 1c/ 2b/ 3a **B)** 1c/ 2a/ 3b **C)** 1b/ 2a/ 3c

**D)** 1a/ 2c/ 3b **E)** 1a/ 2b/ 3c

#### But Midas knows there's only one thing he wants.



Dionysus doesn't seem very happy about it. Maybe Midas isn't very wise. Still, he keeps his promise.

- 12. What's the King's wish?
- A) To be very wise
- C) To have a lot of power
- **E)** To be very beautiful

- B) To have a lot of gold
- **D)** To remain young forever

Time Allowed: 60 minutes

13. How does Dionysus feel about the King's wish?

**A)** He's very happy

**B)** He's excited

C) He's surprised

**D)** He's amused

E) He's bored

14. Does Dionysus keep his promise?

A) No, he doesn't

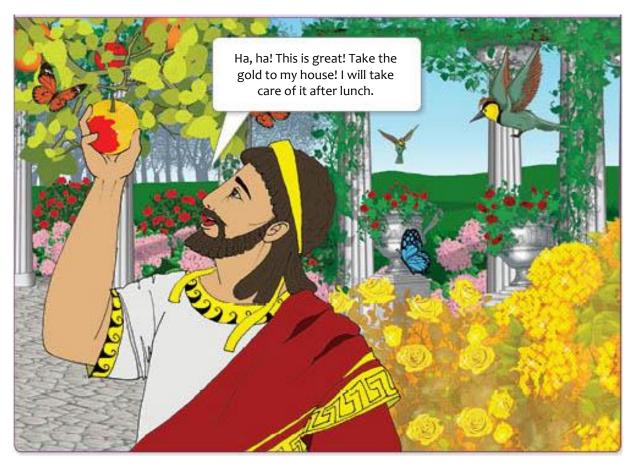
B) Yes, he is

C) Yes, he doesn't

D) No, he isn't

E) Yes, he does

Midas thanks Dionysus and goes back to his royal palace. He is so excited! His first stop is his garden. He touches a rose and it turns into gold. After that, he touches an apple. It also turns into gold. He picks up some stones and they all change into gold. He can't stop smiling!



- **15.** How does King Midas feel about his magic gift?
- A) He's sad

- B) He's very happy
- C) He's angry

**D)** He's bored

E) He's unhappy

Time Allowed: 60 minutes

**16.** Match the words to complete the sentence. You can ...... with your .......

1. touch

a. eyes

2. smell

**b.** mouth

**3.** see

c. nose

4. taste

d. hand

A) 1d/ 2b/ 3c/ 4a

**B)** 1b/ 2c/ 3d/ 4a

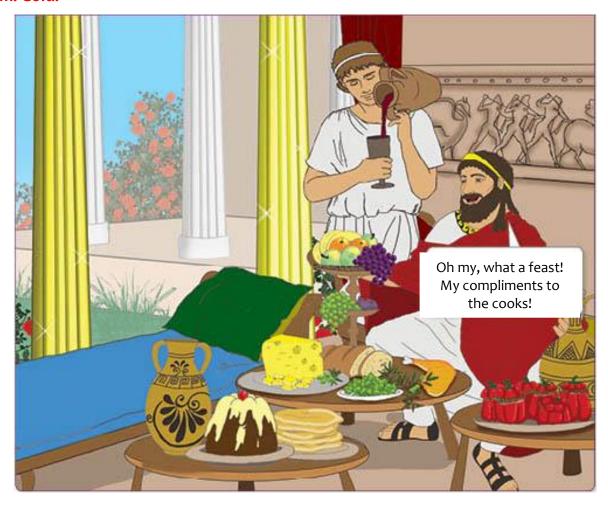
**C)** 1c/ 2b/ 3a/ 4d

**D)** 1d/ 2a/ 3c/ 4b

**E)** 1d/ 2c/ 3a/ 4b

### 5 - Point Questions

In the dining room, the King pulls up a chair and sits down at the table. The food arrives. It smells so delicious! He grabs a slice of bread and takes a huge bite. Bam! The bread turns into gold. Angry, Midas throws the bread away and grabs some chicken instead. Bam! Gold.



- 17. The King cannot eat his food because ......
- A) it tastes bad

B) it is cold

C) it's not clean

- **D)** it changes into gold
- E) it smells bad

Time Allowed: 60 minutes

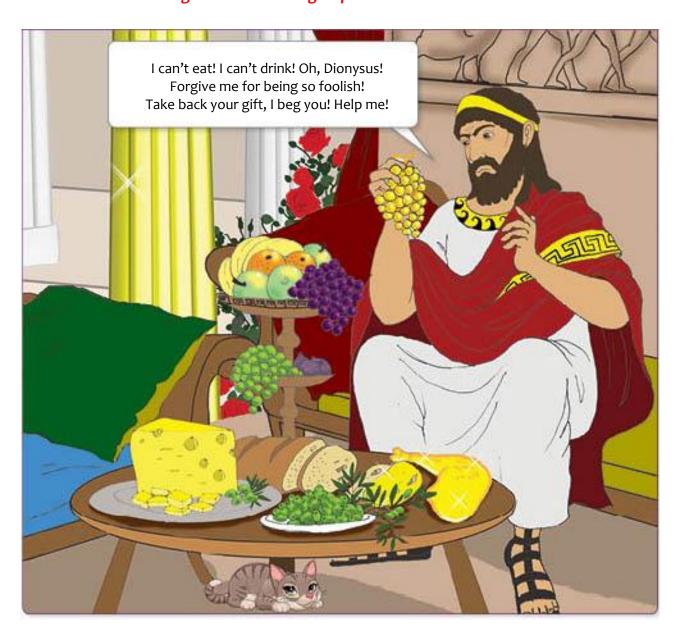
**18.** Match the opposites:

1. sit down
2. push
3. arrive
4. catch
a. leave
b. throw
c. stand up
d. pull

**A)** 1c/ 2d/ 3a/ 4b **D)** 1a/ 2b/ 3d/ 4c **B)** 1c/ 2b/ 3a/ 4d **E)** 1d/ 2b/ 3c/ 4a

C) 1d/ 2c/ 3b/ 4a

Everything turns into gold – the bread, the cheese, the fruits. Even the juice flows into his mouth like melted gold. He is starting to panic.



19. The food and the drinks ...... into gold.

A) turn

**B)** turns

**C)** is turning

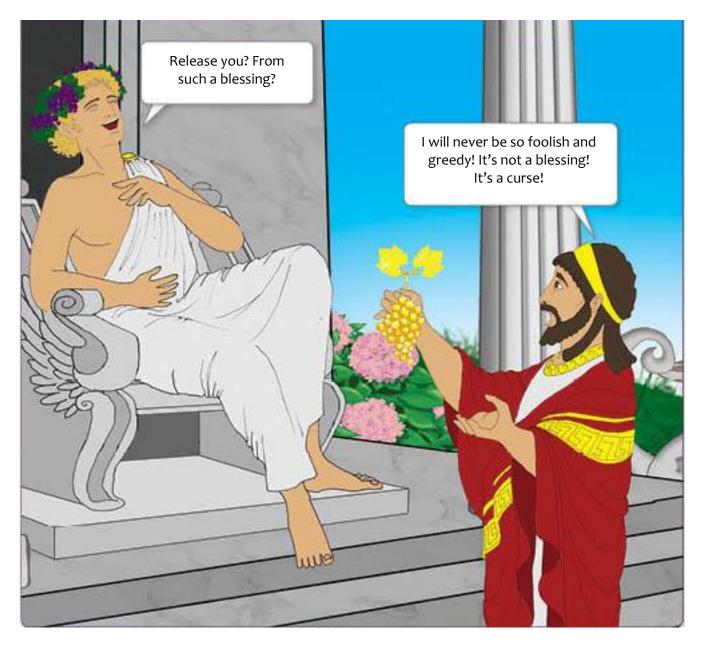
**D)** to turn

E) don't turn

Time Allowed: 60 minutes

- 20. Midas asks Dionysus ......
- A) to give him food
- C) to come to his castle
- E) to turn food into gold
- B) to take back his gift
- D) to give him more gold

Midas goes back to Dionysus. He begs him to undo his magic. Dionysus feels sorry for him and agrees to help.



- 21. Midas promises ......
- A) never to be greedy again
- C) to release Dionysus from such a blessing
- E) to be generous

- **B)** to share his gold with other people
- **D)** to throw all his gold away

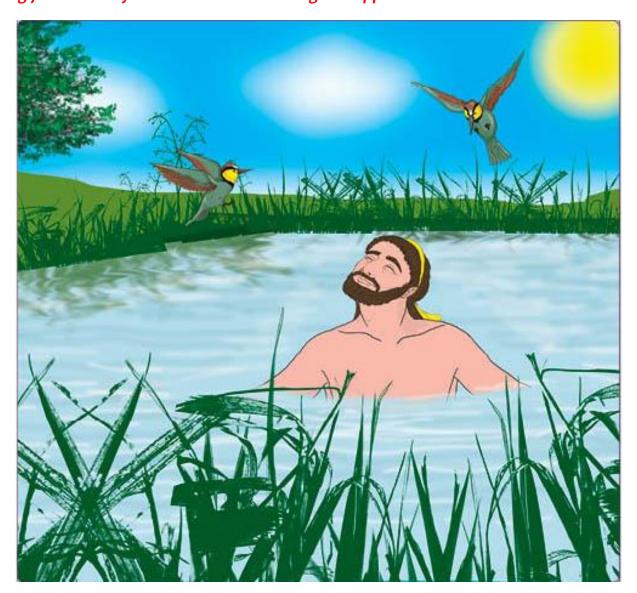
Time Allowed: 60 minutes

22. Look at the picture! What's Dionysus doing?

A) He's crying B) He's sleeping C) He's eating

**D)** He's dancing **E)** He's laughing

Dionysus sends Midas to have a bath in the Pactolus River and wash the spell away. The King follows Dionysus' instructions. The magic disappears...



People say that even now the river shines gold in the sun.

23. To wash the spell away, the King has to ..........

- **A)** throw his gold into the river
- **C)** bathe in the river
- E) help poor people in need

- B) drink water from Pactolus river
- **D)** never touch an object again

Time Allowed: 60 minutes

- **24.** What lesson does Midas learn in this story?
- **A)** Hard work is always rewarded!
- **C)** Always help people in need!
- E) Don't waste your gold!

- B) Be careful what you wish for!
- **D)** Don't waste your time!

