

Key

Yoshi in New Zealand

Reading comprehension

1. He is going to New Zealand to visit his aunt.
2. The suitcase is so full, he cannot close it properly.
3. He is not sure how brave he feels. He hopes he has a sense of adventure, but he is nervous too.
4. *Possible answer:* His lucky hat makes him feel braver and more ready to travel alone.
5. An Unaccompanied Minor is a child or young teenager travelling on a plane alone, who gets extra help from staff.
6. Four weeks.
7. *Possible answer:* Because it feels familiar and comforting. It reminds him that he has his own things with him, so he feels less alone.
8. *Possible answers:* They ask a lot of questions, they are lively, curious, friendly and talkative.
9. Wasabi peas, durian sweets and jellybeans.
10. A big storm forces the plane to change course.
11. His mouth is still burning from the wasabi peas, so he cannot taste the durian sweet.
12. The twins enjoy the ride, but Yoshi feels scared and wishes he was at home.
13. He chews gum at Changi Airport, where chewing gum is not allowed.
14. His backpack.
15. *Possible answer:* To thank her for finding his backpack and helping him.

16. Her real name is Aunt Tui. She is called Radish because she is small, likes wearing red and not everyone likes her at first.
17. Pickles is Aunt Radish's pet parrot.
18. Because she is warm, funny and honest. She gives him a big hug and makes him laugh.
19. His body clock is mixed up because of the time difference: his body feels as if it is in one time zone, his watch shows another time and his eyes feel like they are still in the day before.
20. It smells bad because of the sulphur coming up from deep inside the Earth with hot water and steam.
21. He makes jokes about the smell and compares it to eggs and socks "having a fight with a fart".
22. Rosellas are red and green parrots. Yoshi sees them in the trees outside his bedroom window.
23. *Possible answers:* Because she has lived there for a long time and she is used to it. It is the smell of her familiar home town.
24. To Te Puia, to see the Pōhutu Geyser.
25. He is so amazed he cannot find the right words to describe it.
26. At first he is very tired and does not want to do anything. Later he becomes excited and enjoys visiting Te Puia.
27. Redwoods.
28. Because there are no snakes in New Zealand.
29. When the lanterns start shining, the forest becomes magical and beautiful, and he forgets to be afraid.
30. A small corner shop.
31. Hokey Pokey Delight – vanilla ice cream with toffee and crunchy honey bits.
32. Because in British English, a *dairy* is a place where milk and other dairy products come from. Yoshi does not know that in New Zealand English, a *dairy* is a small corner shop.
33. Because it shows that his aunt trusts him.
34. *Possible answers:* Because he uses Kiwi expressions and feels comfortable in Aunt Radish's town. He is getting the hang of life in Rotorua.

35. He expected tall towers and dragons but meets a normal guide in hiking boots and a jacket.
36. He is small and round. He is wearing a Hobbit costume with soft green trousers, a waistcoat, a jacket and a cloak. He has large, hairy, fake bare feet.
37. Because everything is small in Hobbiton – and so are Yoshi and Aunt Radish. Because Yoshi and Aunt Radish are small enough to get through the door and stand up in the Hobbit hole.
38. Because New Zealand is on the Pacific Ring of Fire.
39. Warm bread, butter, jam, scones, little cakes, ginger beer, eggs, sausages and more cakes.
40. Because he sees that Henry is stuck and needs help.
41. At first, people are frightened, but soon they are chatting to their neighbours. Strangers become friends and fright turns into laughter
42. Roasted marshmallows, biscuits and chocolate.
43. The Southern Cross.
44. Because it is a special, magical moment and he wishes he could share it with them.
45. *Possible answers:* He likes Aunt Radish and feels safe with her. She also talks about Max, so Yoshi feels connected to his home and family.
46. The Māori name is Tikitere. It comes from Princess Hurutini's mother, who cried "Auē tāku tiki nei" after her daughter died in the pool. Over the years, the words were shortened to "Tikitere".
47. Because the dry mud stretches his skin and hurts.
48. Because he wants to share Māori history and traditions and keep the story alive.
49. *Possible answer:* It starts out as a fun tourist place, but by the end, it feels like a place with important stories.
50. A traditional Māori underground oven where food is slowly cooked over hot stones.
51. They chant, stamp their feet, slap their chests, stick out their tongues and open their eyes wide.
52. Some stories are shared through language and others through art like the carving that tells the story of her family.

53. Because they took silly photos in the photo booth.
54. Like strawberries and pineapple mixed together.
55. They have all turned pink because a red towel was in the wash.
56. He wants to thank Aunt Radish for everything she has done for him.
57. She does not get angry. She laughs and jokes that their pink clothes match.
58. A long bike with two seats and two sets of pedals. Two people ride it at the same time.
59. Bottle-feed the lamb.
60. He has become more confident and adventurous. He thinks it is silly to stay at home just because his clothes are pink.
61. Because it is a fun and funny moment that she wants to remember: another photo for the family album.
62. Because Yoshi added baking powder instead of sugar, so the cake rose too much and then collapsed.
63. That the kitchen is very messy.
64. He means that his own adventures became a story of their own. He was so busy having new experiences that he forgot about his books/that he didn't need to read about other people's experiences.
65. *Possible answers:* For example, he flew alone, spent his summer holiday without his parents, tried new food, helped others, learned about a new culture and grew more confident.