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1. What information does the word "*concussion*" give you in the following sentence?

*"and the concussion of storms so heavy they were tidal waves come over the islands."*

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1 mark

2. Do you think "*the endless shaking down of clear bead necklaces*" (paragraph 6) is a good description? Yes/No.

Explain your answer.

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1 mark

3. Why are these children living on Venus?

2b

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1 mark

4. Tick the statements that we know are true in the story:

The children are excited.

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Margot is older than the children.

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The children remember seeing the sun before.

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The children think the sun is like a coin.

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2 marks

5. Find and copy two different types of rainfall from the paragraph beginning:

*"It had been raining for seven years."* (paragraph 4).

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2 marks

6. Find and copy a metaphor for the sun and one for the rain in the final paragraph.

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2 marks

7. Why were the children's dreams always destroyed?

2d

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1 mark

8. The final paragraph refers to "*the stunned world*." What does this mean?

2a

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1 mark

9. Tick the **four** statements that are most useful in summarising this extract from a story.

All of the children are nine years old.

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Margot is older than the children.

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They live on Venus with their parents who are scientists.

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They have a schoolroom.

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They have come to Venus to rebuild a civilisation.

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It rains endlessly on Venus.

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2c

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1 mark