## Reading questions

1 Why do you think that the car parks have named sections? So you can find your car or coach more easily.

2 Why are plants grown in "Glasshouses?" Glass lets the light in and stops the heat from escaping.

3 What is the phrase closest in definition of "Tropical?"

Hot and humid

4 Why do you think that the glasshouses are at different temperatures? Plants from different parts of the world thrive in different temperatures.

5 Why do you think the lady chose to talk about the cocoa plant? It is something the children know about and are interested in (so are the teachers!)

6 The writer uses the same adjective to describe the journey in the first and final paragraphs. What would be the best synonym for that word?

Protracted

7 In what order to the following events happen?

- The coach is parked.
- The children visit the Palm House.
- The children see lemons growing.
- Lunch is eaten.
- The children are taught about chocolate.
- A postcard is bought.

8 Would you enjoy a trip to Kew Gardens? Use evidence from the text to support your answer.

Open question! NO could be too far away, you don't like plants or you don't like heat. YES could be you love plants, you like learning out of the classroom or it is somewhere you have never been.