1 Who is the poet talking to in this poem?

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1 mark

2 Why do you think the poet repeats 'words' five times in the first verse?

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1 mark

3 What does the speaker mean by 'my word-cage'?

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1 mark

4 The poet chose the words 'dodecahedron', 'sycamore', 'rose', 'paprika' and 'chameleon' because (ring **one**):

they were hard to spell

she liked the sound of them

they reminded her of pelicans

they describe different kinds of birds.

1 mark

5 Write a definition for each of these favourite words on the line next to it. Use a dictionary to help you.

dodecahedron: _____

sycamore: _____

rose: _____

paprika: _____

chameleon: _____

5 marks

6 Give **two** reasons why a poem about a sparrow would have worked less well than this poem about a pelican.

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2 marks

7 Tomasz said he thought the poem was mainly about birds. Molly said she thought it was mainly about words. Who do you agree with and why?

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1 mark

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