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The Text
1 Angela and Graham, both, have been married for 10 years. They have three sons, aged six, seven and eight. Graham is a manager in a clothes company, while Angela works parttime as a music teacher at a local school.
2 For about a year, Angela has become unhappy about Graham's behaviour with the children. She thinks that he doesn't spend much time with them. He usually works late every evening and rarely returns before 8 pm . By then, the children are already in bed and he doesn't see them at all.
3 Graham spends Saturday with his friends. He usually plays squash or tennis with them. The only day that he spend with the children is. He takes them to the zoo or to parks where they play sports. He also buys them their favourite cakes and all the things they like to eat. Sunday; Graham and Angela usually argue. Angela thinks that Graham's relationship with the boys isn't a good one but Graham doesn't agree. He says
Adapted from "SHE"(Magazine) nov. 1999
I/Reading Comprehension (7points)
1/complete the following table with the appropriate information from the text: Age, occupation and Place of Work

- Angela
- Graham

Choose the correct alternative. /2
a- Angela has been unhappy for:
Many years
Five years
Almost one year
b- Angela wants her husband
To spend more time with their children.
Not to spend any time with their children.
To see their children at 8 pm every evening
c- Graham often returns home
Before 8 pm
After 8 pm
Before the children go bed
3/ Choose the alternative that best completes the text
Graham doesn't agree. He says...
a- I love my children and my relationships with them is fine
b- You're right, Angela. I promise to see the children more often
c- Ok. Ok. I agree. But I'm busy all day.
4/What do the words underlined in the text refer to?
a- Them (paragraph 2) refers to
b- One (paragraph 3) refers to

5/ Say whether the following statements are true or false a- Graham Works five days a week
b- Graham spends Saturday and Sunday with his children.

## II/LANGUAGE (8)

1/choose the correct alternative (a, b or c)
Emna Woodhouse was pretty and rich. She was the younger (a- son b- daughter - c- brother ) of Mr. woodhouse The family lived (a. in -b. at -c. on) a large, beautiful house called hartfield in highbury, a village (a. far away - b. next - c. near ) to London
Emna's mother (a. death - b. died - c. dead) when Emna was vet young so she felt (a. lonely b. only - c. own). Emna was also a very clever girl. She believed she (a. could- b.can - c.will) change people's lives
2/ Fill in the blanks with 6 words from the list. (there are 2 extra word)
Questions - difficult - of - trendy - take - on - meets - uniform
Mr. Johnson is a guard at the Tower of London. He looks very smart in his well-know
$\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$. , and of course, tourists............... photo of him. He stands qt the door The tower and he answers the visitors' He has a Job, but he likes it because he $\qquad$ people from all over the world.
3 / complete the interview with the right question or answer from the list on the right. There are two extra answers
Do not write just put the corresponding letters (a, b, c, d, e, f) in the box below the interview Interview
Steve:
Sam : oh ! that's an casy question. Late ! Never before 10 o'clock.
Steve: how often do you train ?
Sam :
(2)

Steve : and how many hours do you train every day?
Sam : .(3)
Steve : what do you do in your free time *
Sam :
List
a. About 4 hours a day. It's hard work
b. How old are you
C. What time does your day start ?
d. I drive my sports car and visit my friends
e. I hate flying.
f. Five days a week

Write your answers here
$1=$ $\qquad$ $2=$ $3=$ $4=$

## III. WRITING

Your parents want to buy a new house, but they cannot decide whether to live in the city or in countryside
What do you prefer ? Give your reasons. (about 8 lines)
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The text
«Marianne, you’re no good!" said her father. He was very angry.
"Oh John don't talk like that" said Marianne's mother, Mrs Lee. "She's our daughters."
"I know that she’s our daughters," Mrs lee replied we’ve looked after her for eighteen years, haven't we ?
"Of course," Mrs. Lee said.
"well, what has she done for us in the eighteen years ?" asked Mr Lee.
"Girl usually go out to work, or help their mother sat home. But not Marianne! Has she cooked one dinner for us in her life? Does she wash the clothes for us ?
Dos she clean the house ? never"
"But she's very clever girl" said Mr. Lee "she paints beautiful pictures". you mustn't say she's no good!"
"what can we do with pictures ?" asked mrs Lee. We can't eat pictures. We haven't got enough money. We can't Marianne at home any longer. She must go out to work or find a husband!".
"There isn't any work in this place " Marianne said quietly. "I don't want a husband. I only want to be alone and to paint pictures!.
"But your father's right" her mother said kindly." we can keep you at home any longer. many boys want to marry you. why don't you marry Paul? marry? He loves you".
"He is stupid" shouted Marianne. She got angry, took her bug and ran out of the house.
I Reading comprehension
Complete with the information from the text ( $0.5 * 4=2$ )
Marianne's age 18
Things Marianne never did
A
B
C
Marianne's hobbies
Take the correct answer ( $0.5^{*} 3=1.5$ )
Marianne's fathers was ...
a (.................) pleased with her
b (..................) angry with her
c (..................) indifferent to her
Marianne decided to
a (.................) leave the house.
b (.................) marry Paul
c (.................) help her mother at home
Take the correct answer
Statement
John is Marianne's father true or false

Marianne could not find a job where she lived
Marianne's mother was kind to her
Nobody wanted to marry Marianne.
Take the correct function
"of course" line 6 expresses
a(..................).disagreeing
$\mathrm{b}(. . . . . . . . . . . . . .$.$) agreeing$
c(..................)Order

## II Language

Fill in the blanks with the appropriate word from the box
Wild - faster - more - remember - largest - tail - witness - that
Tigers are magnificent animals. They are the ................. meat eating animals
Live on land they are $\qquad$ animals with a long they are
Wonderful to watch nature that in the zoo ............... that they are very dangerous too.
Put the right alternatives
Marry : hello, Jack .?
a) haw are you
b) haw old are you
c) who are you.

Jack : hello, Marry I am fine thanks. I haven't seen you for years.
You're the same girl I knew 5 years ago.
Marry: Oh ! really?
A have changed
$B$ haven't changed
C are different
Jack
A Yes it's true
B No its wrng
C No I'm joking
Marry: thank you, Jack
Jack: and you're much nicer.
Marry: oh! Thank you, jack.
Jack: ?
A where you going?
B are you cold?
C shall we sit for sit for a drink?
Marry: sorry, Jack
Jack: that's all right
A I 'am in a hurry
B I am thirsty
C: I’d love to
Put the right alternatives
Mrs Scott has a part- time job.(he, she, it) works as a school crossing guard. Her job is to stop cars, trucks and buses to let school children (to cross _ crossing - cross) the street safety. she (dresses - wears -takes) a police uniform and has stop sign and a whistle. Mrs Scott likes her job. She enjoy (helping - helps - to help ) children. She want to protect (they -there -them).

III Writing

You spend a few days with your friend and come back home. when you arrived your mother noticed that you were very unhappy and asked you what happened.
Tell her what happened to your friend's little brother.
Use the information
Place at home
Time last Sunday - 3 pm
Casualty your friend's little brother -4 years old.
Cause playing in the balcony-slipped off -fell on the pavement
Injury balty heart - broken arm and leg.
Result stay in the hospital - parents worried
last Sunday at about-3 pm
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## THE TEXT

"I'm your wife, not your housekeeper!"

1. Christine met Terry in 1991 when she was just divorced from her first husband. She was a single mum to Sarah, then 15, Robert, 13, and Laura) 9.
"He moved in with us and, although he worked hard, as a mechanic, he was more than willing to do his fair share of housework", she recalls. "I had a job and we shared the cooking, cleaning and childcare. I fell lucky to have such a modem man".
2. A year after -they- married, in January 1992, Christine gave up her job as a classroom assistant and became a full-time housewife.
"Suddenly, Terry stopped putting his dirty dishes in the sink... He also refused to help with the shopping and made unreasonable demands. He wanted tea every hour and his dinner at six sharp. He wouldn't even let me vacuum because he hated the noise," says Christine.
3. "At first I thought he was tired but it soon became clear he was just being lazy. I was horrified when he told me that housework was women's work, that he did his job during the day and didn't expect to play housemaid at home," she says.
4. Terry, who's 39, says: "I love Christine but nothing could make me change again. It's her job to stay at home and look after the kids. Some might say l have antiquated ideas - but l prefer to call -them- traditional."
Adapted from Woman 5 February 2001

## I- READING COMPREHENSION (7 marks)

1) Complete the table with information from the text ( 0.5 ( $\mathrm{I}=2$ marks)

Terry: age... occupation...
Christine: occupation in the past... occupation now...
2) Choose the correct alternative ( 0.5 (2 = 1 mark)
a) When Christine met Terry, she was living:

- with her first husband.
- $\quad$ with her three children.
- with her parents.
b) Christine stopped doing her first job:
- when she was divorced from her first husband.
- after she married Terry.
- before she married Terry.

3) Complete the following statements with details from the text. (0,5 (4 =2 marks)
a) Christine is complaining, about Terry because he..., he... and he...
b) According to Terry, a woman's place is at home... after her children and doing housework.
4) Choose the right alternative (0.5 (2 = l mark)
a) "He -moved in- with us" (paragraph l) means:

- $\quad$ he helped us to find a new house.
- he started sharing housework with us.
- $\quad$ he started living with us in the same house.
b) "Some might say I have -antiquated- ideas" (paragraph 4) means: -interesting ordinary -not modern

5) What do the under1inecl words refer to? (0.5 (2 =l mark)
a. They (paragraph 2)
b. Them (paragraph 4)

II- LANGUAGE (8 marks)

1) Fill in the blanks with words from the box: ( 0.5 ( $6=3$ marks) (Be careful! There are 2 extra words).
dressed -before -however -crazy -after -mad -on -designers
Tracy is a teenager. She's fashion-... When she goes to parties and ceremonies, she wears clothes made by famous... She spends a lot of money... clothes. ..., she also likes pulling on jeans, trainers, sweatshirts and baseball caps. She thinks it's a great relief... being... up all day.
2) Match the sentence parts in Column A with the appropriate ones in Column B. (0.5 (4 $=2$ marks) (Be careful! There is an extra sentence pert in Column B)
Column A
1. Mrs Peterson was worried
2. She took her
3. He said
4. He gave her some medicine

Column B
a. to the family doctor.
b. she had the flu.
c. and she recovered in a few days.
d. about her daughter's health.
e. he was coughing.
3) Fill in the blanks with the right alternative from the lists. ( 0.5 ( $6=3$ marks)

Of all my relatives, 1 like my aunt Emily the best. She's my mother's youngest (1)... (niece sister -friend). She has never (2)... (married -marry -marries) and lives alone in a small village near Bath. She likes (3)... (read -reading -reads) and gardening, and she still goes for long walks over the hills. She's a very (4)... (active -lazy -inactive) person. She's extremely generous, but not very tolerant with people (5)... (when -which -who) don't agree (6)... (of with -on) her.

## III- WRITING (5 marks)

Your school has a monthly magazine. Students write articles for the magazine, and the best ones are published.
The topic for this month is going to be "keeping fit".
Write a short article for the school magazine, suggesting ways that will help people keep fit and healthy.

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## THE TEXT

1. We were driving from Switzerland toward the lovely Italian city of Verona. Just outside the city two boys stopped us. They were selling strawberries that looked delicious. "Don't buy them," our driver said. "You find better strawberries in Verona." His face showed that -he- did not like their appearance. It was true that their clothes were untidy and poor. But as we looked at these two slim children, we wanted to know more about them.
2. My friend spoke to the boys and found that they were brothers. Nicola was 13; Jacopo, the smaller one, was almost 12. We bought their biggest basket of strawberries and then continued toward Verona.
3. The next morning, coming out of our hotel, we saw the two boys again. They were busy selling fruit and newspapers, shining shoes and guiding people through Verona.
4. One night I saw them at the windy bus-station. They looked tired. "Why aren't you at home in bed?" I asked. Nicola looked at me. "We are waiting for the last bus, he said. "We will sell all our newspapers when -it- comes," he continued. It was almost midnight. Poor kids! They were living in the streets.
Adapted from: Two Gentlemen of Verona by A. J. Cronin
I- READING COMPREHENSION: (7 marks)
1) Choose the proper alternative ( 0.5 mark)

The text is about two: a) silly boys. b) street boys. c. rich boys.
2) Read paragraph 1 and find words that mean: (0.5(2= I mark)
a) thin b) the way they looked.
3) The narrator met the boys 3 times. Complete the table with the proper information about the places where he met them and the jobs they were doing then. ( 0.5 ( $5=2.5$ marks)
The first time: Places where they met: (a)... The jobs the boys were doing: (b)...
The second time: Places where they met: (c)... The jobs the boys were doing: (d) Selling fruit arid newspapers, shining shoes and guiding people.
The third time: Places where they met: (e)... The jobs the boys were doing: (f)...
4) Answer the following questions. (0.5(4 =2 marks)
a. Did the narrator buy the strawberries from the boys?
b. Did the boys go to bed early?
c. Was the narrator travelling alone?
d. When did the last bus arrive at the station?
5) What do the undefined words in the text refer to? ( $0.5(2=1$ mark $)$
he (paragraph I) -it (paragraph 4)
II- Language: (8 marks)

1) Choose the correct alternatives to complete the paragraph ( 0.5 ( $6=3$ marks)

It was late. David was driving back home from work. He was tired; so he drove slowly (a) (carelessly -fast -carefully). When he got to the crossroads, the traffic (b) (lights -signs cars) were red; so he stopped and waited. When they turned green, he drove on. As he tried to
cross the road, another car came (c) (at -in -from) the opposite direction and (d) (running run -ran) into his car. David (e) (jumped -jump -jumps) out of his car and looked at damages. His headlights were smashed and so (f) (was -were -are) those of the other car, but no one was hurt.
2) Match the sentence parts in column $A$ with those in column $B$ to get a coherent paragraph. There is an extra part in column B. The parts in column A are in the correct order. Number 1 is an example. (0.5 ( $4=2$ marks)
Column A

1) Deborah Jenkins worked for
2) Then, she heard about an interesting job
3) She applied for the job and had to
4) It was a great success because she knew
5) She was happy with her new job but Columns B
a) as a T.V reporter in Chicago.
b) she was frightened and nervous.
c) go there for an interview.
d) ten years as a reporter for "the Houston Times" newspaper.
c) went there for an interview.
f) a lot about reporting the news and talked well.
6) fill in the blanks with 6 words from the box. (0.5 (6 = 3 marks)
tail -neck -tall -taller -leaves -can -trees -long
Giraffes arc the tallest animals on Earth. A large adult giraffe (a)... be up to 6 meters (b)... Thanks to its (c)... legs and (d)... it can cat the (e)... from the tops of (f)...

## III- WRITING (5 marks)

Peter's family have just moved from the country to a big town. Peter didn't like it, so he wrote his friend Tony a letter to complain about life in town. Write Peters letter.
The following hints may help you: noisy, polluted, too many people, too many cars, no friends, expensive.

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## THE TEXT

1. Things have never been the same since our daughter Sophia, who's 13 , discovered the Back Street Boys. They have taken control or our life, our house and our daughter. At first, she just read their life story in magazines, collected their photos and walked around happily attached to her personal CD player.
2. Then, last November, l got a phone call at work. "Mum! -They-'re playing a concert at Wembley Arena! Can 1 go with my friend Rebeeca?" I wanted to please her, so I agreed. But it was only later that 1 started to worry. Terrible scenes passed quickly through my mind. 1 imagined my little girl in a huge crowd of' strong fans. I worried what would happen if she got separated from -her friend-. I feared she wouldn't get up for school the next day. And I was terrified the noise might damage her cars. Perhaps I should accompany them, I wondered. 3. So, before I booked tickets, I phoned some friends and asked about their daughters, first concert experience. All advised me to wait for her outside, in a cafe at Wembley. When the ticket finally arrived she felt so excited. I understand her reasons although it's twenty years since I went to a concert myself.
3. To be honest, now the Boys, concert is so near, I wish I could go myself. I know the words of most of their songs, thanks to my daughter singing along and the hand looks decent after all.
Adopted from Women, March 9, 1998
I- READJNG COMPREHENSION (7 marks)
1) Which is the best title? Choose the right box. ( 0.5 mark)
a) Sophia Joins a Pop Group.
b) She's Going to her First Concert.
c) My Mother Goes to Wembley.
2) Complete the table with the proper information from the text. ( 0.5 ( $3=1.5$ marks)

Name: Sophia
Age: ...
Her friends: ...
Her favourite Pop band: ...
3) Are the following statements true or false? ( 0.5 ( $5=2.5$ marks)
a) Sophia's life changed when she discovered the Back Street Boys.
b) Her mother refused to let her go to the concert.
c) Her mother has never been to a concert before.
d) Her mother didn't like the Back Street Boys.
e) Sophia wanted to go to the concert with her friend.
4) Complete the paragraph with words from paragraphs 2 et 3 ( 0.5 ( $3=1.5$ marks)

Sophia's a Back Street Boys' fan. When they came to London, she wanted to go to their (a) ... at Wembley Arena. Her mother (b) ... about her so she (c) ... some friends to ask for advice.
5) What do the underlined words in paragraph 2 refer to? ( 0.5 ( $2=1 \mathrm{mark}$ )
a) They b) her friend

II- Language (8 marks)

1) Fill in the blanks with 6 words from the box. ( 0.5 ( $6=3$ marks)
cagiest -approve -after -ironing -think -help -others -parents.
It is pleasant to see parents and children share the responsibility of the house. Women who usually look (a)... kids and do housework need some (b)... Many husbands don’t mind giving a hand but (c)... would never like to do the (d)... routines like the washing-up or the (e)...They (f)... that housework is a woman's job.
2) Fill in the blanks with the correct alternatives. ( 0.5 ( $6=3$ narks)

Duve and Jenny have known each other for many years. They (a) (have been -are -were)
neighbors since they were children. They grew up together, (b) (left -went -studied) to school together and visited each other almost every day. Now, Dave (c) (is leaving -left -leave) because he (d) (applied -found -asked) a new job in another city. Jenny have been an important part of each other's lives; (e) (but -so -until) it's difficult to say goodbye. Dave has promised to call Jenny (f) (rarely -regularly -only).
3) Match the sentence parts in Column A with those in Column B to get a coherent paragraph.
There is one extra part in Column B. The parts in Column A are in the correct order. Write your answers in the space provided. Number 4 is an example. (0.5(4 = 2 marks)
Column A

1. Riding a motorcycle is sometimes more dangerous
2. Last right, the hospital received
3. While he was riding his motorcycle on a country road,
4. He smashed into a tree and fell
5. Fortunately, he wasn't badly hurt;

Column B
a) he was hit by a lorry.
b) Than driving a car.
c) He just broke his left leg.
d) a new casualty, Laurel Johnson.
e) He'd be handicapped forever.
f) Off his motorcycle 10 yards away.

III- Writing (5 marks)
In his last letter, your English penfriend Paul told you about the clothes people wear in England. He asked you to describe the clothes people wear in Tunisia. Write Paul a letter and tell him what Tunisians wear on different occasions (wedding -Aid...). The following hints may help you.
Traditional -fashionable -trendy -expensive -cheap -smart -designer clothes -long -short ready -made.

## THE TEXT

1- Everyone knows Rowan Atkinson, or Mr. Bean. He is the youngest of three boys born into a wealthy farming family in the north-east of England.
2- When he was at school, Rowan Atkinson was the quiet child at the back of the class who participated very little. He wasn't good at sport and he certainly wasn't popular. The other children teased him about his face and eyes. Then, one day after games, he stood up in the changing-room and began imitating one of the teachers. "I .remember making them laugh," says Atkinson. " I discovered I could do something well. After that, performing became very important to me. It was the thing I could do. It gave me a role within the school."
3- Atkinson is now 48. He is regarded as one of the most inventive and talented comics of his time. He starred in the series of Blackadder and in Mr. Bean.
4- 'The reason I enjoy playing Mr. Bean so much is because you can say and do things that you would never be able to do in your normal life. Besides, people don't enjoy me as me. They enjoy me as Mr. Bean. They enjoy me as Blackadder." 5- Rowan Atkinson has a great passion for cars. Today, he has a number of fast, expensive cars at his home.
The Mail 011 Suttday (Adapted) March 23, 2003.
I- READING COMPREHENSION (7 marks)
1- Complete the answers to the 4 questions below. ( $0.5 \times 4=2$ marks)
a- What could Rowan do very well at school?
He could
b- How did his classmates react when he imitated one of his teachers?
They
c- Does Rowan love cars?
d- Is Rowan a boring comic?
2- Are the statements true or false? Answer by True or False. ( $0.5 \times 6=3$ marks)
a - Rowan Atkinson has 2 brothers.
b - Rowan Atkinson doesn't like playing Mr Bean.
c - At school Rowan Atkinson often participated in the lessons.
d - Rowan's favourite subject was sport and games.
e-Rowan is American.
f - Rowan loves cars.
3 - What do the sentences mean? Choose the proper alternative ( $0.5 \times 2=1$ mark)

* "It gave me a role within the school." means:
a- I played roles in school plays.
b- I learned acting at school.
c- It made me feel part of the children in my school.
* "People don't enjoy me as me. They enjoy me as Mr Bean." means:
a- People don't like my person. They like the character I play.
b- People do not like the way I play Mr Bean.
c- People like Mr Bean and hate Blackadder.

4. What do the underlined words in paragraph 2 refer to ? ( $0.5 \times 2=1 \mathrm{mark}$ )
a- (them) refers to
b- (It) refers to

## II. LANGUAGE (8 marks)

1- Complete the letter with five words from the box. ( $0.5 \times 5=2.5$ marks):
His, until, worried, him, tired, the.
Dear Kevin,
I am writing to ask you for advice. Barbara and I are getting very (a) .......... about our son, Richard. He stays out very late at night. In the morning, he is too (b) .............. to go to school. Last night he was out (c) ............. 1.00 a.m. We have tried not to give (d) $\qquad$ pocket money, but it is no good. Richard believes we want to force him to obey us. In fact, we are only concerned about (e) $\qquad$ future.
2- Match the sentence parts in Column A with those in Column B to get a coherent paragraph. There is one extra part in Column B. The parts in Column A are in the correct order. Write your answers in the space provided. ( $0.5 \times 6=3$ marks)
Column A
(1) My mum and dad give me
(2) Most of my friends get more
(3) I buy sweets and ice cream, but mum
(4) I don't save
(5) Sometimes, I get money for
(6) I save this money because

Column B
(a) $£ 5$ a week pocket money.
(b) my pocket money.
(c) my birthday or on Aid day.
(d) than I do, but that's O.K.
(e) I want to buy a new bike.
(f) doesn't want to give me more.
(g) pays for me when I go to the cinema.
3. Fill in the blanks with the right options. ( $0.5 \times 5=2.5$ marks)

Lynda Jones left school 13 years ago to start a new career as a secretary. Two years later, however, she realised that she did not like being in an office. (a) .............., she left and started looking for a different job.
One day, she (b) ............ an advertisement in the newspaper. A delivery company was
looking for a driver. She (c) ......................... for the job and took (d) ............... "Driving a
big vehicle and lifting heavy boxes was hard work. Yet, I (e) .................. it very much".
(a) However, So , Yet
(b) saw, wrote, made.
(c) liked, paid, applied
(d) it, her, them
(e) enjoyed, hated, did

III- Writing (5 marks)
You are the editor of your school magazine and you received the following letter from one of the students in your school.
Answer he letter. Give the student the proper advice.
I'm 16 years old and I spend most of my time at home reading, surfing the net or doing some house chores. My parents are very pleased, but I'm worried about my relationship with my friends. They always tease me and say that I'm a bore and that I look older than my age. What shall I do?
Yours,
A Reader

Dear Reader,
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## I- READING COMPREHENSION (7 marks)

Read the text and answer the questions

1. Susan Potts, 44, is the only child in her family. When she started her married life, she had bigger ideas. With the arrival of Elias recently, their 14th child, -she- and her husband Michael have family decided their family is complete.
2. Four years ago, Mr and Mrs Potts bought two houses which were knocked into one to accommodate the family. And to enable them to have their first family holiday for seven years, they have just replaced their car with a minibus.
3. Mrs Potts does the washing in a specialist machine, then spends 15 hours a week ironing. "We always planned to have a big family," said Mrs Potts. "I am an only child and think a large family is important. But I think we have enough now". She said: "-They- are very well-behaved. There is a lot of noise, though. The great thing is the kids are never lonely. They spend so much time playing that they rarely watch television". Mr Potts, 52, a bus driver, who admits occasionally getting his children's names confused, said: "There's never a dull moment in our house".
The Daily Mail, May 8, 2002.
Comprehension questions
1) Choose the correct alternative ( 0.5 mark)

The text is about:
a) a poor family
b) a small family
c) a large family
2) Are the following statements true or false ? (0.5 (5 = 2.5)
a) Mr and Mrs Potts lived in a smaller house.
b) They have gone on holidays quite regularly.
c) Mrs Potts doesn't want to have more children.
d) Mr Potts knows the names of all his children.
e) The children are often messy and naughty.
3) Write the right alternative ( 0.5 ( $3=1.5$ marks)
a) "occasionally" (paragraph 3) almost means: always -never -sometimes.
b) "dull" (paragraph 3) means: exciting -boring -happy.
c) They spend so much playing that rarely watch TV" (paragraph 3) almost means: they always watch TV -they always play -the never play.
4) What do the underlined words refer to. (0.5 (2 = 1 mark)
a) $\quad$ She (paragraph 1)
b) They (paragraph 3)
5) Circle the words that best complete the following sentences. (0.5 ( $3=1.5$ marks)

Susan has got (many brothers and sisters -no brothers or sisters -fourteen brothers and sisters). When Elias, her (oldest -second -youngest) child, was born, she decided their family was complete. Mr and Mrs Potts bought a minibus for their holidays because it’s (bigger faster -cheaper).

II- Language (8 marks)

1) Fill in the blanks with six words from the list: what -himself -suffered -protect -hit for - when.
Peter, 9, didn't think of his own safety when he saw a big lorry running toward his 5-year-old friend, Jack. He threw (a)... between his friend and the oncoming lorry. He used his body to (b)... his friend. Both boys were thrown dozens of meters as the lorry (c)... them. But brave Peter saved Jack’s life.
Peter (d)... severe head injuries. He was unconscious (e)... almost a week in hospital. Now, he's recovering at home. His family is proud of (f)... he did.
2) Fill in the blanks the right options. ( $0.5(5=2.5$ marks $)$

One day, my son said to me: "Mum, don't smoke. You (a) (are dying -will die -must die) of cancer". "Yes, I heard myself say. My mother died of breast cancer when she was 32 and I
was 8. I (b) (forgot -knew -saw)... the pain of losing your mother (c) (in -on -at)... a young age, and I didn't want my children to suffer like that.
Amazingly, I haven't had a cigarette for months now and I feelso much better. The money I
(d) (cam -lose -waste)... is going to far better use. But(e) ( the more -the most -the least)... important thing is that I want to be around for my kids for as long as possible.
3) Match the sentence parts in Column $A$ with those in Column $B$ to get a coherent paragraph. There is one extra part in Column B . The parts in in Column A are in the correct order. (0.5 (5 = 2.5 marks)
Column A

1) Margaret is married and
2) She has bee, working as
3) She works 7 days a week
4) The work she does is not very hard
5) She goes to bed for 3 or 4 hours and

Column B
a) but not pleasant at all.
b) and she enjoys it.
c) a cleaner for the last seven years.
d) for only 40 pounds.
e) has two small children.
f) Sometimes, she does not sleep at all.

III- Writing (5 marks)
On Mother's Day, your mother was not at home. She had to visit her sick father. So, you decided to write her a few lines on the card you bought for her. What did you tell her? Write about 8 lines to answer the question.
The following hints may help you.
Kind -generous -loving -cheerful -helpful -patient -understanding.

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## I. READING COMPREHENSION

Read the text and answer the questions.
1- Since my father died, everything has changed. We were lonely and sad. There was no laughter in our home anymore.
2- Although my mother was depressed, she was always there for me. She was a wonderful, supportive and generous woman. She wanted me to work hard and become a doctor.
3- Once, my teacher asked me to obtain my parents' signature on the maths test paper. I got a $95 \%$ score. I went home and showed my mother the test paper. Holding the paper and checking the score, she said : "you did a good job, John!". I said "Mum, the teacher wants your signature". She said after a moment of silence : "But I can't sign !".
4- It never occurred to me that Mum was not able to write even her own name.I looked at her hands. They were good at almost everything, but not writing,
5- I held her hands and said: "Mum, I'll teach you how to write !" She was surprised.
Her eyes brightened and she said: "Good, teach me !" It only took fifteen minutes and Mum was already writing her name. I gave her the test paper and she wrote her name. We looked at the test paper and smiled. Ever since, after doing my homework, I taught Mum some new words. We brought back laughter and happiness to our home.
Adapted from the Internet.
Support Education in Rural Chine
Program Series.
Comprehension Questions:
1- Are the following statements true or false ? ( $0.5 \times 4=2$ marks)
Statements
a. The mother didn't care about her son's school results.
b. John's school results were bad.
c. The mother refused to learn how to write.
d. It was easy for John to teach his mother.

2- Complete the following sentence with words from the text. ( $0.5 \times 2=1 \mathrm{mark}$ )
The son decided to (a) ............ his mother how to write when he discovered that she was unable to (b) ............ his test paper.
3 - Find in paragraph 3 two words that nearly mean: ( $0.5 \times 2=1$ mark)
a. result :
b. get :

4- Circle two adjectives that best describe the mother. ( $0.5 \times 2-=1$ mark)
careless - helpful - aggressive - kind - severe.
5- What do the underlined words in the text refer to?. ( $0.5 \times 2=1$ mark)
a. she (paragraph 3 ) refers to
b. They (paragraph 4) refers to

## II. LANGUAGE (8 marks)

1- Complete the following paragraph with six words from the box. ( $0.5 \times 6=3$ marks) newest - of - could - from - think - protect - waste - landfills.
We live in a throw-away society. On an individual level, we must do our own small part to (a) (a). people are too lazy or simply don't (b) $\qquad$ about the fact that something they are throwing away (c) ............... be used by someone else. There may be some perfectly good and useful things in the (d) .................... . As parents, our role is to teach the next generations that it is not necessary to have the (e) ................. model of everything, and to tell them that happiness does not always come (f) .............. a store.
2- Match the sentence parts in Column A with those in Column B to get a coherent paragraph. There is one extra part in Column B .The parts in Column A are in the correct order. Write your answers in the space provided. ( $0.5 \times 4=2$ marks)

## Column A

(1) Cora Slade who spent 44 years working
(2) She gave her life to her profession
(3) Now that it is her turn to ask for help,
(4) She thinks that it is unfair that people

Column B
(a) there is no one to help her
(b) forget about you when you get old
(c) doesn't get on well with her parents
(d) without getting anything in return. ,
(e) is now 74 years old.
$1+$ $\qquad$ - $\qquad$ - $3+$ $\qquad$ - $4+$ $\qquad$
3 - Fill in the blanks with the right options. ( $0.5 \times 6=3$ marks)
Kayle had to move to another school after her first school failed to protect her from aggression.
(a)

Kayle had serious stomach problems, a girl at her school (b) her in the stomach. The school (c) ................. to consider this as an act (d) ............. violence. Though the headmistress assured the mother that Kayle would be (e) ............. , the same girl followed her and pushed her (f) $\qquad$ To the playground when she went back to school.
(a) Although, But, And.
(b) hit, met, argued.
(c) complained, refused, apologized.
(d) of, in, for.
(e) calm, safe, hard.
(f) violently, safely, slowly.

III- WRITING (6 marks)
You learnt in your biology lessons that smoking is dangerous for our health and our environment. You decided to write a letter to your pen-friend, who is heavy smoker, to warm him against the dangers of smoking and advise him to give it up.
Write the letter.
The following hints may help you:
Lung cancer, tooth decay; heart disease, polluted air, harmful, develop, healthy ...

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## I- READING COMPREHENSION (6 marks)

Read the text and answer the questions.
1- John Preddy, a remarkable young teenager from London, decided to climb Mt.
Kilimanjaro: the highest mountain in Africa-as a way to raise money for "Live In Peace".
2- $\quad$ "When I told my peers that I was thinking about climbing Mt. Kilimanjaro in Tanzania for the organization, they were very excited and amazed," John said. "My dream is to help support all the kids from the conflict areas."
$3-\quad$ With the support of his friends and family, the 15 -year-old boy from London was able to raise over 10.000 dollars for the organization. The majority of his support came online via a personalized fundraising page he created. On the site, supporters sent him messages that kept him "motivated all the way."
4- $\quad$ The fund raisers help support the charity and spread knowledge about "Live In Peace", which is more important than the actual amount of money raised. In the past, others have raised funds for the same organization but John is the first one to climb a mountain for peace.
5- "People are able to make peace," John said, "and it is important for young people to take part in peace-making because we will be the next generation that will take on the world's conflicts. If people get this message then it will be easier to solve all the problems. A great example of the possibility of peace is that while I was in Africa, I learnt that Tanzania consists of more than 120 tribes who live together peacefully."
Adapted from the Internet http://www.sceds of pcacc.org/
Comprehension Questions:

1) Choose the right alternative. (1 mark)

The text is about a teenager who wanted to:
a) join his family
b) spend his holiday
c) do voluntary work.
2) Complete the table with information from the text. (1( $2=2$ marks)

John Preddy: The country he visited... What he achieved...
3) Are the following Statements true or false?
a) John thinks that making peace in the world is possible.
b) ) John did not get any support to carry out his mission.
4) Circle the adjective that best describes John. (I mark)
selfish -courageous -careless -lazy.
II- LANGUAGE: (8 marks)

1) Complete the following paragraph with six words from the box. (0.5 (6 $=3$ marks) me -close -born -about -angry -without -proud -with.
My mother has worked for as long as I can remember. There are times when I really regret that she is so busy, but I am very (a)... of her. When I was (b)..., my mother was at the beginning of her career and I used to spend days (c)... seeing her. My mother and I have always been very (d)... and I used to tell her (e)... personal things. I have always thought
everyone lived like (f)..., but now that I am at secondary school, I realize that there are mothers who don't work at all.
2) Match the sentence parts in Column A with those in Column B to get a coherent paragraph. There is one extra part in Column B.The parts in Column A are in the correct order. Write your answers in the space provided. ( 0.5 ( $4=2$ marks)
Column A
3) Sara Davis can't live
4) Her love of holidays
5) She gets so excited
6) She travels at least

Column B
a) when she is on the plane.
b) because she hates flying.
c) three times a year.
d) comes from childhood.
e) without holidays.
$1+\ldots 2+\ldots 3+\ldots 4+\ldots$
3) Choose the right option. ( 0.5 ( $6=3$ marks)

I have been hurt by my brother all my life. For my parents, it was never considered as violence but only brothers (spending -fighting -saving). For me, it was (more -much -man) than that and what happened to me affected me in a serious and (physically -physics physical) way. I could never fight back and I (forget -remember -think) being frightened all the time. 1 used to (spent -spending -spend) nights thinking about (what -when -why) could happen to me the next day. 1 couldn't tell anyone about it because it makes me feel like a loser.

## III- WRITING

On Earth Day, you decided to write an article for your school magazine on how urgent and important it is to care about our planet and save the environment. Write the article and give your friends some practical advice on how to turn green and lead a healthy life.
You may use some of the following hints: pollution -global warning -breathe -plant trees save energy -waste -harmful -recycling -garbage...

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## I. READING COMPREHENSION (6 marks)

Read the text and answer the questions.

1. When Chelsea Wicking lost her mum and her sister in a car accident, her life was turned upside down. She had to care for her youngest sister Rhiannon, then 12. "The early years were hard on all of us," she admits. "We were still in shock and suddenly I had to become mum to my sister."
2. Chelsea, now 25, has been bringing up Rhiannon for five years. "There were times I didn't know what to do to cope with Rhiannon's needs. It was very frightening. We were both strong - willed", says Chelsea, "but I had to write the rules and Rhiannon found that difficult, which caused frequent quarrels."
3. "After the first few weeks, Rhiannon decided not to go back to school. So my first hurdle was getting her back into the classroom. Finally, after two months, she went back to school and that was a big relief."
4. Rhiannon achieved high enough grades to study at college. "I was so proud the day she finished her studies," says Chelsea. "I felt proud of myself, too. I wished mum was around." 5. After college, Rhiannon, now 19, had a job and moved into her own flat. "She's an adult now and it's important that she relies on herself."
Adapted from the Mirror October 2 8, 20 I 0.
Comprehension Questions:
1) Choose the right alternative. (1 mark)

The text is mainly about:
a) two sisters who hated each other.
b) two sisters who took care of each other.
c) a girl who looked after her younger sister.
2) Are the following Statements true or false?
a) Chelsea and Rhiannon never argued.
b) Rhiannon didn't do well at school.
c) Rhiannon leads an independent life now.
3) Choose the right option. (1 mark)
hurdle (paragraph 3) means nearly the same as: a) respect b) difficulty c) success.
4) Circle the adjective that best describes Chelsea. (1 mark)
supportive -discouraging -dependent -selfish.
II- LANGUAGE (8 marks)

1) Complete the following paragraph with six words from the box. (0.5 (6 $=3$ marks)
longer -those -underground -who -drive -easily -faster -ride
Every time you leave your car at home you reduce air pollution, improve your health and save money. Walk or (a)... a bicycle for short trips, or takes public transport for (b)... ones. In thirty minutes, most people can (c)... walk long distances and can cover even more ground on a bicycle, bus, train or the (d)... Research has shown that people (e)... use public transport are
healthier than (f)... who do not. Families can save enough money annually to cover their food costs for the year.
2) Match the sentence parts in Column A with those in Column B to get a coherent paragraph. There is one extra part in Column B.The parts in Column A are in the correct order. Write your answers in the space provided. (0, 5 ( $4=2$ marks)
Column A
3) Linda spends all her time at a club taking
4) She has volunteered at the club
5) She helps to organize social events and
6) They can now use their own

Column B
a) for two years.
b) not showing any interest at all.
c) care of elderly and disabled people.
d) wheelchairs or walking sticks.
e) provide the disabled with free equipment. $1+\ldots 2+\ldots 3+\ldots 4+\ldots$
3) Choose the right option. ( 0.5 ( $6=3$ marks)

In my free time, I really like surfing the Internet. When I get home from work, I usually (checked -check -checking) my e-mail first. I sometimes scan the local news headlines at my favorite news website. This website often (contaminates -reduces -provides) video news clips that you can view on-line. I sometimes order products or (service -organization -orphanage) on-line to save time and money instead (in -on -of) going to a store and buying what I'm looking for. Using the Internet can be (funnier -fun -funniest) and a convenient way of shopping and finding out information, but you just need to be (careful -carefully -care).

II- WRITING (6 marks)
In his last letter, your English pen friend. Tom told you about English teenagers' leisure activities and wanted to know how Tunisian teenagers spend their free time.
Write Tom a letter and tell him about Tunisian teenagers' leisure activities.
You may use some of the following hints: get entertained -outdoor activities -surf the net pastimes -indoor activities -playing sports -favorite -reading books -hanging around

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## I- READING COMPREHENSION (6 marks)

Read the text and answer the questions.
THE TEXT

1. My name is Jane Eyre and my story began when I was ten. I was living with my Aunt, Mrs. Reed, because my mother and father were both dead. Mrs. Reed was rich. Her house was large and beautiful, but I was not happy there. Mrs. Reed had three children, Eliza, John and Georgiana. My cousins were older than I. They never wanted to play with me and they were often unkind. I was afraid of them.
2. I was most afraid of my cousin John. He enjoyed frightening me and making me feel unhappy. One afternoon, I hid from him in a small room. John decided to look for me.
"Where is Jane Eyre?" he shouted. He could not find me at first - he was not quick or clever. But then Eliza, who was clever, found my hiding place. "Here she is!" she shouted. I had to come out, and John was waiting for me.
3. I was very frightened. John picked up a large heavy book and threw it at me. The book hit me on the head and I fell. Mrs. Reed heard the noise and hurried into the room. She was very angry. She did not seem to notice the blood on my head. "Jane Eyre! You bad girl!" she shouted. "Why did you hit your poor cousin? I had no answer to such a question.
Adapted from 'Jane Eyre' Charlotte Bronte
Comprehension questions :
1) choose the right alternative (1 mark)

The text is mainly about a girl who:
a) suffered bad treatment at her aunt's.
b) left her parents to live with her aunt.
c) was treated well by her loving aunt.
2) Are the following statements true or false? ( $1(2=2$ marks $)$
a) Jane was an orphan.
b) Mrs. Reed could not afford to support Jane.
3) Choose the adjective that best describes John (1 mark)
intelligent -aggressive-supportive-friendly
4) Complete the following sentences with two words from the text. (l (2 =2 marks) Jane felt unhappy because she was always... by her cousins.
Her aunt did not feel sorry for her when John... her with a book.
II- LANGUAGE Is marks!

1) Fill in the blanks with six words from the list ( $0.5 \times 6=3$ marks)
holidays -favorite -divide -at -partner -for -share -sell
The Internet has millions of uses. You can look... information about anything and everything. You can buy and... clothes and books. You can also watch your... TV programmes or chat with your friends and... photographs on Facebook. You can even play chess with a... in Moscow.

Some people use the Internet to book a hotel room for their... or tickets for the cinema. They pay their electricity bills and even buy cars online.
2) Choose the right option ( $0.5(5=2.5$ marks $)$

Tony is a 15 -year-old school boy. He (has done -does -have done) voluntary work for three years. He is proud (at -from -of) his achievement. He is an (easy -active-obstinate) member of "Our Beautiful Earth" - an environmental organization that tries to
(harm -save -cut) nature by planting trees and protecting rainforests. Tony hopes many people (will join -joined -joins) him in such a project to protect the earth and keep our environment green.
3) Match the sentence parts in column A with those in column B to get a coherent paragraph. There is one extra part in column B . The parts in column A are in the correct order. Write your answers in the space provided. (0.5 (5 = 2.5 marks)
Column A

1. I never expected a TV programme to
2. But the TV series 'House' helped
3. It showed me how
4. The brilliant character, Dr. Greg House,
5. His funny comments to colleagues and patients show

Column B
a. interesting a medical career could be.
b. that doctors are not always serious.
c. working with doctors.
d. influence my life.
e. me imagine what career I wanted.
f. breaks down the usual image of what a doctor is like

Answers: $1+\ldots 2+\ldots 3+\ldots 4+\ldots 5+\ldots$

## III- WRITING (6 marks)

Your English friend, Ken, is planning to visit Tunisia. He wants to know about the best way of getting from the airport to your town.
Write him an email where you help him decide about the best means of transport.
The following hints may help you: cheap -comfortable -fast -safe -good for long distances allows sightseeing.

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## I. READING COMREHENSION (6 MARKS)

Read the text and answer the questions.
THE TEXT
1- Bridget Hickson, 13, starts each school day with a soft drink. The seventh garder in New York City drinks a bottle of coke before classes begin at eight o'clock in the morning. Bridget's passion for soda is not unusual. Kids today are drinking more soda than ever before, and many are buying it at school. In 1997, kids spent $\$ 750$ million on soda, sweets, and chips in school vending machines.
2- Health experts are concerned that selling soft drinks in schools encourages poor nutrition. They point out that a can of soda contains 10 teaspoons of sugar and has no vitamins or protein. They want schools to take their soda machines away. Their purpose is to encourage kids to buy milk and other healthy drinks at lunchtime.
3- "Kids have to stop driking soda," declares nutritionist Michael Jacobson. "It has no protein and no fiber". Consuming too many sugary drinks can lead to many health problms, including fatness and toothache. In addition, kids who fill up on soda instead of more nutritious food miss out on important vitamins and minerals, choosing soda over milk, for exemple, prevents some kids from getting the calcium they need to build strong bones and teeth.
Adapted from 'Time for Kids'
April 30, 1999 Vol. 4 No. 25
Comprehension questions :
1- Tick $\left(^{*}\right.$ ) the right alternative (1 mark)
The text is mainly about effect of soft drinks on :
a-Kids' school life
b-kids' health
c- kids' habits
2- Are the following statements true or false? ( $1 * 2=2 \mathrm{marks}$ )
a- Bridget usually drinks coke before starting classes.
b- Health experts encourage selling soft drinks in schools.
3- Fill in each blank with ONE WORD from paragraph three ( $1 * 2=2 \mathrm{marks}$ )
nutritionists say that kids who consume too many............................. drinks may have
problems like toothache and.
4- Tick the function that corresponds to the following statement. (1mark)
" Kids have to stop drinking soda" (paragraph 3) expresses :
a- prohibition
b- possibility
c- obligation
II. LANGUAGE (8 marks)

1-Fill ijn the blanks with six (6) words from the list. ( $0.5 * 6=3 m a r k s$ )
extinct - saw - forests - time - hunting - saved - is - looked
A century ago, a bird called the passenger pigeon lived in North America. The were many
passenger pigeons at that.
People often great flocks of them flying
overgead. Today, there $\qquad$ not a single one left. The passenger pigeons have become. $\qquad$ They have disappeared for two reasons : first, the $\qquad$ where they lived were cut down to make way for farms and cities. Second, many pigeons were killed because they were good to eat and there were no. $\qquad$ laws to protect endangered species.
2- Circle the right option. ( $0.5 * 6=3$ marks)
Jane Parker is the most creative person that I have known. She (started - starts - starting) piano lessons when she was only six years old. At school, she was always creating (interested - interesting - interest) projects in her art classes. When she was only twelve years old, she ( earned - purchased - won) a citywide poetry competition. Her parents were very proud (of with - at) here.
Now ane works as a sitcom writer for a popular T.V show. She works with a group of writers, and together they (decide - think - make) of fresh projects. They also come up with funny dialogues which make the audience (share - quarrel - laugh) and clap their hands out of pleasure.
3- Match the sentence part in column A with those in column B to get the coherent paragraph. There is one extra part in column B. The parts in column A are the correct order. Write your answers in the space provided. ( $0.5 * 4=2$ marks)
Column A
1_ Daisy doesn't get on
2_They don't give her enough
3_They always ask her to
4_ Daisyis so sad that she
Column B
a_ money to cover her school expenses.
b_intends to leave school
c_well with her parents
d_help with the housework.
e_buying too many stationeries.
ANSWERS :
1+ $\qquad$
2+
3+
4+........
III. WRITING (6marks)

Recently, you have noticed too much violence in your school ( fighting - destroying school equipment - taunting, ect). Write a short article for your school magazine in which you give your classmates some advice on how to behave correctly at school.

These hints will help you :
respect - tolerant - school rules - friendly - help each other - politely

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## I. READING COMPREHENSION

Read the text and answer the questions
THE TEXT
(1) When I was 13 , you were my cookery teacher at Wallsend School, and you always asked the pupils to bring ingredients for the recipes. I hated the subject because I knew my mother struggled to afford the ingredients.
(2) There was one lesson I shall never forget and which I still feel very angry about today, more than 50 years later. On that occasion, we were going to make beef stew and we were required to bring a quantity of beef, along with other ingredients. We never ate beef at home. We just couldn't afford it because my father's income was very low. I was frequently hungry as a child.
(3) On the day of the beef stew lesson, my mother told me she couldn't possibly buy beef. So, I plucked up courage and went to see you to explain that I was unable to bring the ingredients. You shouted: "How dare you come without the ingredients ?" As a punishment, you made me clear up after all the girls in my class.
(4) I was upset at your insensitivity and cruelty; but being shy, I couldn't defend myself. You did not understand my difficult situation and that was unfair. Why didn't you try to understand and sympathize with the little girl who came to see you that day ?
Kathleen Cape
The Guardian
March 22, 2014
Comprehension questions (6 marks)

1. Choose the right alternative (1 mark):

In this letter, the writer is: a- thanking. b-blaming her teacher. c- apologizing to.
2. Fill in each blank in the following paragraph with only one word from the text: (2 marks)

Kathleen didn't bring the ingredients because she could not $\qquad$ .to buy them. The teacher $\qquad$ . at her, and obliged her to tidy up the classroom after the lesson.
3. Read paragraph 3 and find an expression which has the same meaning as: (1 mark) I made an effort to be brave = $\qquad$
4. Read paragraph 4 and answer the following question: (1 mark)

How did the writer feel about the teacher's behavior ?
5. Do you share the writer's opinion that the teacher was unfair ? Why ? Why Not? (1 mark)

## II. LANGUAGE (8 marks)

1. Fill in the blanks with six (6) words from the list below: ( $0.5 \times 6=3$ marks) better - as - addicts - amount - having - waste - them - worse

A new camp in Germany is trying to get children who spend too much time on the internet out of their bedrooms. Children at the camp are computer $\qquad$ That's why, they are encouraged to spend $\qquad$ much time as possible outdoors. Supervisors take to the beach every day. They swim and do aerobics before $\qquad$ a healthy lunch. Children who attend the camp say they feel much $\qquad$ by the end of it. Besides, many promise to limit the $\qquad$ of time they will spend on their computers once they return home.
2. Match the sentence parts in column A with those in column B to get a coherent paragraph. There is one extra part in column B. Write your answers in the space provided. ( $0.5 \times 5=2.5$ marks)

## Column A:

1- Action Against Hunger (AAH) is a global
2- It was established in
3- The charity's aim is to offer help
4- It works to save the lives of
5- The charity also tries to provide communities
Column B:
a- to the victims of wars and natural disasters.
b- malnourished children.
c- humanitarian organization.
d- with water and sanitation facilities.
e- to rich people.
f- 1979.
Answers: $1+\ldots . .2+\ldots \ldots .3+\ldots . .4+\ldots . . .5+\ldots .$.
3. Circle the right option. ( $0.5 \times 5=2.5$ marks)

Between 1st (first) and 6th (sixth) grades, Daisy went to seventeen different schools. It wasn't
Daisy's (promise - conflict - choice) to change school so often. Her father was restless. He moved them all over the country looking (for - after - at) the dream job. More than once, Daisy walked out of school at the end of the day to find her parents waiting for her, their car packed with everything they (lent - lost - owned). With no warning, they (were moving move - will move) again. When Daisy's mother told her husband that they needed to stay in one place so that Daisy could do well at school, he would laugh and ask: "Why ?" Then he would answer (myself - himself - herself) "Girls don't need an education."

## III. WRITING (6 marks)

You have heard about a campaign to help needy people in your country, and you have decided to write a ten-line article for your school magazine to encourage your schoolmates to volunteer and take action.
These hints may help you:
donate - stand by - give hope - support - raise - collect - join

