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Le sujet comporte 4 pages numérotées de 1/4 à 4/4.

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I. READING COMPREHENSION

6 marks

Read the text then answer the questions.

THE TEXT

① Katrina Neathey, who runs a cleaning company, became extremely impatient with her messy teens, Hayden, 17 and Chris, 19. She decided to be stricter and asked them to sign a cleaning contract with fines for every rule broken. The kids agreed to the five-dollar fines for not making their beds, eating and consuming fizzy drinks in their rooms or leaving litter on the floor. "I know my children who are still plumber apprentices do not earn much. So when they pay that money out of their pocket, they will feel it," said Katrina.

② The mom appeared on a TV show where she insisted that those fines taught her children to look after themselves. Some viewers loved the idea and said the mother was teaching the children essential life skills they will need when they eventually leave home. However, other viewers did not side with her. One found it unfair while another said parents are supposed to give money to their children not to take it out of them.

③ Katrina spent years cleaning up after her kids but since she introduced the rules, things have changed. She is really pleased with how things are going, and that made her life much easier. 'Part of growing up is learning to respect property. I think the contract helped do that. It might sound harsh but I just think it's time they learned the hard way,' said Katrina.

Adapted from
www.dailymail.co.uk/ (20 February, 2020)

Comprehension questions**1. Tick (✓) the right option. (1 mark)**

The text is mainly about a mother who wanted to

- a. punish her children severely.
- b. teach her children a lesson.
- c. take out her kids' money.

2. Fill in each blank with only one word from paragraph 2. (2 marks)

The story of Katrina and her kids went viral on TV. Viewers did not share the same opinion about the many _____ the kids had to pay. Some supported the idea while others considered it to be _____ to impose such home rules.

3. Find a word in paragraph 1 meaning nearly the same as (1 mark)angry (paragraph 1): _____**4. What does the underlined word in the text refer to? (1 mark)**“that” (paragraph 3) refers to: _____**5. Give a personal justified answer to the following question. (1 mark)**

If you were Katrina's son or daughter, would you accept to pay money for breaking the home rules? Why? Why not?

If I were _____, I _____ because _____

Voir suite au verso

II. LANGUAGE

8 marks

1. Fill in the blanks with six (6) words from the box below. (0.5x6 = 3 marks)

found / threat / on / appropriate / health / away / reduce / for

The excessive use of social media has become a burning issue for researchers. According to a Glasgow University study, one in five adolescents in the United Kingdom are spending more than five hours _____ social media before they go to bed. The study also _____ that an increased amount of time in front of the screen could have a negative impact on a young person's _____ and education. The university report asks _____ support to be given to help teenagers find a balance between online social interactions and an _____. sleep schedule. The report also urges parents to _____ their kids' screen time through encouraging them to go out and take up social and physical activities.

2. Circle the right option. (5x0.5 = 2.5 marks)

Researchers said that children who grow up feeling close to nature are happier than others. They added that children who feel (invited / forced / connected) to nature have a positive view towards life. That is why parents should take their kids (off / to / at) the wild, help them learn to protect the planet and be happy. "Our children are the future (loggers / offenders / protectors) of this planet. Therefore, inculcating positive behaviour and environmental care in them is important," said Dr Laura Berrera from Sonora Institute of Technology. "(Be / Being / Been) close to nature is not just loving its (beauty / beautiful / beautifully), but also appreciating its variety and feeling part of it," she added.

3. Put the bracketed words in the correct tense or form: (5x0.5 = 2.5 marks)

As schools close their doors due to the coronavirus pandemic, and as the United Kingdom goes into lockdown, stars are turning into teachers. Many (fame) _____ faces are helping out by launching daily lessons on their social media accounts to help keep children busy and (involve) _____. Recently, Myleene Klass, a British talented singer and pianist, (launch) _____ her own YouTube channel. The star (great) _____ enjoys teaching the children about music with regular videos. She posted on Instagram: "Music has always been seen as an (excite) _____ subject. But now, it's what seems to be soothing people's minds and souls. So let's pass on the love and enjoy ourselves."



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III. WRITING

6 marks

You noticed that some of your classmates are more and more laughing at your favourite friend Karim / a.

As you felt concerned, you decided to write a (10) ten-line post for your school facebook page in which you express your opinion about their behaviour and suggest ways to change it.

Write your post in the space provided below.

DO NOT WRITE YOUR NAME. DO NOT MENTION YOUR SCHOOL.

Adherence to task and content adequacy / 2
Lexical appropriacy and grammar accuracy / 2
Mechanical accuracy (punctuation, spelling and capitalization) / 2

