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| Pioneer Prep School Siliana <i>Teacher :Maad chiraz</i> 8th graders | 2019- 2020 End-term TEST n°1 | Mark  |
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Name:..... Class:.....



The text:

[1] My name is Peter Smith. I am a builder. I left school at the age of 15 because it was boring. I didn't like my teachers because they lived a different world and because I felt that they couldn't understand us. However, today I feel sorry about my ideas. I am sure that I shouldn't do so. I had to work hard and listen to my teachers' advice

[2] Thirty five years ago, George and I were classmates in the primary school. We were friends because we liked each other and shared the same experiences. Besides we were only 5 years old.

[3] Today, I met George in the milk market after more than thirty years. The thing that surprises me now is my reaction to meeting him so long. From day to day, I often see men who went to school with me and who did well for themselves. They are now doctors, teachers, engineers, and one of them is a minister. Sometimes, they see me, too but they neglect me as I am a failure, whenever I meet one of these people, I always feel embarrassed. With Doctor George it was different, because I felt happy when I saw **him**.

[4] Today, he saw me before I saw him. He called me from the other side of the street and when I heard my name, I turned to see him smiling. He was healthy and well- dressed. I can't say how pleased I was when he shook my hand and asked how I was, but I couldn't answer. My old clothes spoke for **themselves**. After exchanging some words and because George was in a hurry we agreed to meet again.





READING COMPREHENSION: (06 marks)

1/ Read the text and tick the right option: (0.5 mark)

The text is a:

Fairy tale

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real story

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letter of complaint

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2/ Read the text and correct these False statements : (1.5 marks)

a. George felt embarrassed when he met Peter.

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b. Peter was a good and an intelligent pupil at school.

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c. Peter didn't like his teachers because they always punished him.

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3/ Answer the question with reference to the text : 2 marks

a- What does he mean by "my old clothes spoke for themselves"?

b- Why do some of Peter's childhood friends neglect him whenever he meets them?

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4/ What do the underlined words refer to in the text? (01 mark)

a. him (paragraph 3) refers to.....

b. themselves (paragraph 4) refers to.....

5/ Give a personal justified answer : 1 mark

If you were George would you do take the same decision about school

? Why ? why not ? (01 mark)

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II/ LANGUAGE (08 pts)



1- Put the bracketed words in the right tense or form : 4 marks

Tired of living in rainy, cloudy Britain, Jason (think) ①.....of moving to Australia these days . He thinks that this it is a peaceful destination where everyone (to look) ②.....for rest , serenity and peace of mind in the part of (Australia)





could be a great loss for the coming generations that no longer show interest in the education as a door to a bright future .

III/ Writing:(06 marks)

Your British friend wants to come to Tunisia .So he asked you to tell him about the places that are worth visiting .Write him a letter to describe some must-see destinations in your country .

Handwriting practice lines for the letter.





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2/ Read the text and correct these False statements : (1.5 marks)

a. George felt embarrassed when he met Peter. whenever I meet one of these people, I always feel embarrassed. With Doctor George it was different, because I felt happy when I saw him.

a. Although Peter was studious and serious at school, he didn't succeed.

I am sure that I shouldn't do so. I had to work hard and listen to my teachers' advice

b. Peter didn't like his teachers because they always punished him.

I didn't like my teachers because they lived a different world and because I felt that they couldn't understand us

3/ Answer the question with reference to the text : 2 marks

a- What does he mean by "my old clothes spoke for themselves"?

Peter couldn't answer George when he asked how he was because his clothes showed that he wasn't ok.

b- Why do some of Peter's childhood friends neglect him whenever he meets them?

Peter's childhood friends neglect him whenever he meets them because for them he is a failure and he didn't succeed his school life.

4/ What do the underlined words refer to in the text? (01mark)

a. him (paragraph 3) refers to George

b. themselves (paragraph 4) refers to old clothes

5/ Give a personal justified answer : 1 mark

If you were Peter would you do take the same decision about school ?

Why ? why not ? (01 mark)

If I were Peter I wouldn't neglect my studies and I would work day and night to achieve goals and have a flourishing career.

II/ LANGUAGE (08 pts)

1- Put the bracketed words in the right form : 4 marks





Tired of living in rainy, cloudy Britain, Jason (think) ① **is thinking** of moving to Australia these days . He thinks that this it is a peaceful destination where everyone (to look) ② **looks** for rest , serenity and peace of mind . The beach is a big part of (**Australia**) ③ **Australian** culture, and at this time next week Jason (to surf) ④ **is**

going to surf / will surf the huge waves in Byron Bay.

(hopeful) ⑤ **Hopefully** , he knows about the existence of a Box Jellyfish, the (dangerous) ⑥ **the most dangerous** animal in Australia – more than snakes, spiders, sharks and crocodiles combined! A love of the beach and living in one of the sunniest countries means fun .Australians love sport, but often just watch it instead of (play) ⑦ **playing** it. The environment concerns Jason , so he is (to disappoint) ⑧ **disappointed** to discover Australia is a big consumer and per person is the biggest polluter .

2-Match parts in A with parts in B to get a coherent paragraph.Number one is done (2 marks)

| A | B | Answers |
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| 1. I hate my school clothes! They are so | a. have to wear the same clothes | 1+e |
| 2. How sad is that! I think it's unfair that we all | b. and individuality. If I dye my hair and wear bright colours and people laugh at me I won't care. | 2+...a... |
| 3. I want to wear clothes that express my personality | c. I hate them so much that I cut them up | 3+...b... |
| 4. I'm not brave to disobey school rules | d. and wear the clothes that I like. | 4+...d... |
| 5. I think my school clothes are too horrible to wear. | e. boring Black trousers and white shirts and a jumper with the school name on it | 5+...c... |

3-Insert the missing words to complete the paragraph : (there's an extra word) :2 marks



Children' education is changing very ❶ rapidly nowadays. In the past, teachers made children ❷ memorise information. In other words, the kids had to ❸ repeat things until they knew them by heart. Today, teachers say we must let children learn and discover by themselves. But some children see a prison in the school and are there ❹ since their parents make them go. Many of them even think of leaving school and finding jobs. Which could be a great loss for the coming generations that no longer show interest in the education as a door to a bright future .



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