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	Discipline: Anglais	Classe: 9 ^{ème} B./.....
	Durée : 1 heure	Nom:

I- READING COMPREHENSION

A THE TEXT:



① There are nearly 100 million children in the world who live on the streets because they have no home. Some children get inspired and spend their spare time lending a hand to improve the lives of others.

② When five-year-old Canadian Hannah Taylor saw a homeless man eating out of a rubbish bin, she was shocked and saddened. As a young child from a loving and comfortable home, she was unaware that homelessness existed. She never forgot the image of that man and so a few years later, Hannah founded the **Ladybug Foundation**, a charity for the homeless.

③ She chose the ladybug because the insect represents good luck, which is something she believes the homeless need. She began by painting empty baby-food jars like ladybugs and asking businesses in her town to put small change in them. By the age of ten, she had raised more than half a million dollars.

④ Now, a young adult, Hannah has spoken out for the homeless across Canada to hundreds of schools and organisations. Through these and other efforts, over two million dollars has been raised. This amount would provide the needy with not only shelter, but also food. A meal and a home are two basic human rights for the homeless.

Adapted from: 'ISL Collective'





B COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS: (6 marks)

1- Tick (✓) the most appropriate option: (1 mark)

The text is mainly about...

- a- a homeless girl
- b- a caring girl
- c- an indifferent girl

2- Correct this false statement with information from paragraph 4. (1 mark)

- The Ladybug Foundation offers the homeless just a house to live in.

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3- Re-read the text to reorder (1, 2, 3) the events of Hannah's story. (3marks)

—	She raised her voice to help people without homes all over the country.
—	She didn't know that some people in her city didn't have homes.
—	She managed to collect as much as \$500,000.

4- Give a personal justified answer to the following question: (1 mark)

Would you volunteer to work in a similar foundation in your home town? Why / Why not?

→ I volunteer to work in a similar foundation in my hometown,
because

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II- LANGUAGE: (8 marks)

1- Fill in the blanks with the most suitable words from the box. (Mind the 2 extra items!):

(3 marks)

footsteps – generously – urging – made – however – practical – that – establishing

Dolly is a fabulous entertainer, but she is also a great volunteer. Celebrities can do good works in many ways. It can be by making a large donation, ① _____ politicians to make changes. They can also provide ② _____ support by working at a canteen. So, what cause did Dolly support that has ③ _____ huge difference? She gave her money ④ _____ to research into finding a vaccine for Covid-19. Dolly described her contribution as a little seed money ⑤ _____ will hopefully grow into something great and help to heal this world. Many other celebrities are now following in Dolly's ⑥ _____. Deprived of red carpets, concerts and sporting events, they are keen to show their support.

2- Circle the correct option: (3 marks)

It sounds like a food festival, but a Strawberry Fair is actually a cultural festival. The first one was in 1974 and today it attracts ① **(more – over – least)** 30.000 people. It is a one-day festival with lots of shows and events. There are lots of stages with ② **(live – alive – life)** music. You can hear everything from rock and pop to jazz and classical music. There are ③ **(then – too – also)** stages with theatre and dance. The festival is very family-friendly, too. There is a special kids' area with face- ④ **(whitening – painting – spraying)** and fun activities. Another popular event is the fancy-dress ⑤ **(compete – competition – competitive)** during which people dress up like animals. It's a way to ⑥ **(support – prohibit – prevent)** wildlife charities in England. So, for a fun day out, don't miss the Strawberry Fair!

3- Match the sentence parts to get a coherent paragraph. (Mind the Extra item in 'B'):

(2 marks)

A	B
① The Academy Awards, also called the Oscars, are the most ② Every year, the best films, actors, and directors are ③ The event takes place in Hollywood ④ The Oscars have a long history of	a) highest honours in the film industry. b) where stars from around the world gather to celebrate great movies. c) famous movie awards in the world. d) recognizing outstanding achievements in filmmaking. e) chosen to receive golden statues.
① -	② -
③ -	④ -

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III- WRITING: (6 marks)

You have noticed that some rude students mistreat pupils with physical handicaps. Write a 10-line blog post in which you encourage your classmates to be tolerant and give them tips on how to show respect and support.

DO NOT WRITE YOUR NAME OR SIGN THE POST

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Answer Key and Marking Scheme
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Reading Comprehension		6 marks
1	b – a caring girl	1 mark
2	"(This amount would provide the needy with) not only a shelter, but also food " (OR ANY SIMILAR WORDING)	1 mark
3	③ She raised her voice to help people without homes all over the country.	3 marks
	① She didn't know that some people in her city didn't have homes.	
	② She managed to collect as much as \$500,000.	
4	Accept any plausible & logical answer	1 mark
Language		8 marks
1.	① urging – ② practical – ③ made – ④ generously – ⑤ that – ⑥ footsteps	0.5 x 6 = 3 marks
2.	① over – ② live – ③ also – ④ painting – ⑤ competition – ⑥ support	0.5 x 5 = 3 marks
3.	① + c - ② + e - ③ + b - ④ + d	0.5 x 4 = 2 marks
Writing		6 marks
Adherence to task and content adequacy.		2.5 marks
Grammar accuracy and lexical appropriacy.		2.5 marks
Language mechanics (punctuation, spelling, capitalization).		1 mark



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