



**I/ READING COMPREHENSION ( 6 marks ) :**

**THE READING PASSAGE :**

My dad goes to school just like me. My sister is in second grade and I am in fourth grade. My dad isn't in a grade. He goes to school at the community college where he is studying computer science. Every morning he walks with my sister and me to the bus stop. We all ride the same bus to my school and then he says goodbye to us. We all ride the bus home in the afternoon, but at different times. My sister and I get home first. As soon as Dad arrives, the three of us sit down at the kitchen table and do our homework together. I think Dad has the most homework. After he gets his homework done, my dad goes to his job and works until midnight. When he gets home it's very late and the rest of the family is sound asleep. Dad says he is studying hard because he wants a better job. He says he's looking forward to being home in the evenings and relaxing with all of us. In another year he will finish his degree and he can find a better job. I admire my dad. Sometimes when I'm not in the mood to do my homework he pats me on the shoulder and says, "You're doing very well. You keep it up and you won't have to go to school when you're an old guy like me."

**COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS :**

1° Fill in the table with the right information from the reading passage ( 2 mks ) :

Student	Subject	Reason to go to school
Dad	.....	.....

2° Answer the following question ( 1 mk ) :

How does dad encourage his son when he doesn't feel like doing his assignment ?

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3° Find in paragraph one a word meaning ( 1 mk ) :

state = .....

4° What do the underlined word in the reading passage refer to ? ( 1 mk ) :

then he says goodbye to us ( parag 1 ) : .....

5° Match the statement below taken from the reading passage with its appropriate function.

There are 2 extra functions ( 1 mk ) :

1- I think Dad has the most homework.

- a- Contrast
- b- Request
- c- Opinion

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## II/ LANGUAGE ( 8 marks ) :

### 1° Circle the right alternative ( 2.5 mks ) :

Zenko Kajiyama, 32, went to Waverley station to catch the bus to Edinburgh airport. He had a meeting the next day in London and he wanted to catch the evening flight. When he saw a silver bus marked Club Class he got on it. ( **However – Fortunately - That's why** ), the bus was for people going to a birthday party. The people on the bus helped Mr Kajiyama with his bags and found him a seat. He thought he was on the right bus until they stopped at a pub and everyone got off. They asked Mr Kajiyama to join their party and so he followed them into the pub. When he looked ( **after – for - at** ) his watch he saw it was too late and that he had missed his plane. At first he was very ( **relaxed – pleased – worried** ), but then he decided to stay in the pub. He had a drink and ( **beauty – beautiful – beautifully** ) danced to the music with the other members of the party. In the end he went back to the house of one of his new friends and he slept on the sofa. The next morning he ( **is going to take – will take - took** ) a taxi to the airport and flew to London, but he was too late for his meeting.

### 2° Supply the right tense or form of the bracketed words ( 2.5 mks ) :

Do you ever wonder what high school will be like? Do you think about where you'll go to college? Do you have plans like what degree you ( **get** ) ..... for a fun and interesting job? No matter what you think about your future, education plays a very important part! As a middle school ( **study** ) ..... , you should know it's never too early to start looking ahead. Middle school is a steppingstone to high school. Your ( **succeed** ) ..... now and all through your high school years will help as you enter your next phase of life... college! Right now it's probably hard to imagine where you ( **be** ) ..... in a year or two, much less 10 or 20 years down the road. By attending college ( **immediate** ) ..... after high school, you can get a head start on answering those important questions.

### 3° Fill in the blanks with the appropriate words from the list below. There are 2 extra ones ( 3 mks ) :

**tough - myself - bag - succeed - elementary - exciting - better - fail**

Walking back home from school, my heart sank deeper and deeper. How could I face my family? Today was the marking period in my new ..... school, and my school report shows three red F's. When I got home, I opened the door quietly, and I crept into my bedroom, I threw ..... on the bed and covered my head with a pillow. I was a complete failure! Suddenly, I heard someone enter my room. It was my older brother Mike, "How many classes did you ..... ? He teased. He called me stupid, clumsy and started to hit me. Just then, my father walked in the room. He sent my brother out and took me between his strong arms. He put a sesame candy in my hand and said: "it's been a ..... time in your new school", he said, but things will be ..... soon. If you work hard you will ..... easily. Remember that I love you so much".

**III/ WRITING ( 6 marks ) :**

**Topic :** Having read the school blog post about joining extra-curricular activities at your school, you decided to send an instant facebook message to your closest mate who has never signed up for a club to advise him to enroll himself in one among them while providing him with a list of their benefits.

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# Valley View School News

**GET BUSY AFTER SCHOOL!**

Welcome back to school! From all the staff here at your school news blog, we hope you're ready for another great year. Did you sign up for an after-school activity already? If not, don't worry! There's still time. Here are some of the activities you can check out:

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- Adherence to task and content adequacy ( ..... / 3 )
  - Lexical appropriacy and grammar accuracy ( ..... / 2 )
  - Mechanical accuracy : Punctuation + Capitalization + Spelling ( ..... / 1 )
- Overall score ( ..... / 6 )