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1) Reading Comprehension :

It was a cold , wet Saturday in November, and I was driving home from work when I saw a young girl standing by the side of the road . It was terrible weather, so I stopped and offered her a lift. 'Thanks a lot,' she said. 'You're the first person to stop and I've been here for hours!' 'Where are you going?' I asked. She laughed and replied, 'somewhere very cheap – I don't have much money.'

She told me her story . Katy was from the USA. The day before , she had set off on her round-the-world trip . England was her first stop, but as soon as she'd arrived in London her money had been stolen. She was going to collect some more money on Monday when the banks opened . Until then she had to find cheap accommodation . I believed Katy's story, so I offered her a bed for the night . 'Gee, thanks,' she replied. 'I was getting worried about where I could stay!' We arrived at my flat and I made up the spare bed, gave her something to eat , and lent her some money. She thanked me and we spent the rest of the evening talking about the States and places she could visit in England.

The next day I got up fairly late and noticed that the front door was open. 'That's strange,' I thought, then suddenly I realized. Katy had gone , and so had my wallet.

Questions

I- **Pick out a clause/sentence to show that the statements below are false.**

1- The writer offered help to Katy because the road was dangerous. (1)

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2- Katy knows the writer and she was waiting for his help. (1)

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3- Katy is British. (0.5)

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4- At night, Katy slept in the street. (0.5)

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II- **Complete the table with the appropriate information from the text. (3)**

	Katy	Writer
problem		

III- **Answer the following questions with reference to the text. (3)**

1- Should the writer call the police ? why? Why not?

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2- What did you learn from Katy's travelling experience ?

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IV- **Find, in the text, words/expressions that mean nearly the same as:(1.5)**

1- provided:.....

2- a place where to live :

V- **After reading the text, do you prefer to tour the world alone or with a group?Why? (1.5)**

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II) Language

1) Circle the correct alternative. (3)

I'm seventeen and my life is terrible. The problem is that my parents are always telling me what to do! Last weekend, my father made me stay in on a Saturday night and do my homework. And just because I failed a couple of exams. I'd already arranged to go out with my friends, so I had to (**phoned, phone, phoning**) them up and explain. It was so embarrassing!

. And then my mother is always telling me what kind of clothes I should buy. I bought a new dress (**last, next, this**) week, and when I told her the price she started shouting at me. She said that I shouldn't have bought it – it was too expensive. I wouldn't (**minding, mind, to mind**), but my mother spends a fortune on her hair.

. But (**worse, the bad, the worst**) thing happened yesterday evening. It was my birthday recently, and my parents (**have bought, are buying, bought**) me two tickets for an Oasis concert. I wanted to take my best friend with me, but they made me take my (**thirteen-years-old, thirteen-year-old, thirteen years old**) brother. What can I do?

2) Fill in the blanks with words from the list. (3)

(survived, station, home, decorating, theatres, money)

On that October day, Vicky didn't go to school. She went to the (1)..... and caught the train to London. 'At first it was really exciting. There were all the bright lights, (2)..... and shops and some really interesting people. I had to sleep on the streets, but I didn't mind. I was free - no school, no homework, no parents.'

But soon there was no food and no (3) either. Vicky was cold, hungry and miserable, but she (4) until one night about a week before Christmas.

'I was walking down a street, when I looked into someone's front window. There was a girl there, just like me. She was (5)..... a Christmas tree. I thought "If I was at (6)....., I'd be decorating our tree now." Then I couldn't help it. I just sat down on the pavement and cried and cried.'



III- Writing

1) **Reorder the following sentences to get a coherent paragraph.** (4)

- (...) We're used to travelling around on our own without spending too much money,
- (...) so we didn't mind taking buses everywhere .
- (...) Apart from that, it was a great holiday.
- (...) "I went to the States last year with a friend .
- (...) We avoided hitchhiking because we didn't want to risk being mugged.
- (...) The Grand Canyon was the most breathtaking sight I've ever seen."
- (...) "I've always wanted to go to Italy and visit Rome, the Vatican , Florence,
- (...) and see all the magnificent art there – and I wasn't disappointed!"

2) **Free Writing** (8)

Use the information provided below to write a biography of Tom Cruise.

Tom Cruise's Birthdate: July 3, 1962

Birthplace: Syracuse, New York

Childhood: difficult

Family: move from place to place (father was looking for work)

Tom: Lived in 10 different towns

Changed school regularly

Difficulty in reading and spelling

Succeeded in acting

Has his own production company

Produced his first film 'Mission Impossible'

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