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Le sujet comporte 4 pages.

I. READING COMPREHENSION

THE TEXT

1. An art student living in Preston has raised over £21,000 for a homeless man, after she says he offered her his last £3 so that she could get a taxi home safely. Dominique Harrison-Bentzen, who studies at the University of Central Lancashire, says she had lost her bank card and needed to get home after a night out when the homeless man, known only as Robbie, offered money to help. The 22-year-old says she declined the offer.
2. Dominique was so moved by his gesture that she started a campaign to raise enough money to help him get a flat. She set up a donation facebook page and asked people to each donate £3. The campaign also involved spending the night on the street, along with supporters who had heard about her story.
3. "I was touched by such a kind gesture from a man who **faces ignorance every day**, so I set on a mission to find this man. The more I spoke about him, the more kind gestures I learned about him, such as him returning wallets untouched to pedestrians and offering his scarf to keep people warm. He has been homeless for 7 months through no fault of his own and needs **to get back on his feet** but cannot get work because he had no address. So that's when I decided to change Robbie's life and help him, as he has helped many others."
4. The campaign has received global attention, **going viral on social media**. Since the donation page was set up, it has frequently reported technical difficulties due to "an unusually high number of visitors." Many have tweeted their support, including celebrities.
5. After the fundraiser, which ended on Wednesday morning, Dominique posted on Facebook: "This is going to change the lives of an incredible amount of homeless people in Preston. Yes, we were cold and yes, we were hungry, but people endure that 365 days of the year, so for 24 hours we didn't complain."

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COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (15 marks)

1. Tick (✓) the most suitable title (1 mark)

- a. Charity begins at home ☐
- b. Kindness brings kindness ☐
- c. Need often makes greed ☐

2. For each of the following statements, pick out one detail showing that it is false. (4 marks)

- a- Robbie has been jobless because there is no work that suits his qualifications. (para. 3)
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- b- Dominique thankfully accepted Robbie's offer to help.(para. 1)
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- c- Besides her action in the street, Dominique launched a door to door campaign to raise money.(para. 2)
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- d- Robbie is the only beneficiary from the action.(para. 5)
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3. Focus on paragraph 3 and list two of Robbie's 'kind gestures' (2 marks)

- a.
- b.

4. Tick (✓) the most appropriate alternative (3 marks)

1- Robbie needs 'to get back on his feet' (parag. 3) by

- a) leading a decent life with a steady income ☐
- b) exercising more often and more regularly ☐
- c) helping other people like him to make it ☐

2- The campaign went 'viral on social media' (parag. 4) means that

- a) very few people expressed sympathy to Robbie ☐
- b) only celebrities were ready to offer help to Robbie ☐
- c) many people showed interest in the campaign ☐

3- By saying that Robbie 'faces ignorance every day' (parag. 3), Dominique implies that he

- a) suffers from neglect ☐
- b) cannot read or write ☐
- c) pretends not to care ☐

5. Find words in the text meaning nearly the same as (2 marks)

- a. emotionally affected (parag. 2):
- b. a social event held to collect money for charity (parag. 5):

6. What do the underlined words in the text refer to? (2 marks)

- a. 'her' (parag. 2) refers to
- b. 'we' (parag. 5) refers to

III. LANGUAGE (10 marks)

1. Circle the right alternative (3 marks)

Smog isn't the only kind of pollution making headlines in China. Environmental activist Deng Fei recently encouraged users of SinaWeibo, China's Twitter, to share pictures of (**pollute – polluting – polluted**) rivers from their hometowns. News broke on social media that not only (**companies were polluting – were companies polluting – companies did pollute**) the water, but were intentionally pumping wastewater (**into – for – on**) the ground through high-pressure pipes in order to avoid complying with regulations. According to reports, the polluted water (**causes – had caused – has caused**) cancer and affected the development of local children. Many regions have reported smog, and now, there are (**alarmed – tragic – destroying**) reports of underground water pollution. Dumping wastewater underground is an evil act; is it (**some – any – no**) different from killing future generations?

2. Fill in the blanks with 7 words from the box. (3.5 marks)

concentrate – took – recipe – lost – with – challenge – ever – downloaded – at

I will be the first to admit that dieting is tough. It me 14 months to lose 35 kilos, dropping from a size 16 to a 10. I feel amazing and have more energy than But after I have lost the kilos, I have to on keeping them off. And that is a whole new Luckily, I have got a secret weapon in my battle of the bulge - my mobile phone! As well as helping me slim down, it has kept me on the calorie counting straight and narrow for the last 11 months too. I the Weight Watchers application onto it. It meant I could record everything I ate as well as get low-fat ideas. The application, coupled mum's supportive texts, meant I had a diet guru in my pocket!

3. Supply the right tense or form of the bracketed words (3,5 marks)

Valentina, an adventurous primary school teacher, is travelling the world to chase violent storms. (**Inspire**) by the 1996 disaster film *Twister*, which follows a group of storm chasers, Valentina risks her life to snap extraordinary photos of thunderstorms and tornadoes. The 31-year-old Italian teacher (**voluntary**) puts herself in front of storms that produce enormous streaks of lightning and winds of (**much**) than 100 mph. Valentina (**photograph**) violent weather for more than a decade, and she has encountered more than 70 tornadoes and 400 storms. In May 2013, she (**survive**) a deadly tornado in Oklahoma. It is the (**wide**) tornado in recorded history, killing four fellow storm chasers and it (**remember**) by the close-knit community as the darkest moment in storm chasing history.