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I- Reading Comprehension (8 marks)

Read the text and answer the questions.

- (1) According to a recent survey, Britain's kids aren't as fit as their parents and grandparents. They don't read books, they don't write letters and for most of their free time they just **slump**\* in front of a television or computer.
- (2) The problem starts at school. Teachers nowadays have to give a lot of time to subjects like English, Math, Science and foreign languages and so pupils do less PE (Physical Education) and Games. Also, most pupils don't walk or cycle to school. Some go on the bus, but more and more parents take their children to school and back by car.
- (3) When they get home, what do they do? Do they play in the garden or in the street? Do they go to the park for a game of football or tennis? No, they sit down and watch TV or play a computer game. The survey says that 60 % of British children have got a television or computer in their bedroom.
- (4) The survey is about young people in Britain, but this isn't just a British problem. Surveys in other countries show that it's happening all over the world. Kids today just don't take enough exercise, says Dr Morgan, and they eat too much junk food, too. It's very sad. We've got all these wonderful things-televisions, video-recorders, computers, cars-but **they're** producing a generation of couch potatoes.

\***Slump**: to fall or sit down suddenly because you are ill, weak or tired



## Comprehension Questions:

1- Tick  the right answer.

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•The text is about :

- a- Kids who are becoming fitter and fitter everyday.  
 b- Kids who practise sport regularly.  
 c- Kids who don't take enough exercise.

2- Are the following statements true or false? Write true or false and justify

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Statements	T / F	Justifications
1- British pupils go to school on foot.	_____	_____ _____
2- Pupils take enough PE lessons at school.	_____	_____ _____

3- Find words in the text meaning nearly the same as the following:

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a- children (p1) = \_\_\_\_\_

b- many (p2) = \_\_\_\_\_

4- Tick  the correct meaning:

According to the text: Junk food (paragraph 4) means:

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- a- Unhealthy food  
 b- Cheap food.  
 c- Healthy food.

5- Answer the following question.

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Is the problem mentioned in the text happening only in Britain?

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6- Pick out a sentence from paragraph 2 in the text expressing obligation:

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\_\_\_\_\_

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7- What does the underlined word refer to?

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They (paragraph4): \_\_\_\_\_

II- Language (8 marks)

1- Complete the following paragraph with four words from the box.

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better - nearer - Suddenly - on - cycle - in

Yesterday morning, I got up early. I looked out of the window, it was raining so I put ① \_\_\_\_\_ a thick jacket and got the bike out to ② \_\_\_\_\_ to school. I was cycling down the hill. ③ \_\_\_\_\_, I saw a car. It was travelling very fast and coming towards me. It was getting nearer and ④ \_\_\_\_\_. It knocked me off my bike luckily. It only broke my leg.



2- Circle the correct alternative.

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Yesterday night the Browns sat at the dining table to have dinner as usual. The main dish was fish and chips. After ①( **finish / finishing / finishes** ), Mr. Brown, Mrs. Brown and Chris went to the living room to watch TV while Imene and Christine remained in the kitchen to ②( **clear / lay / set** ) the table and wash the dishes. ③(What a surprise!/What surprise!/How surprise!) Chris suggested giving a small party ④( **for / to / with** ) Imene." It is a good idea", said his mother. Soon Mr. and Mrs. Brown ⑤( **start / started / will start** ) writing the shopping list. They wanted to keep it pretty short because they ⑥( **won't / went / want** ) invite many guests to the party. Chris was busy calling his best friends and writing invitation cards. He decided to buy a camera as a present.



3- Put the verbs/words in the right tense/form:

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**Steve:** I want to go to Barbican Theatre tonight. The Royal Shakespeare Company is (perform) ① \_\_\_\_\_ Hamlet. Would you like to come with me?

**Mary:** I don't like (go)② \_\_\_\_\_ there. I hate drama. What about going to Sally's house? She is celebrating her birthday party tonight.

**Steve:** But she (not/invite)③ \_\_\_\_\_ me. Besides I didn't buy her a present. Did she invite you?

**Mary:** Yes, of course. She (call)④ \_\_\_\_\_ me last week; but I didn't buy her a present either. I think I (go)⑤ \_\_\_\_\_ to the gifts shop and buy her a nice present. Would you like to come with me?

**Steve:** I'd love to, but I (not/have)⑥ \_\_\_\_\_ enough money.

**Mary:** Never mind. I'll lend you some

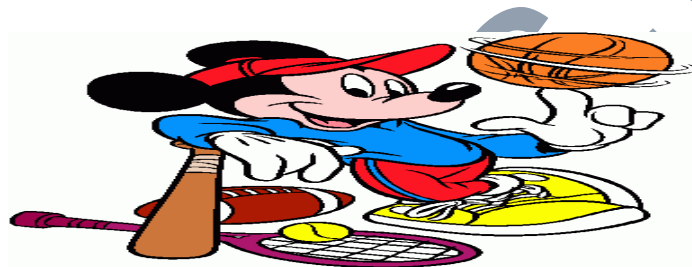
**Steve:** Great! Let's go then.



### III- Writing (6 marks)

Many people seem not to know the benefits of sport. There are many people who practise sport regularly however they don't realize its importance.

**Write an article to your school magazine about the importance of sporting activities.**



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-Lexical appropriacy and grammar accuracy	... / 02	<input type="text"/>
-Mechanical accuracy (punctuation, capitalization and spelling) ... / 02.		<b>6</b>