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The text



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A schoolboy who made £14,000 by selling sweets from a “black market” tuck-shop has been threatened with suspension unless he stops the enterprise. Tommie Rose, 15, buys chocolate, crisps and fizzy drinks in bulk from discount stores and sells them to fellow pupils at a competitive mark-up.

For three years, he has been putting his £60 to £70 daily earnings into a trust fund to pay the £9,000-a-year tuition fees for university, and has his eye on studying business at Oxford or Cambridge.

However, teachers at Buile Hill High School in Salford, Greater Manchester, have threatened the teenager with suspension if he does not shut down the unofficial tuck-shop, which they say breaches healthy-eating guidelines. James Inman, the head teacher at Buile Hill school, said: “We admire this pupil’s entrepreneurship but school is not the place to set up a black market of fizzy drinks, sweets and chocolates. “Our healthy-eating policy doesn’t allow these for the good of our children.”

Tommie, who lives on the Ordsall estate in Salford, was suspended from his previous school, Oasis Academy, for 10 days for running a similar tuck-shop, which he said was inspired by television shows such as Dragons’ Den and The Apprentice.

Last night, leading figure in the business world Deborah Meaden said: “If this lad is showing entrepreneurial spirit so young, then what we should be doing is, rather than dampen it, find some way of encouraging it in the right way and bringing that within the school as a way of getting other kids fired up.”

His parents, Gary, 33, an office worker, and Tracy, also 33, a gym manager, said they would struggle to support their son through university on their own. “He’s a typical teenage boy who saw what he wanted and worked hard for it,” said Mr Rose. “He realised that if you want to get ahead in business and in life, you have to start at a young age. I could only dream of making that sort of money at his age.”

1- Fill in the table with information from the text. 3 marks

Name	Age	Fortune	Ambition
Tommie Rose

2- Answer the following questions with reference to the text. 3 marks.

a. How does Tommie manage to make profits?

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b. Why do teachers disapprove of the enterprise?

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c. Where does Tommie’s inspiration come from?

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3- These sentences are false. Correct them with details from the text. 2 marks

a. Tommie’s teachers do not recognize his talent.

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b. It is the first time Tommie starts a business.

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4- Choose the best explanation to the underlined expressions. 2 marks

❖ “..bringing that within the school as a way of getting other kids fired up.” (Pg 4) means:

- a. Getting other kids expelled
- b. Getting other kids frustrated
- c. Getting other kids motivated

❖ I could only dream of making that sort of money at his age. (Pg 5) means:

- a. It was impossible for me to make such a fortune at his age.
- b. I was able to make such a fortune at his age.
- c. I never dreamt of making such a fortune at his age.

5- Cross out the **one** adjective that doesn’t apply to Tommie. 1 mark

Self-reliant - ambitious - clever - ruthless - hardworking - determined -

6- What do the underlined words in the text refer to? 2 marks

- a. These (pg 2):
- b. It (pg4):

7- Find a word in the text meaning : 1mark.

1/ Choose the right alternative.**3marks**

At 14, José Ángel Salazar, the youngest conductor in the world, has recently been appointed to direct Venezuelan youth orchestra.

Salazar has up to 80 musicians in the Youth Orchestra at his command, of **(which / whose / whom)** more than half are older than he is. "I've been invited to conduct other orchestras **(making up / made up / were made up)** of adults and it's easier," he said. But **(although / because of / despite)** showing a maturity that seems well **(beyond / below / among)** his years, Salazar can find his job challenging. The son of schoolteachers, **(neither/ both / either)** he nor anyone in his family had much exposure to classical music, let alone formal music training. "I went to a brass concert with my dad and grandfather and I cried three times," he said. **(While / Whereas / However)** most children his age would have wept from boredom, Salazar said he felt amazed. His favourite composer is Schubert.

2/ Put the words in brackets in the right tense or form.**3.5 marks.**

What is Montessori education and what makes it unique from traditional early childhood programs? Why do parents, despite the variety of modern schools, still choose Montessori schools for their young children and especially what **(it / offer)** any child?

Felicia explains: "We love Grand Lake Montessori and are keeping our daughter there for kindergarten. The school is a **(pleasure)** example of how Montessori methods support the whole child as he explores the world in multiple dimensions. I **(know)**nothing about Montessori when we started there and am constantly moved by how much our daughter **(love)** her teachers and the environment. She has grown as an independent **(think)** and a creative person while there. It is a nurturing environment both in its flexible, caring approach and with its very strong and consistent staff. There is **(commit)** to providing financial aid and there is significant diversity among teachers and student body. We like it so much that recently my family **(inspire)** to join the effort to start a public Montessori elementary school in Berkley."

3/ Fill in the blanks with the right words from the box. There are 2 extras.**3.5 marks**

"*Make new friends, but keep the old, one is silver and the other's gold.*" So says the song from our childhood, and I imagine that most of us would agree with the sentiment.

A circle of ----- friends and strong family ties can boost a person's health more than exercise, losing ----- or quitting cigarettes and alcohol, psychologists say.

-----people seem to reap extra-----from their relationships by feeling less stressed, taking better care of themselves and having ----- risky lifestyles than those who are more -----.

A review of studies into the impact of relationships on health found that people had a 50% better survival rate if they -----to a wider social group, be it friends, neighbours, relatives or a mix of these.

The striking impact of social connections on wellbeing has led researchers to call on health officials to take loneliness as seriously as other health risks, such as alcoholism and smoking.

Shy / belonged / sociable / more / close / less / weight / rewards / isolated

1/ Use the notes below to write a short biography of American singer Lady Gaga

5 marks

- Birth: March the 28th, 1986
- Education: New York art college
- Inspiration: David Bowie, Blondie and Madonna
- 2008: becoming famous / winning many awards.(2 Grammy Awards + the 2014 Billboard Music Awards)
- 2010: Time magazine's list of the 100 most influential people in the world
- Charity: \$500,000 for the Haiti earthquake.

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Essay :

10marks

James Wright, 15, a student at Oak School wrote on his school Facebook page: "In the age of Google, when information is available anywhere at any time, going to school is no longer important". Write an article to be published in your school magazine to express your opinion about this statement.



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I'm too busy working on my own grass to notice if yours is greener.