

**Language: (12 marks)**

**1- Put the bracketed words in the right tense or form. (4 marks)**

I am a mother of two wonderful children aged 13 and 14. They **(live)**..... primarily with me since I divorced their father 12 years ago. Their father has always done the bare minimum, only taking the kids on his scheduled weekends, **(allow)**.....me always to care about all their school, social and personal needs. He's never even taken them to get a haircut. One year ago their father **(remarry)** .....for the third time to a woman who never had kids of her own. His new wife has made it her mission to replace me. This new stepmother, who is unemployed and has no friends or hobbies, has devoted her life to taking my kids from me. She has even listed them on her Facebook account as her son and daughter. My daughter has told her step mother that it displeases her when she tries to act like her mom but her feelings fall on deaf ears. Their father and his wife are **(current)**.....fighting for full charge of my children who do not want **(live)**..... with them. Their argument is "the kids are **(good)**..... off in a two parent household than a one parent household. Yes, I am a single mother but my children are **(satisfy)**.....with their situation and I am maintaining a healthy and friendly relationship with them, providing them with love, **(guide)**..... and care.

**2- Fill in the blanks with words from the list. There are two extra words. (4 marks)**

**touch - inseparable - back - keep - lose - deeper- but - password - logged - reunion -**

It all started in 1986 after Jane lost touch with her best friend from school, Julie. The two friends had been ..... throughout their school years and in their early adult lives. However, when Jane was 27, Julie married and moved away from the local area. After keeping in..... for a few years they eventually drifted apart. While their busy lives lead them to ..... contact, Jane always wondered what had happened to Julie. In 2009 Jane, a mother of two children, started trying to find her friend by writing to her old address, but in vain. Then she tried calling the old number she had for Julie..... nobody knew of her news. One day, Jane decided to call Julie's old phone number just one more time. A gentleman answered and told her to try the Friends Reunited website. Jane ..... on quickly and found her old friend's email address. She sent her an email and minutes later Jane received an email simply saying "Is that really you Jane?" Jane and Julie have at last met up for the first time in two decades. Jane says of the ....., "It's so amazing to have found each other again. It's like I've got a sister.....Now we meet every weekend and our friendship is getting..... I can't thank friends Reunited website enough. "

**3- Circle the right alternative. (4 marks)**

A report by Pew Internet & American Life Project with the University of Michigan shows that American teenagers use texting (SMS) to communicate with their friends. In particular, the use of SMS to contact each other is far more **(common-ashamed-timid)** than face to face communication, telephone, chat or e-mail. A psychologist from MIT considers that this **(addict-addiction-addicted)** often stops teenagers from maturing and becoming independent from their parents. It happens frequently that every decision the kids have to take is consulted with parents via mobile, so they progressively become unwilling to decide for **(themselves-them-their)**. Many teachers say their students tend **(write-writing-to write)** words that are easy to contract, the ones they use in their SMS, reducing their vocabulary. However, we have to admit that there are advantages. The SMS and mobiles allow parents to **(ease-control-confess)** their children well by calling

them at any time and **(get-to get-getting)** more information about where they are and what they are doing. **(Thanks to-Despite-As a result)** this media, young people establish relationships with colleagues and stay **(at-in-off)** regular contact. In addition, SMS help teens enter a globalized world characterized by communication through new technologies.

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