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Section 1 Comprehension I (14 marks)

Read the following article carefully and answer the questions **in complete sentences.**

David writes a story about detective called Frank for a school project.

The Detective

Frank was exhausted. After all, he had been a detective for nearly thirty years. But it was his last day at the office, and he felt a deep sadness because he had to say goodbye to all of his friends. He arrived at exactly ten minutes to nine, as always, and then made himself a cup of coffee before going to sit at his desk to start work at exactly nine o' clock. Frank was always punctual and took his work very seriously.

The day passed without incident until ten minutes to five when Frank's telephone rang. He picked **it** up, wondering who it could be.

"Hello?" he said.

"Hello Frank, it's Jimmy." Jimmy was Frank's boss and a very important man. "We need you to work on a new case."

"But I'm retiring today! I'm not solving cases anymore."

"I know, but we really need you."

"I don't understand...why?"

"Because you're the best detective in town, that's why. It's up to you, Frank, but we really need your help."

Frank was reluctant to agree; he had been looking forward to retirement for so long. But it sounded like they really needed him.

"Alright Jimmy...I'll do it. I'll take on one last case."

1. Why was Frank feeling a deep sadness when he arrived at work? (2 marks)

2. How long did it take Frank to make a cup of coffee? (2 marks)

3. Why did Jimmy want Frank to work on the new case? (2 marks)

4. Why was Frank reluctant to agree to work on the case? (2 marks)

5. What word in the story has the same meaning as "very tired"? (2 marks)

6. What does "it" in line 8 refer to? (2 marks)

7. Which of the following is **not** true of the story above? (2 marks)

- a. It was Frank's last day at work before retirement.
- b. Frank started working at exactly ten minutes to nine.
- c. Jimmy asked Frank to work on one last case.
- d. Frank always took his work very seriously.



Section 2 Comprehension II (5 marks)

In the story, Frank puts copies of the document below up all around town.

WANTED!

The police are trying to catch a criminal known as Dangerous Mike who has stolen \$50,000 from a local bank. If you have any information please contact the police station immediately by calling 6789 4321. There is a reward of \$1000 for any information that leads directly to the arrest of the criminal. Below is a description:

Height: 6ft.

Build: Very fat.

Notable features: Big beard.

Thank you for your cooperation.

1. What is the text type of the text above? Write the letter in the box provided. (1 mark)

- a) A brochure
- b) A menu
- c) A poster
- d) A book

2. Who are the police trying to catch? (1 mark)

3. What is the reward for information leading to the arrest of the criminal? (1 mark)

4. What should people do if they have any information? (1 mark)

5. How tall is the criminal? (1 mark)

Section 3 Preposition (10 marks)

Fill in the blanks with **suitable prepositions**.

David writes an entry from Frank's diary.

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I was so excited (1) my retirement, but now it looks like I'll be waiting (2) that day a little longer. I was going to have a retirement party (3) Saturday (4) seven o' clock, but I suppose that it will have to be cancelled.

I have saved up all my money (5) my retirement. I plan to travel (6) the world, and maybe live (7) another country for a while. But most of all, I want to spend more time (8) my family.

I suppose I am happy to help (9) this last case because people are (10) trouble, but I hope that it doesn't take too long.

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____
- 4. _____
- 5. _____
- 6. _____
- 7. _____
- 8. _____
- 9. _____
- 10. _____

Section 4 Tenses (10 marks)

Fill in the blanks with **the correct form of the verbs** given.

The story continues below.

Frank (1. work) in his office when the phone rang.
"Hello Frank." It was Jimmy. "Dangerous Mike (2. visit) the bank on Main Street last night and (3. steal) \$30,000."
"Oh no! I (4. finish) some paperwork now but as soon as it's done, I (5. go) to the bank and investigate."
Frank got in his car and drove to the bank. A young policeman was already there.
"Hello, sir. Thank you for coming," said the young policeman.
"I usually (6. play) tennis at this time but I have had to come here instead," said a frustrated Frank. "I (7. play) next week instead."
"Sorry about that sir."
"Don't worry, it's not your fault. When (8.) Dangerous Mike (8. break) in last night?"
"He (9. break) in at about three o' clock in the morning. Nobody (10. know) what happened yet," the young policeman said nervously.
"Well then, we will have to work it out."

1.	_____
2.	_____
3.	_____
4.	_____
5.	_____
6.	_____
7.	_____
8.	_____
9.	_____
10.	_____

Section 5 Riddle (2 marks)

Work out the two riddles below.

Detectives have to be good at solving puzzles, so David likes to try and solve riddles.

1.
I can be hot or cold.
You can turn me on and off.
I drip and flow.
What am I?

Answer: A _____

2.
You can drive me on roads.
You have to pay to use me.
I can carry a lot of people.
I only go to certain places.
What am I?

Answer: A _____

Section 6 Proofreading (6 marks)

Read the following instructions and then correct the sentences below. There is one mistake in each sentence.

- a. **Missing word** – Draw an arrow (^) and write the missing word in the answer column.
- b. **Extra word** – Cross out (X) the extra word and write it in the answer column.
- c. **Wrong word(s) / Spelling mistake** – Underline the wrong word(s)/spelling mistake and write the correct answer in the answer column.

1. David created a detectives called Frank.	1. _____
2. Frank has been a detective for the thirty years.	2. _____
3. David wants to be detective when he grows.	3. _____
4. David enjoys writing stories detectives.	4. _____
5. David's character Frank went to the bank and investigate.	5. _____
6. David hasn't not got a good singing voice.	6. _____

Section 7 Sequencing (10 marks)

Put these sentence into the correct order.

Question 1

- a. Then suddenly Frank had a brilliant idea about how to catch the thief.
- b. Frank was agitated. No one had come forward with any information.
- c. He immediately called Jimmy to tell him about it.
- d. It had been three weeks since the investigation had begun.
- e. After all that time he still didn't have any answers.

The correct order is:

Question 2

- a. He immediately arrested Dangerous Mike — his final case was over.
- b. While he was playing his first game, Frank arrived.
- c. Frank's idea to catch the thief was to hold a chess tournament.
- d. Sure enough he signed up to the tournament.
- e. He knew that Dangerous Mike loved chess and that he wouldn't be able to resist.

The correct order is:

Section 8 Question Words (4 marks)

Fill in the blanks in the conversation with "What", "Why", "How many", "When". Each word should be used **once** only.

Frank: Well I did it, I caught the criminal.
Jimmy: Thank you, Frank! (1) weeks did it take in the end?
Frank: About three. Now I can finally retire.
Jimmy: (2) are you going to do when you retire?
Frank: I'm going to travel, and spend more time with my family. My first stop is Brazil.
Jimmy: That sounds fantastic! (3) will you be going?
Frank: Next week, I've booked it already.
Jimmy: Great. (4) have you chosen Brazil?
Frank: Because I've always wanted to go there since being a child.
Jimmy: Well I hope you have a wonderful time. Goodbye, Frank.
Frank: Goodbye, Jimmy.

1.	_____
2.	_____
3.	_____
4.	_____

Section 9 How far.../How long... (4 marks)

Complete the conversation with questions starting with "How far..." or "How long...".

The Police asks for advice from Frank.

1. Police: _____?
Frank: The stolen money is five kilometres from here.

2. Police: _____?
Frank: You should remain in a crime scene to search for evidence for at least five days..

3. Police: _____?
Frank: I have been a detective for thirty years..

4. Police: _____?
Frank: My retirement home is only two blocks away from the police station. Don't come to find me for cases, though!

Section 10 When/While (6 marks)

Match the sentences in the left box with the sentences in the right box.

Frank is enjoying his retirement trip.

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| 1. Frank enjoyed the view of the sky | (1.)_____ |
| 2. Frank stayed at a five star hotel | (2.)_____ |
| 3. Frank was overjoyed | (3.)_____ |
| 4. Frank had a stomachache | (4.)_____ |
| 5. Frank realized he missed his work as a detective | (5.)_____ |
| 6. Frank thus stayed close to the local police | (6.)_____ |

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| A. | while he was staying in Brazil. |
| B. | when he saw a crime being committed on the streets. |
| C. | when he tried one of the local dishes. |
| D. | while he was providing them with advice. |
| E. | while he was on the plane. |
| F. | when the hotel informed him that he had won a lucky draw. |

Section 11 Ordering Events (5 marks)

Fill in each of the blanks in the following passage with words in the box below. Each word should be used **once** only.

Frank speaks of his retirement trip.

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| After that | First | Next | Finally | Then |
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(1.)_____, I was relieved to escape my workbench. (2.)_____, I had a nice time relaxing in Brazil. (3.)_____, I saw a robbery going on at a tourist spot and helped defeat the robbers. (4.)_____, I missed my work as a detective who protects people. (5.)_____, I resumed my work as a detective.