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**Section 1      Comprehension I (14 marks)**

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

Below is a story about a Pirate called Pete.

**Pete the Pirate**

Pete was not the most famous pirate in the world. In fact, no one had ever heard of him, mainly because he was the worst pirate in history. He had never found any treasure, he had never captained a ship and, worst of all, he didn't even have a pet parrot. He had wanted to explore the ocean looking for treasure since he was a little boy, but he had never been able to afford to buy a ship and he didn't want to steal one like most other pirates.

One day, he was about to finally give up and go to work as a chef in the local pub (he was a skilled cook) when something unexpected happened. As he was walking along the beach, his shoe hit something hard under the sand. "It's probably just a rock..." thought Pete, but he felt compelled to examine it. He brushed away the sand that was covering it and then froze in shock. He had found a treasure chest.

Immediately Pete hauled **it** out of the sand and ran straight back to his room, faster than he ever had. When he arrived, he placed the chest carefully down on his table. He used a hammer to smash open the lock, and then he waited, savouring the moment. Finally, he opened the lid. He expected gold or diamonds. Suddenly his eyes beheld...

Coconuts.

"Well," Pete said to himself, "perhaps this is a sign that I should become a chef after all..."

1. Why had no one ever heard of Pete? (2 marks)

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

2. How long had Pete wanted to explore the ocean looking for treasure? (2 marks)

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

3. Where was Pete planning to get a job? (2 marks)

\_\_\_\_\_

4. What was Pete expecting to find in the treasure chest? (2 marks)

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5. What word in the passage has the same meaning as "well-known"? (2 marks)

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6. What does "it" in line 12 refer to? (2 marks)

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

- a. Pete was the most famous pirate in the world.
- b. Pete couldn't afford to buy a ship.
- c. Pete was a skilled cook.
- d. Pete used a hammer to break open the treasure chest.



Section 2 Comprehension II (5 marks)

A. Read the card below and give **short answers** to the questions.

Below is a document that Pete creates for the local pub.

**THE PEG-LEG PUB**

*Open Tuesday - Saturday, 10am - 11pm*

Meals

*Cod and Chips.....\$7*  
*Scampi and Chips.....\$8*  
*Lobster and Chips.....\$10*

Drinks

*Beer .....\$3*  
*(large is an extra \$1)*  
*Rum .....\$5*

*For more information please contact Pete.*

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

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

2. On what days is the café closed? (1 mark)

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3. What food comes with all the meals? (1 mark)

\_\_\_\_\_

4. How much is a large beer? (1 mark)

\_\_\_\_\_

5. What should customers do if they want more information? (1 mark)

\_\_\_\_\_

**Section 3**      Preposition (10 marks)

Below is a letter from Pete to his mother.

Dear Mum,

When I was a child, I always used to say that when I grew  
\_\_ (1) \_\_ I wanted to travel \_\_ (2) \_\_ the world as a pirate. I have  
been waiting \_\_ (3) \_\_ that day to come, but now I have finally  
decided to become a chef instead. I am being interviewed for a  
job at the Peg-Leg Pub \_\_ (4) \_\_ Saturday and I am very excited  
\_\_ (5) \_\_ it — I always used to enjoy helping \_\_ (6) \_\_ cooking at  
home. I am going to live \_\_ (7) \_\_ a new house too. I think that it  
is better that I'm not a pirate! Pirates are always fighting \_\_ (8) \_\_  
themselves and they're often \_\_ (9) \_\_ trouble. In fact, I want to  
apologise \_\_ (10) \_\_ not becoming a chef sooner!

Love from Pete

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.

Below is an entry from Pete's diary.

12th May

I (1. walk) along the beach yesterday when I (2. find) a treasure chest. Unfortunately, it (3. be) full of coconuts! This made me think that I shouldn't be a pirate after all, and so now I (4. look) for a new career in cooking. A week ago I (5. not want) to be a chef, but now I (6. think) that it is for the best. This Saturday I (7. try) to get a job at the Peg-Leg Pub in town. I think that I (8. do) quite well. But at the moment I (9. test) my recipes to make sure that they are perfect. I (10. hope) that I get the job!

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 Pete likes to try and solve riddles.

1.

I am a box.

You watch me and listen to me.

I fit into your living room.

What am I?

Answer: A \_\_\_\_\_

2.

I am wet.

I come down.

I do not go up.

I was once a cloud.

What am I?

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

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. Pete has wanted to be a pirate all his <u>lives</u> .	1. _____
2. He didn't not want to become a chef for a long time.	2. _____
3. He has an interview at the Peg-Leg Pub <u>in</u> Saturday.	3. _____
4. He is testing out recipes while waiting his interview.	4. _____
5. He hopes that he will get the job at a the Peg-Leg Pub.	5. _____
6. Pete wants to live a new house.	6. _____

Section 7 Sequencing (10 marks)

Put these sentence into the correct order.

Question 1

- a. He was asked to start working there straight away.
- b. He was very nervous — what if they didn't like his food?
- c. Since then all the townspeople have loved the food at the pub.
- d. Pete went to be interviewed for a job at the Peg-Leg Pub.
- e. Thankfully, though, the interviewers thought that it was delicious.

The correct order is:

Question 2

- a. Luckily for Pete, coconuts are his favourite food.
- b. When Pete was a young boy, he wanted to captain a ship.
- c. He did eventually, but it wasn't what he expected.
- d. He also wanted to find buried treasure.
- e. He would have called it "The Jewel of the Seas".

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.

**Interviewer:** So, Pete, (1) have you applied for this job?  
**Pete:** Because I am a very good chef.  
**Interviewer:** And for (2) years have you wanted to be a chef?  
**Pete:** Well, not many. In fact, I wanted to be a pirate until last week.  
**Interviewer:** Oh! (3) made you change your mind?  
**Pete:** I found some coconuts on the beach.  
**Interviewer:** How odd... Anyway, your food is delicious and so we would like to offer you the job.  
**Pete:** That's wonderful news.  
**Interviewer:** (4) can you start?  
**Pete:** Immediately!

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

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

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

Pete talks to pirates while working at the pub.

1. Pete: \_\_\_\_\_?

Pirate: It's about a few miles from the harbour to the nearest island.

2. Pete: \_\_\_\_\_?

Pirate: It's been nearly two years since I last found treasure.

3. Pete: \_\_\_\_\_?

Pirate: It's about five miles from here to the nearest shipwreck.

4. Pete: \_\_\_\_\_?

Pirate: A sea voyage usually lasts for six months.

Section 10 When/While (5 marks)

Fill in each of the blanks in the following passage with “When” or “While”.

Pete is making new recipes for the pub.

To prepare a nice fruit punch, crush ice cubes (1.)\_\_\_\_\_ you are mixing in frozen fruit before adding them to a large wooden jar. The fruit punch is best served (2.)\_\_\_\_\_ it is just freshly made.

For the spicy pizza, add in the red chili at regular intervals before the blue ones (3.)\_\_\_\_\_ you are mixing the dough. Cook them on a pan and set to cool (4.)\_\_\_\_\_ they are golden yellow in colour..

Cod should not be served (5.)\_\_\_\_\_ their eyes show a murky silver colour. No rotten fruits are allowed in the container while fresh ones should not be stored for more than a week.

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.

Pete is dreaming of expanding his catering business.

Then

Next

First

Finally

After that

(1.)\_\_\_\_\_, I'll have to buy a new place to build my second pub. (2.)\_\_\_\_\_, I'll have to employ new chefs and waiters to help me. (3.)\_\_\_\_\_, we can start to build a reputation among the pirates. (4.)\_\_\_\_\_, we'll have to find more fishermen and farmers to provide us with sufficient supplies for expanding our business even more. (5.)\_\_\_\_\_, we'll be able to be both rich and famous!