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Reading Comprehension

1- Read the passage, then answer the following questions:

How often one hears children wishing they were grown up, and old people wishing they were young again. Each age has its pleasure and its pains, and the happiest person is the one who enjoys what each age gives him without wasting his time in useless regrets.

Childhood is a time where there are few responsibilities to make life difficult. If a child has good parents, he is fed, looked after and loved, whatever he may do. It is improbable * that he will ever again in his life be given so much without having to do anything in return. In addition, life is always presenting new things to the child-things that have lost their interest for older people because they are too well-known. A child finds pleasure in playing in the rain, or in the snow. His first visit to the seaside is a marvelous adventure. But a child has his pains: he is not so free to do as he wishes as he thinks older people are; he is continually being told not to do things, or being punished for what he has done wrong. His life is therefore not perfectly happy.

When the young man starts to earn his own'2 living, he becomes free from the discipline of school and parents; but as the same time he is forced to accept responsibilities. He can no longer expect others to pay for his food, his clothes, and his room, but has to work if he wants to live comfortably. If he spends most of his time playing about in the way that he used to break the laws of his parents, he may go to prison. If, however, he works hard, keeps out of trouble has good health, he can have the great happiness of seeing himself make steady progress in his job and of building up for himself his own position in society.*

Old age ago always been thought of as the worst age to be; but it is not necessary for the old to be unhappy. With old age should come wisdom and the ability to help others with advice wisely given. The old man have the joy of seeing their children making progress in life, they can watch their grandchildren growing up around them; and, perhaps best of all, they can, if their life has been a useful one, feel the happiness of having come through the battle of life safely and of

having reached a time when they can be back and rest, leaving others to continue the fight.

Answer the following questions: [7 Marks]

I- Give the following another word or phrase with the similar meaning to that used in the passage:

- a-responsibilities b-adventure c-discipline
d-playing about e-wisdom

II- Explain the meaning of the following phrases, marked * in the piece:

- a- It is improbable.
b- Building up for himself his own position in society.

III- Answer the following questions using your own words as far as possible:

- a- What kind of person is the happiest according to the author?
b- What things are mentioned that the child enjoys very much?
c- What may happen if the young man breaks the law?
d- What are the pleasures of old people?

Writing

IV- Write a summary of the previous piece, use your own words as far as possible. Be sure not to miss anything out. Do not use more than 80 words. [Two Marks]

Translation

V- Translate the Second paragraph of the previous piece into Arabic.

[3 Marks]

Grammar

VI- Rewrite the following sentences using words between brackets:

[3 Marks]

- 1- I can't understand how he was able to keep awake. [managed to]
2- Whenever I'm busy, I forget the time. [always]
3- He didn't see the beginning of the movie because he arrived late. [happened to]

VII- Do as shown in Brackets:

[5 Marks]

- 1- Jack's friends are going to the park to play soccer. Jack wants to play too, but he has a broken toe, so he is on crutches. [Make two sentences using can and can't]
2- I ought to drive long distance. [Put this sentence in the negative form]
3- Would you please open the door? [Answer this question twice using affirmative and negative form]

*With My Best Wishes,
Omnia Ramadan*

The Answer

Reading Comprehension

- I- a- Duty.
b- Venture.
c- Correction / Politeness.
d- Behave in a joking way / take part in a game.
e- Intellect / Have good judgment.

- II- a- Unlikely to take place.
b- To achieve his goals in life.

III- a- The happiest person is the one who enjoys what each age gives him without wasting his time in useless regrets.

b- The child finds pleasure in playing in the rain, or in the snow. His first visit to the seaside is a marvelous adventure.

c- He may go to prison.

d- Old people have the joy of seeing their children making progress in life, they can watch their grandchildren growing up around them; and they can feel the happiness of having come through the battle of life safely and of having reached a time when they can be back and rest, leaving others to continue the fight.

Writing

IV- The happiest person is the one who enjoys what each age gives him. Childhood is the time of the few responsibilities. The child has many things that make him happy like playing in the rain or snow and visiting the sea, but also he has pains as he is not free to do everything he wants. When the young man is free of the discipline of his parents but he has to work to earn money. The old age was thought to be the worst time but they can have joy seeing their children making progress in life and reached the time when they can rest.

Translation

V-

يوجد في فترة الطفولة القليل من المسؤوليات التي تجعل الحياة صعبة . إذا كان الطفل لديه آباء جيدين، ويطعموه، ويعتنوا به، ويحبوه، وكل ما يمكن القيام به. ومن غير المحتمل أنه في أي وقت أحر في حياته أن يأخذ الكثير دون الحاجة إلى القيام بأي شيء في المقابل . بالإضافة إلى ذلك، الحياة دائما تقدم أشياء جديدة إلى الطفل وهي أشياء فقدت اهتمامها عند كبار السن لأنه معروفه بالنسبة لهم، حيث يجد الطفل متعة في اللعب تحت المطر، أو في الثلج. وتعتبر أول زيارة له إلى شاطئ البحر مغامرة رائعة. ولكن لدى الطفل آلام خاصة به:مثل إنه ليس لديه الحرية للقيام بما يشاء كما يعتقد انها لدى الأكبر سنا. يقال له باستمرار انه يجب عليه ألا يفعل أشياء بعينها، أو يعاقب على ما قام به خطأ. لذا حياته ليست سعيدة تماما.

Grammar

VI- 1- I can't understand how he managed to keep awake.

2- Whenever I'm busy, I always forget the time.

3- He didn't see the beginning of the movie because he happened to arrive late.

VII- 1- Jack can see his friends playing soccer.

- Jack cannot play with his friends because he has a broken toe.

2- I should not drive long distance.

3- Of course, I'd be happy / Sure.

- I'm sorry but I can't.