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Le sujet comporte 4 pages numérotées de 1 sur 4 à 4 sur 4

I. READING COMPREHENSION

THE TEXT

1. I had a lot of illnesses when I was young, and wasn't at school very often. I was bright, but I would skive a lot. I left when I was 15, before I'd taken my GCSEs. Around that time, I met my son's dad, and at 19, I fell pregnant. It was a bad, violent relationship that made me live in fear all the time. I wanted to go back to college but never stuck anything out. My life was getting more and more chaotic – I started taking drugs and committing crimes to get money. It came to an awful stop in 2004 when I received a life sentence.
2. Going to prison was horrific. I was in shock. I wouldn't say anything or know anyone. I would take all sorts of concoctions to get me obliterated. But I owe it all to dad. He would write to me every week saying: "Emma, education, education, education." At a point, I must have started listening. It was when the prison began offering more than just the basic classes that I took GCSEs in English and Sociology. Later, I decided to apply to do a degree in English Literature.
3. Such an accomplishment was far from easy in prison. At first, I was embarrassed about going to library and would hide books. However, when I started to care less, I noticed other girls start trying as well, asking me for advice on stuff. Some even looked to me as an example. If I were talking to the inmates in there, I would say there's this enormous sense of achievement every time you hit a target or deadline. When you have been in abusive relationships, achieving something makes a massive difference to your confidence.
4. I came out of prison earlier this year. I'm volunteering with two charities at present. Being myself a victim of domestic abuse, I'm now working with women who go through the same ordeal. This way, I've managed to stop many people from ending up where I did. I feel a million miles away from that person now. I have a great relationship with my son. My dad has my degree certificate on his wall at home. I probably did it all for them as much as for me. I would urge anyone in prison to value themselves and their own worth.

prisonerseducation.org.uk

30 May, 2019

[Adapted]



Section : N° d'inscription : Série :

Nom et Prénom :

Date et lieu de naissance :

Signatures des surveillants

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I. COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (15 marks)

1. Tick (✓) the most appropriate title. (1 mark)

- a. A sharp fall to drug dependence
- b. An upward climb through self-worth
- c. A lengthy journey through celebrity

2. For each of the following statements, pick out ONE detail from the text showing that it is false. (3 marks)

- a. Emma got along pretty well with her partner. (paragraph 1)
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- b. Emma feels ungrateful to her father. (paragraph 2)
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- c. Emma's father was indifferent to her success. (paragraph 4)
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3. Complete this cause-effect chart with reference to paragraphs 1, 2 and 4. (4 marks)

Cause	Effect
.....	not regularly attending school
The father insisted Emma continue her education.	a b
Emma volunteers to work with women who suffer from domestic abuse.

4. Circle the two adjectives that best apply to Emma. (2 marks)

- a. strong-willed b. pessimistic c. inconsiderate d. altruistic

5. Find words in the text meaning nearly the same as: (2 marks)

- a. leave without permission (paragraph 1) =
- b. prisoners (paragraph 3) =

6. What do the underlined words in the text refer to? (2 marks)

- a. there (paragraph 3)
- b. them (paragraph 4)

7. Give a personal justified answer to the following question. (1 mark)

Do you think enabling prisoners like Emma to resume education would make them less likely to commit future crimes? Why? Why not?

I think enabling prisoners like Emma to resume education make them less likely to commit crimes because



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II. Writing (15 marks)

1. Use the notes below to write a 5-line paragraph about Sydney Festival. (5 marks)

Type	biggest cultural event / Australia
Foundation	January / 1977
Venue	Sydney Opera House
Occurrence and audience	annual / 3 weeks / attract around 1 million visitors
Cultural performances	more than 80 shows: drama / dance / visual arts

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2. In one of your favourite Facebook groups called **Support our brains to stay home**, you have read the following statement: "Many highly-skilled and qualified people emigrate to developed countries looking for better living and working conditions."

Do you think these people are doing good to their countries or rather causing them harm? Write a 12-line post to express your opinion about the issue, supporting it with 3 sound arguments at least. (10 marks)

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III. Language (10 marks)

1. Fill in the blanks with 7 words from the box below. (3.5 marks)

properly / experts / seek / save / crisis / safe / findings / increasing / result

Hospitals admission for eating disorders have risen 37% across all age groups in the last two years, figures show. Psychiatrists and in eating disorders say the figures are worrying and show that more needs to be done to support people before they reach point. Dr Agnes Ayton, of the faculty of eating disorders at the Royal College of Psychiatrists, said the rise was an alarming sign that the problem was not being treated in its early stages. She also said that "the causes are complex, and much more research needs to be done in light of these Anecdotally, reasons could include pressures on children in schools, and advertisements encouraging unrealistic ideas of body image. Hospitalization is the tip of the iceberg. In fact, people do not often help early enough. As a result, they reach a critical state when it's not to manage their treatment in the community."

2. Put the bracketed words in the correct tense or form. (3.5 marks)

An Australian couple family of four is setting a new standard for what a family holiday looks like as they travel the world while their kids are off their school. So far, Dale, Catherine and their two children **(visit)** more than 85 countries in total. The family first **(begin)** travelling together in 2009. "It was **(challenge)** for the first couple of years, especially with having two kids under the age of three," Dale said. "However, thankfully, my wife Catherine is an excellent **(plan)**", he added.

Dale and Catherine were **(inspire)** by the book *The Four Hour Workweek*. It was about taking mini-retirements all throughout your life instead of waiting until you're 65 to retire and explore the world. "This meant we **(work)** two months in Australia and travel for one month. We've been doing that for years now as there is **(certain)** so much value in allowing my kids to experience new cultures and people. They learn more than they could ever learn in only a traditional classroom setting," Dale concluded.

3. Circle the right option. (3 marks)

Christine Townsley has always been a resourceful person, sometimes holding down three part-time jobs at once to support her children. However, having left school at 14 with no **(scholarships / applications / qualifications)**, she thought she would never get more than low-paid jobs. But then, when she and her husband were made redundant, they came **(in / across / about)** a leaflet at the job centre for a course in customer care. Christine, in her late forties at that time, was **(so / too / very)** terrified of going to college that she was only prepared to try it for a day. However, that was enough to get her **(bored / dismissed / hooked)**. She went from one course to another and won the adult learners' award in 2002. Learning not only gave her the skills to do more **(rewarding / rewardingly / unrewarding)** jobs but also the confidence to apply and perform well in interviews. Since then, she **(worked / has worked / is working)** in offices, run her own successful café business with her husband, and got involved in campaigning on local issues with her community.

