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Answer all the questions on this paper.

SECTION A: SPEECH AND GRAMMAR. /10mks

I- Choose the word that does not have the same vowel sound and write it in the space provided. /2.5mks

Diet	quiet	height	thief	riot	_____
Lead	bread	head	dead	deaf	_____
Rice	thrice	find	twice	favourite	_____
Long	strong	lonely	become	wrong	_____
Suffer	uncle	umbrella	users	us	_____

II- Choose from the words or phrases in brackets the one which better completes the sentence. Write it in the space provided. /2.5mks

- The doctor advised us _____ take quinine every hour. (don't / to not / not to / didn't)
- The room was full _____ old furniture. (with / of / from / in)
- He is a very good student, so he makes very _____ mistakes (little / few / many / several)
- What is her job? She is _____ university teacher. (a / an / some / one).
- When we arrived, the lesson _____ (has already begun / already began / had already begun / begins already)

III- Match the items under column A with those under column B so that the sentences make sense. Write the answers in the space provided. /5mks

Column A	Column B
1) We will stay at this job _____	a) Than we have expected.
2) Over there is a girl _____	b) To the radio when she heard news.
3) This examination is easier _____	c) Unless they know the code.
4) No one can open this door _____	d) Whose name I can't remember
5) Mary was listening _____	e) Until we find a better one

- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____

SECTION B: VOCABULARY /10mks

I- Write the compound nouns next to the sentence. Use one word from each box each time. Write the answers in the space provided. /5mks

Bus – computer – post – Tennis – car – flower

Shop – park – office – ball – games – stop

Ex: You play tennis with this. Tennis ball

- You can get on or off a bus here: _____
- You can play these with a friend: _____
- You can buy stamps and post letters there: _____
- You can leave your car here: _____
- You can buy your flowers here: _____

II- Complete these sentences with the correct form of the word in brackets. /2.5mks

- Have you seen this _____? (advertise)
- He watched a great film with female _____ (act)
- Is English your _____ subject? (bad)
- The weather was perfect. It was warm and _____ (sun)
- My parents were _____ in Yaounde. (birth)

III- Complete with the most suitable word or phrase from those given in brackets. /2.5mks

- Bissa has a very interesting _____. She collects stamps. (fun / hobby / play / game)
- We travelled down the _____ by boat to the sea. (creek / ocean / river / stream)
- Mrs Mbassi _____ us Geography. (teaches / learns / studies / giving)
- We have finished _____ the washing-up. (do / make / doing / to make)
- What is the difference _____ "say" and "tell"? (of / between / from / by)

SECTION C: COMPREHENSION

/10mks

Read the text below carefully and answer the questions that follow it.

When did the Europeans first find out about quinine?

Quinine is a traditional medicine of the South American Indians. They have used it for centuries as a cure for malaria. When Europeans first went to South America, they got malaria and became very sick. Many died because at that time they didn't know about the traditional cure.

Last century doctors working in South America noticed something very interesting about malaria. Most foreigners got the disease, but most Indians didn't get it. What was the reason for this? The doctors asked the Indians why they didn't get malaria. The answer was very simple. The Indians told the doctors about their traditional cure.

The doctors wanted to know where quinine came from. The Indians showed the doctors how to get quinine from the bark of the cinchona tree. Then the doctors asked the Indians how they used quinine. The Indians explained how they mixed the bark with water to make a drink. This was very important discovery. Quinine is a traditional medicine that works.

Today millions of people use quinine to cure malaria. They also take care to prevent malaria by removing stagnant water, and spraying to kill mosquitoes. Clean houses and mosquito nets also help. Quinine can be used to cure the disease, but it is better not to catch it all. Prevention is always better than cure.

QUESTIONS

- Who are the first people to use quinine as a cure for malaria?

- Why did most foreigners get malaria while most Indians didn't?

- Where does quinine come from?

- How did the Indians make quinine?

- How can we prevent malaria? Give four ways.

SECTION D: COMPOSITION

/10mks

Write a composition of about 180 - 200 words on any of the following topics.

- If you were ill, would you go to hospital or take traditional medicines? Write why.
- Write a letter to your friend Kelly from Canada, inviting her to come and spend Christmas holidays with you. Tell her the places you will visit, the games you play and other good things you will enjoy together. Your address is G.S. School; P.O 62 Makouse and your name is Gael.
- Write a comparison of yourself now and as a child. Say how you have changed and how you haven't changed.