

TEXT: Buying food

My mother went to the store to buy food for family. She preferred to go on Tuesdays and Saturdays. She tried to go early morning. Usually, there were not many people at the store then. She had to buy a lot of food. Our family ate a lot; so, she bought canned fish and chicken, tomato-paste, fresh meat, sugar, tea, liquid and powder-milk, wheat flour, salt. She did not forget vegetables such as cabbages, carrots, green peas, onions, garlic, and spices like pepper, ginger, peas and chilies. Sometimes, she asked my brother to go with her. He helped her to carry groceries.

N.B: a store = un magasin ; canned-fish = une boîte de sardine ; fresh meat = de la viande fraîche ; wheat flour = de la farine de blé ; a vegetable = un légume ; spice = un épice ; groceries = les provisions.

I. COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (7 points)

A) Answer these questions based on the text.

1. Where did the writer's mother buy food?
2. What days did she go to store?
3. Who went her sometimes?

B) True/False statements: Put "T" before the true sentences and "F" before the false ones according to the text.

1. Mother preferred to go to the store every day.
2. Brother went with her.
3. She had to buy a little food.
4. There were many persons in the store on Tuesdays and Saturdays.

II. GRAMMAR (4 points)

Put the verbs in brackets into the past (preterit).

1. She (learn) to buy food every week.
2. Last week Hélène (send) me a new car.
3. We (be) late this morning.
4. She (have) to buy a lot.

III. TRANSLATE the first four sentences of the text into French:

"My Mother went to the store.....many people at the store then" (4 points)

IV. ESSAY

One day, you went shopping to market. Tell about what you bought.
(not more than ten lines) (5 points)