

Le sujet comporte 4 pages

I- READING COMPREHENSION

A- THE TEXT

1. Yu Xukang, a Chinese father, carries his disabled son 18 miles to school every day. He walks the huge distance with his son, strapped to his back in a specially constructed basket. The 40-year-old refused to give up on the boy now aged 12, despite the fact that both his arms and legs are twisted and his back is hunched.

2. He said, "I know that my son is physically disabled but there's nothing wrong with his mind. However, I couldn't find any school with the facilities to accept him and was constantly rejected. In fact, the only place where I could enrol him was at the Fengxi Primary School, which is a five-mile walkaway."

3. The father was separated from the boy's mother nine years ago when Xiao was three years old, and decided to raise him alone and to give him the best opportunity. Because there was no suitable public transport, the father decided that the only alternative was to make sure he carried him to school and back every day.

4. He said, "Every morning, I get up at 5 am to prepare a lunch for him, walk the four and a half miles from home to school, and then come back here so I can work to earn money. I then walk to the school to pick up my son and bring him back. I am proud of the fact that he is already top of his class, and I know he will achieve great things. My dream is that he will go to college."

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ANGLAIS (SECTION: Sciences Techniques)

B- Comprehension Questions (12marks)

1) Read the text and tick (✓) the right option. (1mark)

The text is **mainly** about a:

- a) father struggling for the education of his disabled son
- b) mentally-disabled boy rejected from all schools
- c) disabled boy taken care of by a local charity

2) For each of the following statements, pick out one detail showing that it's false. (2 marks)

a) Nearby schools refused the boy because he was handicapped (Parag.2)

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b) There was no public transport available to take the boy to his school (Parag. 3)

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3) Complete the following summary with words from paragraphs one and two. (3 marks)

The father ----- a special basket to carry his son, Xiao, to school every day.
 ----- the boy's severe physical handicap, his father had no doubt that Xiao
 had a healthy ----- .

4) Circle the two adjectives that best describe Yu Xukang. (2 marks)

selfish loving indifferent brave

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

- a) to lose hope (Parag. 1)
- b) to bring up (Parag. 3)

6) What does the underlined word in the text refer to? (1 mark)

here (parag.4) refers to:

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

Do you think the father will be able to support his son till college? Why? Why not?

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II- WRITING (12marks)

1) Use the information below to write a coherent paragraph about the United Nations Development Program. (4marks)

Organization	The United Nations Development Program
Foundation	New York City/ 1965
Mission	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- connect countries- share experience/ resources- provide expert advice/ training/ support/ developing countries
Funding	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- mainly/ member nations

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2) The following question has been posted on Facebook:

“Have inventions and scientific discoveries really improved people’s lives?”

Write a ten-line comment stating your opinion about this issue. (8 marks)

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III- LANGUAGE (6 marks)

1) Fill in the blanks with 6 words from the list below. (3 marks)

emissions – stop – recycling – on – safer – tips – consumption – save

Britain follows the example of the Netherlands in imposing a fuel-saving exam for new motorists to reduce pollution. After surviving an emergency and a three-point turn, driving test candidates will have to show they can fuel, as well. Fuel efficiency- or eco-driving must be part of the driving test in an attempt to cut polluting It will also save money on bills and make driving Learner drivers will first be taught such as accelerating, braking less strongly and changing gears sooner. Then, they will be assessed these abilities as part of the practical exam.

2) Put the bracketed words in the right tense or form. (3 marks)

Trafalgar Square, the largest square in London, is often considered the heart of the City. Ever since the Middle Ages, this area (**be**) a central meeting place. Trafalgar Square is home to Nelson's Column iconic stone lions, the (**fame**) Fourth Plinth and a lot of pigeons. It is a must-see destination for (**visit**) to London. You will often find (**culture**) events, performances, shows and other special activities (**go**) on in the square by the fountains. At Christmas, you will find the (**big**) Christmas tree in London, an annual gift from the City of Oslo.