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Le sujet comporte 4 pages

THE TEXT

1. School was all but impossible for Sparky. He failed every subject in the eighth grade. He **flunked** physics, Latin, algebra and English, getting a grade of zero. His record in sports wasn't any better. He lost the only important match of the season. Sparky was a loser. He, his classmates ... everyone knew it. So he learned to live with it. He made up his mind early that if things were meant to work out, they would.
2. One thing was important to Sparky, however, drawing. He was proud of his artwork. No one else appreciated it. But that didn't seem to matter to him. In his senior year of high school, he submitted some cartoons to the yearbook. The editors refused the concept. Despite the **brush-off**, Sparky was convinced of his ability. He even decided to become an artist. So, after completing high school, Sparky wrote to Walt Disney Studios. They asked for samples of his artwork. Despite careful preparation, it too was refused. One more confirmation that he was a loser. But Sparky didn't give up. Instead, he decided to tell his own life story in cartoons. The main character would be a little boy who symbolized the perpetual loser and chronic underachiever.
3. People readily identified with this "lovable loser." He reminded people of the painful moments of their own past and their shared humanity. The character soon became famous worldwide: "Charlie Brown." Sparky, the boy whose many failures never kept him from trying, whose work was rejected again and again.. is the highly successful cartoonist Charles Shultz.

A Road in the Desert
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I- Comprehension Questions (12 marks)

1- Tick (✓) the right option. The text is mainly about: (1 mark)

a- Never ever giving up

b- Letting go of one's dream

c- Falling victim to failure

2- Fill in each gap with one word from paragraph 3. (4 marks)

Charles Shultz, the famous^①, invented the^② of "Charlie Brown". People identified with him because he^③ them of the^④ times of their past.

3- Tick (✓) the option that best explains the following word and expression. (2 marks)

i. "flunked" (paragraph 1) nearly means :

a- neglected

b- failed

c- hated

ii. "brush off" (paragraph 2) nearly means:

a- bullying

b- criticism

c- rejection

4- Circle the two adjectives that best describe Sparky. (2 marks)

hopeless / persevering / ashamed / strong-willed

5- What do the underlined words in the text refer to? (2 marks)

a- "it" (Paragraph 1) refers to

b- "that" (Paragraph 2) refers to

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

- Would you carry on trying despite failure? Why? Why not?

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II- WRITING (12 marks)

1- Use the notes to write a 4-line paragraph about the 2018 Seoul International Invention Fair (SIIF). (4 marks)

Date/ Location	December, 6-9 / Seoul, South Korea
Characteristics	Large annual / International Invention Event / Asia
Purpose	Promote inventions Exhibit new products / manufacturers / investors / general public.

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2- “ To move, to breathe, to fly, to float, to gain all while you give, to roam the roads of lands remote, to travel is to live.” Hans Christian Andersen

You got inspired by this quote to write a 10-line blog post about the importance of travelling. (8 marks)

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III- LANGUAGE (6 marks)

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

satisfying / develop / However / early / Despite / opportunities / formal / satisfied

Most people associate learning with education at school, college, university etc. We are all told from an① age, that we should "get a good education". Generally speaking, it is true that ② education and the resulting qualifications are important. Education may maximize our potential to find better, more ③ jobs, earn more and, perhaps, become more successful in our chosen career.④, "schooling" is only one type of learning. There are many other ⑤ to further your knowledge and ⑥ the skills you need throughout life.

2- Circle the right option. (3 marks)

Japan is taking steps to fight social isolation by employing robots in as many aspects of life as possible. After introducing autonomous robots in (**various / variety / vary**) roles in a hospital and a number of nursing homes and schools, a café in Tokyo will soon open with (**robotic / robots / robotics**) waiters controlled remotely by people with physical (**defaults / disabilities / failures**) who wouldn't be able to work otherwise. The pilot run of the café is (**set up / found / scheduled**) for weekdays from November 7th. The (**creation / created / creator**) of the robots, Ory Laboratory, plans to open another permanent café closer to the 2020 Tokyo Olympics and Paralympics. Another area where robots are increasingly (**involved / consisted / concerned**) in Japan is elderly care. A variety of caregiving institutions have been employing robots that help their patients move, but also keep them company when there are no humans around.