

Practice paper on the model of the 6th-year concours (pilot middle schools) Model paper 3			Scolaire.tn Practice paper written by Scolaire.tn, not an official paper
Subject: English	Time: 45 minutes	Mark: / 20	
Name:			Class:

I. Reading comprehension (6 marks).

Read the text, then answer: « Spring in Zaghouan »

My name is Hiba and I live in Zaghouan. My favourite season is spring. In March and April, the sky is clear, the air is fresh and the mountain is green. There are flowers and butterflies everywhere.

Last Sunday, my class went on a trip to the Water Temple. Our teacher, Mrs Leila, showed us the old Roman stones. Then we walked in the fields and collected poppies for our classroom. My friend Ines tried to catch a butterfly, but it flew away. We all laughed.

In the afternoon, the weather changed. It became cloudy and windy, and then it was rainy. We ran to the bus, wet but happy. Next Sunday, I will go back with my parents. I will take my camera, and I won't forget my umbrella!

1) True or false? Hiba's favourite season is winter. (1 mk)

☐ True ☐ We don't know ☐ False

2) True or false? Hiba's class visited the Water Temple on Sunday. (1 mk)

☐ False ☐ True ☐ We don't know

3) Complete with ONE word from paragraph 2: At the Water Temple, the pupils saw old Roman ... (1 mk)

☐ fields ☐ butterflies ☐ stones

4) What does the underlined word "it" in paragraph 2 refer to? (1 mk)

☐ the bus ☐ the camera ☐ the butterfly

5) Find in paragraph 2 a word that means "picked, took and kept". (1 mk)

☐ collected ☐ showed ☐ walked

6) The text is mainly about: (1 mk)

- ☐ a spring trip in Zaghouan ☐ a summer holiday at the beach
☐ a cold winter in Ain Drahim

II. Language (8 marks)

Read each sentence and choose the right answer.

1) Box: colder / rainy / warmer / sunny / collect — In Tabarka, winter is (1) ... than (1 mk)
summer. Which word goes in (1)?

- ☐ colder ☐ warmer ☐ sunny

2) Box: colder / rainy / warmer / sunny / collect — In winter, it is often (2) ..., so (1 mk)
children wear boots and take umbrellas. Which word goes in (2)?

- ☐ sunny ☐ collect ☐ rainy

3) Box: colder / rainy / warmer / sunny / collect — In October, the weather is (3) (1 mk)
... than in January. Which word goes in (3)?

- ☐ colder ☐ rainy ☐ warmer

4) Circle the correct alternative: Next summer, we (will go / went / go) to the (1 mk)
beach in Hammamet.

- ☐ go ☐ will go ☐ went

5) Circle the correct alternative: It's a (windy / wind / winds) day. Let's fly our (1 mk)
kites!

- ☐ wind ☐ winds ☐ windy

6) Circle the correct alternative: In winter, my sister enjoys (skating / skate / (1 mk)
skated) with her friends.

- ☐ skated ☐ skating ☐ skate

7) Put the word in the right tense or form: January is the [one] ... month of the (1 mk)
year.

- ☐ once ☐ one ☐ first

8) Put the word in the right tense or form: Yesterday it was very cold, so I [wear] (1 mk)
... my gloves and my sweater.

- ☐ will wear ☐ wear ☐ wore

III. Writing · 1. The dialogue (2 marks)

Adam and Yasmine are talking in the playground on the last day of school.

Complete the dialogue with sentences from the box (there is an extra one).

- 1) Where will you go next summer?
- 2) I love summer.
- 3) It was cold and windy yesterday.
- 4) I'll visit my grandparents in Le Kef.
- 5) Because I can swim and build sandcastles.

Adam: What's your favourite season, Yasmine?

Yasmine:  1

Adam: Why?

Yasmine:  2

Adam:  3

Yasmine: We'll go to Hammamet. And you?

Adam:  4

Yasmine: Have a nice time!

1) Gap 1: Adam asks "What's your favourite season?". Yasmine answers: (0,5 mk)

- ☐ 3) It was cold and windy yesterday. ☐ 2) I love summer.
- ☐ 1) Where will you go next summer?

2) Gap 2: Adam asks "Why?". Yasmine answers: (0,5 mk)

- ☐ 4) I'll visit my grandparents in Le Kef.
- ☐ 5) Because I can swim and build sandcastles. ☐ 2) I love summer.

3) Gap 3: Yasmine answers "We'll go to Hammamet.". So Adam asked: (0,5 mk)

- ☐ 1) Where will you go next summer? ☐ 5) Because I can swim and build sandcastles.
- ☐ 3) It was cold and windy yesterday.

4) Gap 4: Yasmine asks "And you?". Adam answers: (0,5 mk)

- ☐ 3) It was cold and windy yesterday. ☐ 1) Where will you go next summer?
- ☐ 4) I'll visit my grandparents in Le Kef.

III. Writing • 2. The paragraph (4 marks).

Your English teacher asks you to write about your favourite season for the class magazine. Write a paragraph (6 to 8 sentences) to say which season you prefer and why, to describe the weather and the clothes you wear, and to talk about the activities you do (at least 3). (4 marks)

Criterion	I check that...	Yes	Partly	No
I answer the task	My paragraph talks about every point asked (e.g. the weather, the description, the actions).			
I answer the task	It has 6 to 8 sentences.			
My paragraph is clear	My ideas are in a good order (first, then, after that, finally).			
My paragraph is clear	I use and, but, because to join my ideas.			
I write correctly	Capital letters, full stops and correct spelling of the words I know.			
I write correctly	The right tense: past for a story (went, found, took...), present for habits.			