

Practice paper on the model of the 6th-year concours (pilot middle schools) Model paper 4			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: « Am Hedi's Garden »

Am Hedi is our old neighbour in Kairouan. He lives alone in a small house with a big garden. Last winter, he broke his leg and he couldn't walk for two months. His garden became dirty and full of dry leaves.

One Saturday, my friends and I decided to help him. Selim brought a rake, Rania brought plastic bags and I carried a bucket of water. We cleaned up the garden, watered the lemon trees and fed his old cat, Mimi. Rania's mother cooked couscous for him.

When Am Hedi saw his clean garden, he smiled and said, 'You are the kindest children in the street!' Now we visit him every Saturday. He tells us stories about the old city, and he teaches us how to plant flowers. We learned that sharing is caring.

1) True or false? Am Hedi lives with his big family. (1 mk)

☐ True ☐ We don't know ☐ False

2) True or false? Am Hedi has a cat. (1 mk)

☐ We don't know ☐ True ☐ False

3) Complete with ONE word from paragraph 1: Am Hedi could not walk because he broke his ... (1 mk)

☐ leg ☐ garden ☐ house

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

☐ Am Hedi ☐ Selim ☐ Mimi the cat

5) Find in paragraph 2 a word that means "gave food to". (1 mk)

☐ fed ☐ watered ☐ brought

6) What is the lesson of the text? (1 mk)

- ☐ Gardens are dangerous for cats. ☐ It is good to help people who need us.
- ☐ Old people don't like children.

II. Language (8 marks)

Read each sentence and choose the right answer.

1) Box: each other / wash / vet / tidy / poor — In my family, we always help (1) (1 mk)

Which word goes in (1)?

- ☐ each other ☐ vet ☐ poor

2) Box: each other / wash / vet / tidy / poor — After lunch, I (2) ... the dishes and my brother cleans the table. Which word goes in (2)? (1 mk)

- ☐ vet ☐ tidy ☐ wash

3) Box: each other / wash / vet / tidy / poor — Our cat was sick, so we took it to the (3) Which word goes in (3)? (1 mk)

- ☐ poor ☐ vet ☐ tidy

4) Circle the correct alternative: Karim is the (youngest / younger / young) pupil in our class. (1 mk)

- ☐ young ☐ younger ☐ youngest

5) Circle the correct alternative: Tomorrow, we (won't / didn't / don't) walk in the classroom with dirty shoes. (1 mk)

- ☐ didn't ☐ won't ☐ don't

6) Circle the correct alternative: Sara and Ali love (their / his / her) school. (1 mk)

- ☐ their ☐ his ☐ her

7) Put the word in the right tense or form: My uncle builds houses. He is a [build] (1 mk)

- ☐ builder ☐ built ☐ building

8) Put the word in the right tense or form: Last Friday, our class [clean] ... the playground. (1 mk)

- ☐ will clean ☐ cleaned ☐ cleans

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

Omar visits his friend Lilia, who has a new pet.

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

- 1) Does he go to the vet?
2) Can I play with him?
3) Yes, it is. His name is Rocky.
4) My cat is black and white.
5) I feed him twice a day and I give him fresh water.

Omar: Hi Lilia! Is this your new puppy?

Lilia: ☐ 1

Omar: He's so cute! How do you take care of him?

Lilia: ☐ 2

Omar: ☐ 3

Lilia: Yes, every three months.

Omar: ☐ 4

Lilia: Sure, but don't pull his tail!

1) Gap 1: Omar asks "Is this your new puppy?". Lilia answers: (0,5 mk)

- ☐ 2) Can I play with him? ☐ 4) My cat is black and white.
☐ 3) Yes, it is. His name is Rocky.

2) Gap 2: Omar asks how she takes care of the puppy. Lilia answers: (0,5 mk)

- ☐ 1) Does he go to the vet? ☐ 5) I feed him twice a day and I give him fresh water.
☐ 4) My cat is black and white.

3) Gap 3: Lilia answers "Yes, every three months.". So Omar asked: (0,5 mk)

- ☐ 2) Can I play with him? ☐ 1) Does he go to the vet?
☐ 3) Yes, it is. His name is Rocky.

4) Gap 4: Lilia answers "Sure, but don't pull his tail!". So Omar asked: (0,5 mk)

- ☐ 2) Can I play with him? ☐ 4) My cat is black and white.
☐ 5) I feed him twice a day and I give him fresh water.

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

Last week, your class decided to make your school cleaner and nicer. Write a paragraph (6 to 8 sentences) to say when it happened, who helped you, what you did (at least 3 actions) and how the school looked at the end. (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.			