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PAPER 2 READING COMPREHENSION

Friday **25 June 2021** 9:00 A.M.–9:50 A.M.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

Write your school number, candidate number, surname and initials in the spaces provided at the top of this page.

Answer ALL questions (in ink) in the spaces provided in this booklet.

You must read and **adhere to all instructions**.

You need not write complete sentences, but you must **give all relevant information**.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The number of marks available is shown in brackets [] at the end of each question.



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Exercise 1	
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This question paper consists of **9** printed pages and **3** blank pages.

Exercise 1

Questions 1–9

You are spending a month with your host family in Paris.

Answer each of the following questions by ticking ☒ the appropriate box. Tick **ONE** box only.

1. You would like to purchase a newspaper. (You must select the most logical answer.)

A	Café	
B	Kiosque à journaux	
C	Musée	
D	Office du tourisme	

[1]

2. You have to buy some medicine.

A	Boucherie	
B	Cathédrale	
C	Château	
D	Pharmacie	

[1]

3. You go to an open-air market to purchase a kilo of potatoes.

A	Carottes	
B	Oignons	
C	Pommes de terre	
D	Tomates	

[1]

4. You need to buy some grapes as well.

A	Oranges	
B	Pêches	
C	Pommes	
D	Raisin	

[1]



5. Just before leaving the market, you decide to look for some ripe mangoes.

A	Ananas	
B	Citrons verts	
C	Mangues	
D	Melons	

[1]

6. You go to a popular store to purchase a hat.

A	Chapeaux	
B	Costumes	
C	Montres	
D	Pantalons	

[1]

7. You need to purchase a jacket as well.

A	Bracelets	
B	Jupes	
C	Lunettes	
D	Vestes	

[1]

8. You would like to exchange two hundred dollars.

A	Change	
B	Librairie	
C	Hôpital	
D	Restaurant	

[1]

9. You would like to purchase a fresh pastry.

A	Bibliothèque	
B	Pâtisserie	
C	Stade	
D	Tabac	

[1]

TOTAL MARKS [9]

[Turn over]



Exercise 2

Questions 10–16

While looking through the Parisian TV guide, you see the following titles.

Answer each question by ticking ☒ the box alongside the word included in the title. Tick **ONE** box only.

10. *Les secrets de la mer*

A	Computers	
B	Lake	
C	Sea	
D	Subjects	

[1]

11. *Les pays d'Afrique du Nord*

A	Buildings	
B	Countries	
C	Farmers	
D	Trees	

[1]

12. *Le monde est à toi.*

A	City	
B	Market	
C	Shop	
D	World	

[1]

13. *La femme de mes rêves*

A	Boy	
B	Girl	
C	Man	
D	Woman	

[1]



14. *La double vie de mon mari*

A	Life	
B	Light	
C	Love	
D	Sky	

[1]

15. *Le cadeau*

A	Bag	
B	Box	
C	Card	
D	Present	

[1]

16. *Entre les mains de Dieux*

A	Ears	
B	Eyes	
C	Feet	
D	Hands	

[1]

TOTAL MARKS [7]

Exercise 3

Questions 17–23

Read Laurent's email to Jérôme.

Cher Jérôme,

Ça va ?

Je fais du camping avec ma famille dans la forêt pas loin de chez nous. Nous passons quatre nuits sans électricité. Notre tente est petite et pas très confortable. Il fait froid et il pleut souvent. Nous mangeons seulement des fruits, des légumes et des *conserves. Maman a des bouteilles de vin rouge. Génial ! Je prends toujours du vin au dîner.

Je déteste le camping ! Je voudrais rentrer à la maison, où je peux regarder la télé et jouer aux jeux vidéo.

À plus ! Laurent

*conserves, canned food

Answer each question by ticking ☒ the appropriate box:

	TRUE	FALSE	
17. Laurent's family is camping a long way from home.			[1]
18. Laurent's family's tent is spacious.			[1]
19. It is cold in the forest.			[1]
20. It rains frequently.			[1]
21. Laurent's family does not have any vegetables.			[1]
22. Laurent is accustomed to drinking wine.			[1]
23. Laurent would rather be at home.			[1]

TOTAL MARKS [7]



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Exercise 4

Questions 24–35

Read the following text **very carefully**.

Je m'appelle Sabine Dubois. Je suis étudiante de troisième année à l'université. Je fais du baby-sitting tous les week-ends. J'aime beaucoup mon travail parce que j'adore parler et jouer avec les enfants. En plus, je gagne pas mal d'argent. Je l'économise pour partir en vacances. J'adore voyager !

L'année dernière ma meilleure amie et moi sommes allées en Martinique pendant le carnaval. À mon avis, la Martinique est l'une des plus belles îles des Caraïbes. J'ai vraiment apprécié la beauté de la montagne et de la forêt ainsi que la musique et les danses martiniquaises.

J'adore la cuisine martiniquaise. Mes plats préférés sont le poisson frit et le riz aux haricots rouges. Pendant mes vacances en Martinique, j'ai mangé du lambi pour la première fois. J'ai aussi mangé une grande variété de fruits tropicaux. Quel délice !

La montagne Pelée est l'un des plus beaux endroits à visiter en Martinique. J'y suis allée deux jours avant mon départ pour les États-Unis. La Pelée est un volcan actif situé dans le nord de la Martinique. Ce magnifique volcan est *entouré par une végétation tropicale luxuriante. J'ai énormément apprécié ma visite guidée de la Pelée !

Mon ami Arnaud va venir à Lyon pendant l'hiver. Il travaille dans l'hôtel où j'ai logé en Martinique. Arnaud est très jovial et amical avec tous les clients. Je le trouve formidable ! Il a les cheveux bruns et de grands yeux marron. C'est un beau jeune homme qui ressemble à un acteur de cinéma. Arnaud aime beaucoup faire du sport et il veut apprendre à faire du ski. C'est pour ça que nous allons passer quelques jours dans les Alpes. Arnaud va bien s'amuser en France !

*entouré, surrounded

Answer in **ENGLISH** or tick the appropriate box:

24. How often does Sabine babysit? You must give a **COMPLETE** answer.

_____ [1]

25. What does Sabine love to do when she babysits? Give **ONE** answer only.

_____ [1]

26. Sabine uses the money she saves to ...

A	go on holiday.	
B	help her family.	
C	pay for her education.	
D	shop online.	

[1]



27. When did Sabine travel to Martinique?

A	Last month	
B	Last year	
C	Three months ago	
D	Three weeks ago	

[1]

28. Sabine thinks that Martinique is one of the islands in the Caribbean.

A	least crowded	
B	least developed	
C	most beautiful	
D	most expensive	

[1]

29. What is **ONE** of Sabine's favourite Martiniquan dishes? You do not have to say how it is prepared. (baked, stewed, etc.)

 [1]

30. What does Sabine say about conch (*lambi*)?

 [1]

31. Sabine took part in a guided tour of Mt. Pelée two days ...

A	after the arrival of her parents.	
B	after the end of Carnival.	
C	before it started to erupt.	
D	before she left Martinique.	

[1]

32. When does Arnaud plan to take a trip to France?

 [1]

33. Sabine says that Arnaud is.....

A	friendly.	
B	lonely.	
C	middle-aged.	
D	wealthy.	

[1]



34. What colour are Arnaud's eyes?

_____ [1]

35. Why are Arnaud and Sabine going to travel to the Alps?

_____ [1]

TOTAL MARKS [12]



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