

A Caring Puma



(1) Daniel Olin was 11 years old when his parents moved to Edmonton in Canada. He liked his new school and made friends there, but then things at home started to change. His mum and dad began to argue and the arguments got worse until one day, Daniel's mum left. With his father working long hours, Daniel felt very alone and very unhappy. He wanted to escape, to run away. And that's what he did.

(2) Very early one cold morning when the snow was deep on the ground, he packed a bag with some clothes, his Walkman, some chocolate and a map of Canada and set off. He ran and ran until he could hardly breathe. Suddenly, a rock hidden by the deep snow caught his ankle and Daniel fell to the ground, crying in pain. He had broken his leg. And no one knew where he was to help him. He was very cold and was starting to feel tired, but he knew that if he fell asleep in the snow, he would almost certainly die from the cold.

(3) From within the branches of a tall tree, a pair of yellow eyes watched Daniel. The puma had been stalking **him**. A puma is a powerful cat with claws that could cut Daniel into pieces. But instead of moving in for the kill, the puma approached Daniel and lay across his chest and limbs. Daniel was too frightened to move, but soon the warmth of the animal reached Daniel and he began to feel better. From time to time, the puma pressed his muzzle against Daniel and rocked his head gently. Clearly, the puma knew that Daniel must not fall asleep. This animal should have been a real danger to Daniel and yet the boy began to feel safe.

(4) **They** remained like that for several hours until Daniel and the puma heard voices. The rescue team had found them.

Amazing Animal Stories

(adapted)

I- Reading Comprehension : (15 marks)

1- Read the text and fill in the table (4 marks) :

<i>Characters' involved</i>	<i>What happened</i>	<i>Consequence</i>
1. Daniel Olin	1. Daniel Left home alone	1.....
2.....	2..... 3.....	//////////////////// //////////////////// ////////////////////

2- Refer to paragraph 1 and complete the missing words (2 marks) :

Daniel's family was separated when things get worse between his parents. They **1**..... until his mum left home. The boy was young but felt great sorrow. So, one morning he decided to **2**.....

3- Correct the following false statements with justification from the text (2 marks) :

- a- Daniel enjoys playing in the snow deep in the ground.
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- b- A dangerous animal attacked Daniel and cut him into pieces.
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4- Circle Two adjectives that better describe the pet (2 marks) :

helpful – wild – powerful - caring - exciting

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

- a- him (pg 3) refers to.....
- b- They (pg 4) refers to.....

6- Find in the text words meaning nearly the same as (2 marks) :

- a- following (pg 3) =.....
- b- stayed in the same place (pg 4) =.....

7- What do you think Daniel should do for the pet after being saved? (1 mark) :

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II- Language : (10 marks)

1- Fill in the paragraph below with 8 words from the box : (4 marks)

need - by -biologists - on - donors- hospitals -The - causing - encouraging - groups

“World Health Organization” chose 14 June as the day to recognize the millions of people who save lives and improve the health of others by donating blood. The Day shows the need to regularly give blood to prevent shortages in and clinics, particularly in developing countries where quantities are very limited. The annual event focuses on motivating more people to become blood It demonstrates how health systems and policy-makers work to make blood transfusions safe and accessible to people worldwide. focus of World Blood Donor Day will be on young donors, with the saying : “New blood for the world”. Young people can make an important contribution donating blood and by guiding other young people to become donors. Blood is the lifeline of every animal living the earth. Today world is facing deficiency of blood stock and that is threat to life. The only way one can see for health care is through Blood transfusion. The increasing for blood globally requires everyone to contribute by donating blood and others for the cause.

2- Supply the right tense and / or form for the bracketed words : (4 marks)

Video games have been cited as an influence on children's violent behaviour. It is **(to suggest)** that these violent games may misrepresent a child's opinion concerning the line between what's **(social)** acceptable and what's not. It **(have / be / show)**that there is a negative relationship between the amount of time a child **(to play)** video games and the quality of his grades. Children who **(to spend)** too much time playing video games may **(to neglect)** their school work in favour of their virtual pastime and may develop an overall **(lazy)** toward school in general, leading to poor academic performance. Obesity is already a growing problem and can be an even more severe problem with children who **(to become)** too occupied with video games.

3- Match sentence parts from column “A” with their second halves in column “B” to get a coherent paragraph: (2 marks) (There is one extra item in B)

“A”	“B”
1- Compared to every other season of the year, winter is a time	a- extra calories to stay warm.
2- Yes, it is colder outside, and we may need	b- than a hearty hot bowl of soup.
3- The reason is: warming up! Nothing is more satisfying on a brisk wintry day	c- for being inside, and especially around the savory smells of a kitchen in full use.
4- The idea of your oven compartments and stovetop burners being more	d- active in the winter is an idea in keeping with this focus on inner warmth.
	e- in order to watch an action film.

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III- WRITING : (15 marks)

1) Use the information in the table below to produce a paragraph in a brochure about SOUSSE. Add what is necessary (verbs, articles, pronouns, linkers...) (5 marks) :

GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION	BEACH	CLIMATE	AMENITIES
Sousse / shining town / East Coast of Tunisia / location about 150 km south of the capital.	- beautiful - sandy - swim	- sunny - warm	- five star hotels - shopping centres - captivating beauty of sceneries.

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2) TOPIC : (10 marks)

The city where you live is polluted ; rubbish is everywhere and smoke coming out of big factories is poisoning the inhabitants. Write **a letter of complaint** to the Mayor of your city in which you draw his attention to the urgency of the situation by listing the serious effects of pollution.

These hints may help you :

Lung cancer / allergy / carbon dioxide / respiratory problems / global warming....

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