RAFFLES GIRLS' PRIMARY SCHOOL
WEIGHTED ASSESSMENT 1 (2023)
ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PRIMARY 5

Name: _____ ( ) **Date:** _____

Class: P5___ **Total Time: 50 min**

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

1. Write your name, class and index number in the spaces provided above.
2. Do not turn over this page until you are told to do so.
3. Follow all instructions carefully.
4. Answer all questions.

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Read the passage and answer questions 1 to 10.

It was the dead of winter. Bryan was driving home one evening **feeling dejected**. Even after looking countless times for a job, he had been unsuccessful. He felt it even more when he checked his bank account. Then, in the snowfall, he saw a faint figure in the distance.

It was an old lady, stranded at the side of the road. She seemed in desperate need of assistance, so he pulled up in front of her luxury car and got out. Bryan's car was sputtering noisily as he approached the old lady. Even with a smile on his face, the old lady looked warily at him. After all, the road was deserted. No one had stopped to help for the last hour or so. Bryan knew how scared she must be feeling. He introduced himself, "I'm Bryan. Let me help you."

All she had was a flat tyre, but for a frail old lady, that was bad enough. While Bryan was changing **it**, the lady kept thanking him for coming to her aid. Once he was done, she asked him how much she owed him. **Any amount would have been all right with her**. She had imagined all the awful things that could have happened to her if Bryan had not helped her. Bryan just smiled. He never thought twice about being paid. This was not a job to him. Instead, he told her to extend her assistance the next time she saw someone else in need of **it**. Bryan felt good as he made sure that the lady drove off safely before he got into his car.

Shortly, the old lady saw a small, dingy café. Despite her misgivings, she decided to grab a bite before making the long journey back home. The waitress quickly came over with a clean towel. She had noticed the lady's wet hair. Smiling, the waitress then took her orders. The lady noticed that the waitress was heavily pregnant but she remained cheerful and upbeat. The old lady wondered how someone with so little could be so giving to a stranger. Then, she remembered Bryan.

After finishing her meal, the lady paid with a hundred-dollar note. When the waitress went to get the change, the lady left a message on her napkin and slipped out of the restaurant. Tears welled up in the waitress' eyes as she read what the lady had written: "Somebody once helped me so I'm helping you. Do not let this chain of kindness end with you." Under the napkin was her tip – four more hundred-dollar notes.

That night, when the waitress got home, she thought about what had happened earlier. How could the lady have known how badly she and her husband needed the money, especially with the baby on the way?

When she stepped into the apartment, her husband's frown turned upside down the moment he saw her. He gave her a big hug. The waitress knew how worried her husband was about their finances. She hugged him back tightly and whispered, "Everything's going to be all right. I love you, Bryan."

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1. Give two reasons why Bryan was 'feeling dejected' (line 1). [2m]

   (i) _____

   (ii) _____

2. From the second paragraph, pick out a word that tells us that Bryan's car may not be in good working condition. [1m]

3. What caused the old lady to be stranded at the side of the road? [2m]

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4. 'Any amount would have been all right with her.' (lines 13-14) Explain in your own words how the old lady felt and why she felt this way. [2m]

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5. Why did Bryan not think twice about being paid? [2m]

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6. Look at the table below. What do the words in the left column refer to in the passage? Write your answers in the column on the right. [3m]

Word from the passage	What the word refers to
a) It (line 5)	
b) it (line 12)	
c) it (line 17)	

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7. Complete the following table to show what the old lady thought of Bryan. [2m]

	What the old lady thought of Bryan
when Bryan first approached her	
when she recalled what Bryan had done for her	

8. Based on lines 1-24, state whether each statement in the table below is true or false, then give one reason why you think so. [3m]

	True/False	Reason
a) Bryan was determined to get a job.		
b) Bryan could not wait to get home after helping the lady.		
c) The waitress was very thoughtful.		

9. How were Bryan and the waitress related? [1m]

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10. Explain clearly why the old lady did not want her change and left 'four more hundred-dollar notes' (line 29). Refer to information from an earlier part of the text. [2m]

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Q1)	i) He could not find a job ii) He did not have much money.
Q2)	sputtering
Q3)	Her car had a flat type and there was no one to help her fixit.
Q4)	She felt thankful to Bryan as she knew she could have gotten into more serious trouble.
Q5)	He did not think that helping someone was a job. He felt good to help others.
Q6)	a) The faint figure b) the tyre c) help
Q7)	She thought that Bryan was a stranger who would harm her. She thought that Bryan had a kind soul.
Q8)	a) True – He had looked countless times for a job. b) False --- Bryan made sure that the old lady drove off safely before going. c) True – She noticed the lady's wet hair and came over with a clean towel.
Q9)	They were husband and wife.
Q10)	She wanted to be like Bryan and she wanted to help the waitress.

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