

## SECTION ONE: READING COMPREHENSION (7 PTS)

Activity 1. Are there any direct quotations in the text? If so, how many? 0,75  
There are two.

Activity 2. Fill in the following table to describe the young man in the passage. 1

a) name:	John Milton
b) age:	19
c) height:	1m 85
d) shoulders - build:	broad, muscular
e) occupation:	student
f) dilemma:	to take or not to take drugs

Activity 3. What or who do the underlined words in the passage refer to? 0,75  
his (§4) John Milton it (§4) the pressure them (§5): drugs, or steroids

Activity 4. Answer the following questions according to the text. 3

1. Yes he is. (refuses to take drugs, his behaviour never caused his parents a sleepless night, etc.)
2. Competing without using drugs.
3. He thinks that drugs are immoral. They damage the body.

Activity 5. Find in the text words or phrases closest in meaning to the following: 0,75  
(a) to abandon (§2) (b) kids (§4) (c) goal (§5)

Activity 6. Find in the text words or phrases opposite in meaning to the following: 0,75  
(a) unlike (§3) (b) damage (§5) (c) success (§5)

## SECTION TWO: MASTERY OF LANGUAGE (7 PTS)

Activity 1. Supply punctuation and capitals where necessary. 1  
Nouria Benida Merah is an Algerian long-distance runner. She took part in the Sidney Olympics. She won the gold medal in the 1500 metre race. Now she is considered as a world famous athlete.

Activity 2. Add two more words to each of these lists. 0,75

athlete	sprinter	runner	competitor	footballer	sportsman	swimmer
shoulders	head	arms	legs	eyes	foot	ears
progress	development	achievement	success	performance	glory	triumph

Activity 3. Which nouns can be derived from these verbs or adjectives? 1  
a) competition b) development c) progress d) difficulty e) legitimacy / law f) nature

Activity 4. Give the opposite of the following words keeping the same root. 0,5  
a) moral b) unsuccessful c) illegitimate d) like

Activity 5. From the list below pick out the irregular verbs and give their past tenses. 1  
took got gave up ran won left

Activity 6. Complete sentence (b) so that it means the same as sentence (a). 1  
1b) Success can be achieved without performance-improving drugs.  
2b) He wondered how he (had) managed to give up taking drugs.

Activity 7. Reorder the following sentences to make a coherent paragraph. 1,75  
d a f b e  
Irrelevant sentence: c

## SECTION THREE: WRITTEN EXPRESSION (6 PTS)

## Either Topic One

Using the notes, write a composition of about 120 to 150 words on the benefits of practising sports.

## Or Topic Two

John Milton has won a gold medal in the 100 metre race. He is having an interview with a journalist. Write the interview.