

<b>REPUBLIQUE TUNISIENNE</b> <b>MINISTERE DE L'EDUCATION</b> <b>ET DE LA FORMATION</b> ○○○	<b>Examen du diplôme de fin d'études</b> <b>de l'enseignement de base</b> <b>Session 2007</b> ○○○	
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## THE TEXT

- 1- Everyone knows Rowan Atkinson, or Mr Bean. He is the youngest of three boys born into a wealthy farming family in the north-east of England.
- 2- When he was at school, Rowan Atkinson was the quiet child at the back of the class who participated very little. He wasn't good at sport and he certainly wasn't popular. The other children teased him about his face and eyes. Then, one day after games, he stood up in the changing-room and began imitating one of the teachers. "I remember making them laugh," says Atkinson. "I discovered I could do something well. After that, performing became very important to me. It was the thing I could do. It gave me a role within the school."
- 3- Atkinson is now 48. He is regarded as one of the most inventive and talented comics of his time. He starred in the series of *Blackadder* and in *Mr Bean*.
- 4- "The reason I enjoy playing Mr Bean so much is because you can say and do things that you would never be able to do in your normal life. Besides, people don't enjoy me as me. They enjoy me as Mr Bean. They enjoy me as Blackadder."
- 5- Rowan Atkinson has a great passion for cars. Today, he has a number of fast, expensive cars at his home.

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**I. READING COMPREHENSION 7 marks**

1. Complete the answers to the 4 questions below. (0.5 x 4 = 2 marks)

a- What could Rowan do very well at school ?

• He could .....

b- How did his classmates react when he imitated one of his teachers ?

• They .....

c- Does Rowan love cars ?

• .....

d- Is Rowan a boring comic ?

• .....

2. Are the statements true or false? Put a tick (✓) under True or False. (0.5 x 6 = 3 marks)

Statements	True	False
a - Rowan Atkinson has 2 brothers.		
b - Rowan Atkinson doesn't like playing Mr Bean .		
c - At school Rowan Atkinson often participated in the lessons .		
d - Rowan's favourite subject was sport and games.		
e - Rowan is American.		
f - Rowan loves cars.		

3. What do the sentences mean? Tick (✓) the proper alternative (0.5 x 2 = 1 mark)

- "It gave me a role within the school." means

a- I played roles in school plays.

b- I learned acting at school.

c- It made me feel part of the children in my school.

- "People don't enjoy me as me. They enjoy me as Mr Bean." means

a- People don't like my person. They like the character I play.

b- People do not like the way I play Mr Bean.

c- People like Mr Bean and hate Blackadder.

4. What do the underlined words in paragraph 2 refer to ? (0.5 x 2 = 1 mark)

a- **them** refers to.....

b- **It** refers to.....

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**II. LANGUAGE** 8 marks

1. Complete the letter with five words from the box. (0.5 x 5 = 2.5 marks)

his , until , worried , him , tired , the.

Dear Kevin,

I am writing to ask you for advice. Barbara and I are getting very ①..... about our son, Richard. He stays out very late at night. In the morning, he is too ②..... to go to school. Last night he was out ③..... 1.00 a.m. We have tried not to give ④..... pocket money, but it is no good. Richard believes we want to force him to obey us. In fact, we are only concerned about ⑤..... future.

2. Match the sentence parts in Column A with those in Column B to get a coherent paragraph. There is one extra part in Column B. The parts in Column A are in the correct order. Write your answers in the space provided. (0.5 x 6 = 3 marks)

Column A	Column B
① My mum and dad give me	① £ 5 a week pocket money.
② Most of my friends get more	② my pocket money.
③ I buy sweets and ice cream, but mum	③ my birthday or on Aïd day.
④ I don't save	④ than I do, but that's O.K.
⑤ Sometimes, I get money for	⑤ I want to buy a new bike.
⑥ I save this money because	⑥ doesn't want to give me more.
	⑦ pays for me when I go to the cinema.

  

1 +.....	2 +.....	3 +.....	4 +.....	5 +.....	6 +.....
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3. Fill in the blanks with the right options from the margin. (0.5 x 5 = 2.5 marks)

Lynda Jones left school 13 years ago to start a new career as a secretary. Two years later, however, she realised that she did not like being in an office. ①....., she left and started looking for a different job.

One day, she ②..... an advertisement in the newspaper. A delivery company was looking for a driver. She ③..... for the job and took ④..... . "Driving a big vehicle and lifting heavy boxes was hard work. Yet, I ⑤..... it very much".

- ① However , So , Yet.
- ② saw , wrote , made.
- ③ liked , paid , applied.
- ④ it , her , them.
- ⑤ enjoyed , hated, did.

**III. WRITING** **5 marks**

You are the editor of your school magazine and you received the following letter from one of the students in your school.

Answer the letter . Give the student the proper advice.

I'm 16 years old and I spend most of my time at home reading, surfing the net or doing some house chores. My parents are very pleased, but I'm worried about my relationship with my friends. They always tease me and say that I'm a bore and that I look older than my age. What shall I do ?

Yours,  
A Reader

Dear Reader,

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The Magazine Editor