READING 1 (Items 1-5) (5 marks)

*Match the five texts on the left with the texts in the box. (There is **One** extra text in the box.)*

1. Our town wants to become the greenest town in Oman. The municipality planted five hundred trees last year, and now

2. My family decided to waste less water at home. We put a special small piece in every tap, and

3. The students of Grade 8 started a recycling project at school. Every class has two coloured bins, and

4. Sea turtles come to Oman's beaches every year to lay their eggs. Sadly, many beaches are full of plastic, so

5. Our science teacher says the sun can give us free electricity. On the roof of our school,

A.	**volunteers clean them every Friday morning before the turtles arrive. It is hard work, but everyone loves it.**
B.	**it uses half the water it used before. Our bill is smaller, and the planet is happier too.**
C.	**there are now forty solar panels. They make enough power for all the lights in the building.**
D.	**there is a big plan to plant five hundred more. Soon, every street will have shade.**
E.	**the blue bins go to the recycling centre every Thursday. We recycled two hundred kilos of plastic last term!**
F.	**my cousin throws everything in one bin. I am teaching him to separate paper, plastic and glass.**

READING 2 (Items 6–10) (5 marks)

Read the text. Then complete the task.

Thirteen-year-old Zahra Al Riyami loves the beach near her grandmother's house in Sur. Last winter, she was shocked to see it covered with plastic bottles, old ropes and broken toys. Instead of just feeling sad, Zahra decided to act. She made a poster at school that said, 'Our beach needs us!' and asked her friends to help. On the first Friday morning, only six students came. They worked for two hours and filled ten bags. The next week, twenty students came, and some parents brought tea and dates for everyone. A fisherman called Salim saw them working and brought his boat to carry the heavy bags away. After two months, the beach was completely clean. The municipality heard about the project and put two big rubbish bins and a sign at the beach. The sign says, 'Thank you for keeping our beach clean.' But the best moment came in April, when Zahra's grandmother called her with exciting news: a mother turtle had come onto the clean beach at night and laid her eggs in the sand. 'You see,' her grandmother said, 'the turtles know who their friends are.' Zahra cried happy tears that day, and now her school has a 'beach team' that cleans a different beach every month.

READING 2 (continued)

*For each question, write a short answer (**not more than FOUR WORDS or a NUMBER**)*

6. Where is the beach Zahra loves?

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7. How many students came on the first Friday?

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8. Who brought a boat to carry the bags?

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9. What did the municipality put at the beach?

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10. What did the mother turtle do on the clean beach?

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