READING 1 (Items 1–4) (4 marks)

Match the four texts on the left with the texts in the box. There is **ONE** extra text in the box.)

1. Mazin wants to become more confident at speaking in front of people. He can practise for twenty minutes, three times a week, and he wants step-by-step help before the school assembly.

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2. Amal loves her grandmother's old stories. She wants to record them and share them with other families before they are forgotten. Her grandmother knows songs and poems from sixty years ago.

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3. Faisal feels stressed before exams. He wants to learn simple ways to relax and sleep well, in short daily sessions. His exams start next month, so he needs help soon.

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4. Warda is good at drawing. She wants to use her talent to help younger children learn, as a volunteer. She is free every Thursday afternoon and loves working with small children.

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A. Do exams make you nervous? Our ten-minute daily program teaches you breathing exercises, positive thinking and good sleep habits. Written by doctors and teachers, it has already helped fifty thousand students sleep better and score higher. Start tonight - tomorrow will feel different, and the first week is completely free!
B. Speak with confidence! Our course starts with easy steps: first speak to your mirror, then to your family, then to a small group. Every step has a short video and a simple exercise, twenty minutes a day. In one month, you will stand in front of your class without fear!
C. Share your art with young children! Our volunteer program sends student artists to primary schools every Thursday afternoon. Teach small children to draw animals, trees and flags, and watch their faces light up. Two hours a week can change their world - and yours. No experience needed - just bring your talent!
D. Our grandparents carry a library of stories in their memories - but that library is closing. Learn to record your grandparents' stories with your phone, add photos, and save them in our national family archive. Free workshops run every weekend in twenty schools across the region. Don't let the stories die!
E. Learn to cook healthy food! Our videos show you how to make simple, cheap meals - rice with vegetables, fish with lemon, fruit salads and fresh juices. Every recipe takes less than thirty minutes and costs less than two rials per person. Cook for your family this Friday and surprise them!

READING 2 (Items 5–10) (6 marks)

Read the text. Then complete the task.

Who is your role model? When my teacher asked this question, most students wrote about famous footballers and singers. I wrote about my mother.

My mother is not famous. She is a nurse in a small hospital in our town, and she works long hours. But every day, I watch her do small things that make the world better. Last winter, an old man came to the hospital alone. His family lived far away, so my mother visited his room every day with food and talked to him like a friend. When he left the hospital, he cried and called her 'my daughter'. She does these things not because it is her job, but because it is who she is.

She also teaches me that learning never stops. Two years ago, at the age of forty, she started studying again at night to become a head nurse. I watched her read her books after a twelve-hour working day, when everyone else was asleep. Last month, she passed her exams with the highest marks in her group.

Some people say a role model must be someone great and famous. I disagree. A role model is someone whose life makes you want to be better. When I am tired and want to stop studying, I think of my mother reading at midnight, and I open my books again.

In conclusion, my role model is not on television. She is in our kitchen, making tea after a long day, with tired eyes and a warm smile. And that is more than enough. One day, if someone asks my children who their role model is, I hope they will talk about ordinary people who do extraordinary things - people like their grandmother.

READING 2 (continued)

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

5. What is the writer's mother's job?

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6. Why did the old man cry?

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7. How old was the mother when she started studying again?

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8. When did she study?

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9. What were her exam results?

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10. Where is the mother at the end of the text?

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