

Read the following newspaper article.

## LOCAL BOY SAVES COUPLE FROM FLAMES

Winchester Fire Brigade buys young hero a new bike.

*At half past three yesterday afternoon, 13-year-old Matt Mackensie, a pupil at Kings' school, was cycling home from school. He was going past Mr and Mrs Brown's house in Duke Avenue when he saw the smoke.*

*The young hero did not hesitate. He left his bike in the middle of the road and ran to the Browns' front door. Luckily, the door was open. Flames were coming out of the kitchen and Matt found Mr Brown, 85, who was trying to put out the flames.*

*Matt decided to ring The Fire Brigade so he dialled 999. Then Matt heard Mrs Brown, 83, who was calling for help from*

*her bedroom upstairs. She was an invalid. Matt went up and carried her downstairs.*

*When the fire brigade arrived, Matt was putting out the fire. "He is a very brave boy," said Mr Brown. "I'm sure he has saved my Wife's life."*

*However, Matt was surprised when he saw his bike under the fire-truck. "We didn't see his bike in the middle of the road," explained fireman Dave Waters, "and we ran over it!"*

*In the morning, the Winchester brigade gave the young hero a super new bike and Kings' School are going to offer Matt a new school uniform!*

### I. COMPREHENSION

**A. Are these sentences TRUE or FALSE? (Justify your choice)**

**3PNTS**

1. Matt was coming back home from school when he noticed the fire. ....
2. Matt informed the fire brigade and went home. ....
3. Mrs Brown was sleeping and didn't know about the fire. ....

**B. Complete these sentences**

**3PNTS**

1. Mr Brown liked what Matt did because.....
2. The firemen ran over matt's motorbike because .....
3. Matt got a new bike and.....for his courageous act.

**C. Find in the text words that mean the same as:**

**1PNTS**

1. Stop (paragraph 2).....

2. Courageous (paragraph 4) .....

## II. Communication:

D. **Match a line in 'A' with a line I 'B'** (write the letters a—b in the space provided)

**2PNTS**

1. Can you help me with this exercise? .....
2. I'm sorry. I can't come tonight. ....
3. How do you do? .....
4. Sorry, I'm late! .....

- a) It doesn't matter. You're here now.
- b) Of course, what's the problem?
- c) How do you do? Pleased to meet you!
- d) Never mind! Perhaps another time.

## III. Language & Vocabulary:

E. **Complete each pair of sentences with correct word:**

**2PNTS**

*kind    train    left    flat*

1. My dad bought a new ..... in the centre of town.
2. Turn ..... at the end of the street.
3. Athletes..... very hard to keep fit.
4. What ..... of car has your dad got?

F. **Put the words in the correct order:**

**2PNTS**

1. dinner / for / usually / fish / I / have/ .....
2. holiday / often / how / go / have / on / you / do/ ? .....
3. school / ate / I / for / am / never / .....
4. sometimes / go / to / restaurants / I / Japanese / .....

G. **Complete with the correct form of the verbs in the list. Use the present simple or the present continuous.**

**2PNTS**

*mean    have    cry    need*

1. I'm going to the supermarket .....you..... anything?
2. What's the matter? Why ..... you .....?
3. Sorry, I can't talk to you now. I .....dinner.
4. I don't know this word. Can you tell me what..... it .....?

