

COMPOSITION DU PREMIER SEMESTRE 2023

ANGLAIS Tle L (LV2)

DUREE: 3H

**Text : DON'T DIAL and DRIVE.**

Kate Alderson had her mind on her assignment as she drove through the countryside. The vivacious 28 years old was on her way to cover a major news story, a helicopter crash. Uncertain of the route, she picked up her mobile phone to call the Press Association for directions. Then, her phone still clamped to her right ear, she pulled out straight into the path of an oncoming Peugeot. **It** slammed into her at 65 mph, smashing through the rear and passenger doors, shunting her car along the road. While the other driver was fortunate to survive, Kate suffered multiple injuries. She never regained consciousness.

This tragic accident is a searing reminder of the growing distraction of electronic gadgetry in cars. The biggest problem for drivers using a mobile is mental distraction. "Some say **it's** not different from listening to the radio", says Road Safety Adviser Dave Rogers; that is simply not true. You can ignore the radio, but when you are on the phone, you tend to cut everything else out and concentrate solely on what the other person is saying. A sales rep might be negotiating a deal, doing mental calculations, and his mind won't be on his driving. What happens if a child suddenly runs out?

More and more drivers behave as though they are in the office when on the car phone. When the West Midland's police ran a campaign to warn motorists of the hazards, **they** pulled over a salesman who had his phone in one hand, and a book in the other. "How are you keeping control of the car?" asked an incredulous officer. "I have developed the technique of driving with my knees", the motorist blithely replied.

Inspector Frank Randle says : "Whatever the high-tech advances, driving will always be about concentration. It takes only a second's lapse to cause an accident to lose a life".

***(Adaptation) Vicky Payne in Reader's Digest. July, 1999, p4***

**I. TEXT COMPREHENSION (8 marks)**

**A. Who or what do these words in the text refer to? (1.5 marks)**

1. **It** (line 5) refers to : .....
2. **it** (line 9) refers to : .....
3. **they** (line 16) refers to : .....

**B. Information transfer: Fill in the chart below with information from the text.**

**(2 marks)**

Full name	Occupation	Victim of a...	Damage
Kate Alderson	4. .... .....	5. .... .....	6. .... ..... 7. .... .....

**C. Vocabulary in context: Find in the indicated paragraphs antonyms or synonyms for the following words. (1 mark)**

8. unlucky (paragraph 1) ≠ .....
9. dangers (paragraph 3) : .....

**D. Cloze: Complete the paragraph meaningfully with words from the text. Use the right form if need be. (2 marks)**

Kate Alderson was.....(10) the task of.....(11)  
a helicopter crash. Unfortunately, she was victim of a.....(12) accident. The  
accident happened because she was calling while.....(13).

**E. Looking for information: List three (3) verbs paragraph 1 that show that the accident was violent. (1.5 marks)**

14. .... 15. .... 16. ....

**II. COMMUNICATIVE COMPETENCE (6 marks)**

***F. Use the right tense of the verbs in brackets. (2 marks)***

The number of car accidents.....(17) (to get) higher and higher. This is mainly due to some motorists' insubordination. Just weeks ago an accident.....(18) (occur) around SIKILO, making numerous victims. It is high time the Senegalese government.....(19) (establish) the driving licence with a penalty point system to reduce road accidents. The situation.....(20) (be) actually alarming.

***G. Complete the dialog meaningfully and coherently. (2 marks)***

A journalist is interviewing the Secretary of transportation.

**Journalist** : Good morning Mr Minister. Thank you for accepting our invitation.

**Minister** : You're welcome.

**Journalist** : .....(21)?

**Minister** : Road accidents have increased in the past two years because some motorists are careless and irresponsible.

**Journalist**: And.....to reduce car accidents (22)?

**Minister** : We have taken drastic measures. One of them is the establishment of the driving licence with a penalty point system.

**Journalist** : .....it is a good measure(23)?

**Minister** : Of course it is. We are sure that with that kind of driving licence accidents will decrease.

**Journalist** : .....launch the road safety programme(24)?

**Minister** : Next Monday. We're launching it to sensitize both motorists and pedestrians.

***H. Use the right form of the words in brackets. (2 marks)***

Road accidents have become a.....(25) (globe) scourge. Indeed 1.3 million.....(26) (death) every year with more than 60 million.....(27) (wound). So drastic measures should be taken to.....(28) (reduction) the high death toll from accidents.

