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*You have found an article in the school newsletter. Read the entry.***Text 2 Newsletter article**

① Last weekend, our school Social Services Club held an event to help raise money for our local food bank. The Zombie Run took place in Victoria Park, and as a club member, I was invited to participate. I was unsure about what to expect at first and felt quite nervous, but I also wanted to see what all the buzz was about. The experience did not leave me disappointed!

② In my opinion, zombies were the perfect theme for this cause, since they are hungry creatures, and we were striving to end hunger in Hong Kong. By trying to run away from zombies, we are showing that we are attempting to escape hunger. What an unusual and intriguing way to raise awareness for an important

issue! Some may say that this makes light of the issue of hunger, but at least the interesting concept raises awareness of the issue and encourages people to get involved.



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3 On the day of the event, 150 club members arrived at the location. In the 3-km race, participants were designated as either 'zombies' or
20 'survivors'. I was one of the survivors (and hoping I would stay that way!). We had to dodge the zombies and other obstacles as we sprinted and hurdled our way towards the finishing line. The zombies looked so frightening! Seeing the gruesome undead hobbling and snarling behind me helped me run so much faster than I thought possible. I should have timed
25 myself to see if I beat my personal record! One zombie looked particularly real, and when he reached out to grab me, I could not help screaming at the top of my lungs. I found out later that he did his own make-up and made his own costume. Now that's dedication!

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4 It was a day of non-stop excitement and entertainment for all participants and spectators. I do not think any of us have laughed and screamed so much in our lives. My favourite part was watching unaware passers-by react to the zombies. Some of them looked like

they thought it was actually the end of the world! When they learnt what we were doing, some of these people made donations to our cause.

5 There is no reason why you cannot have fun while raising money for a
40 good cause. In fact, it may help you raise even more funds. At the end of the day, over 10,000 dollars was collected to help feed the hungry. Social Services Club chairperson Keith Lee pointed out that there will be another
Zombie Run next year and advised us to start planning our outfits and stocking up on fake blood! I really hope more people will get involved with
45 this fun event the next time it comes around. Let's support the next Zombie Run! Will you be a zombie or a survivor?

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Comprehension 2 *Your parents want to know more about the article. Answer their questions using information from the article. For multiple-choice questions, choose the best answer and blacken ONE circle only.*

1 i) What school club is Jason Hui a member of?

ii) What do you think this club usually does?

2 Has Jason participated in a Zombie Run before? Justify your response using information from the text.

3 Where did the Zombie Run take place?

4 Why did Jason think zombies were a good theme for the cause? Use your own words to explain.

5 Why does Jason say that some people may think the zombie theme 'makes light of the issue of hunger' (line 15)?

6 Find TWO words in paragraph 2 that mean the same as 'fascinating'.

i) _____

ii) _____

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7 Number the following events in chronological order. Write 1–6 on the lines provided.

Jason reached the finish line of the event. _____

The survivors started running away from the zombies. _____

Club members arrived at the park. _____

Keith Lee said the event would happen again the next year. _____

A real-looking zombie tried to grab Jason. _____

Jason screamed very loudly. _____

8 i) What does 'that way' refer to in line 20?

ii) What did Jason mean when he said that he was hoping he'd 'stay that way'?

9 Find words in paragraph 3 that mean the same as the following:

i) selected _____

ii) avoid _____

iii) ran quickly _____

iv) horrific _____

v) commitment _____

10 How did unaware passers-by react to the Zombie Run at first? How did this change?



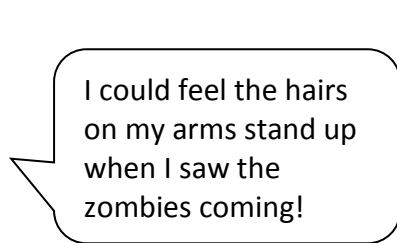
11 What is the main idea of paragraph 4?

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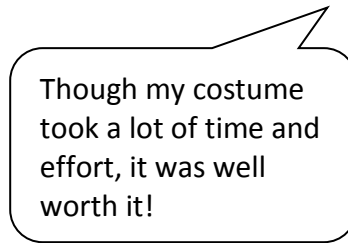
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12 Match each of the following speech bubbles with one of the people introduced in the newsletter. Write the appropriate name under the speech bubble.



i) _____



ii) _____



iii) _____

13 Complete this summary about the Zombie Run using information from paragraph 5. Use **ONE** word to complete each blank.

The Zombie Run proves that people can _____ money for a good cause while also having fun. In the end, the event _____ over \$10,000 for charity. _____ Zombie Run will take place next year, and people can show their _____ by participating.

14 What is the purpose of this text?

- A to provide information about the success of the Zombie Run
- B to instruct readers how to organize a Zombie Run
- C to explain the goal of the Zombie Run
- D to advertise next year's Zombie Run

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15 Would you rather be a zombie or survivor in a Zombie Run? Explain your answer.
