

## PROPOSITION DE CORRIGÉ série S et ES LV1

1. The characters are Kit Oxenford, Stanley Oxenford, Nigel Buchanan, Toni Gallo.

a) Say if they are present or mentioned.

Kit Oxenford is present (0.5) while the other characters - Stanley Oxenford, Nigel Buchanan, Toni Gallos - are all mentioned (1.5).

Total : 2

b) What is the connection between them?

Stanley Oxenford is Kit's father (1). Toni Gallo is Stanley Oxenford's chief of security at Oxenford Medical (1) and Nigel Buchanan is the man who will sell the stolen antiviral drug for Kit (/ the man who will steal the antiviral drug for Kit) (1).

Total: 3

2. Who is the main character?

The main character is Kit Oxenford. (1)

Total : 1

3. Whose company is Kit planning to rob? What does he want to take?

Kit is planning to rob a pharmaceutical company - Oxenford Medical (1,5)- which belongs to his father. He wants to steal a new antiviral drug (1,5).

Total 3

4. Where is Oxenford Medical actually situated? How is this place also referred to in the text? Explain this metaphor. (30 words)

Oxenford Medical is in Scotland (1). This place is nicknamed "the Kremlin" (1). It must be very hard to enter the building owing to the countless security devices it is equipped with (2). (30 word)

Total : 4

*Read from l. 1 to l. 10*

5. What sort of relationship does Kit have with his father and how does it motivate Kit's robbery? (40 words)

The relationship between Kit and his father seems to be very tense and full of hatred (1) since he seems to rejoice at the idea of ruining his father. It motivates Kit's robbery because it will provide him with an opportunity for revenge/retaliation (2) for something that must have happened between the two men. (40 word)

+ 1 pt langue. Total : 4

6. In what way is Kit different from his usual self today? Say why. (30 words)

Read from l. 11 to l. 26

Kit usually never worries and rarely plans (1) anything. Today, he feels anxious and excited (1), probably because he planned everything (1) carefully in order to break into the BSL4 lab, and he knows that there are obstacles to overcome . ( 1) (30 word)

+ 1 pt langue. Total : 4

7. Are the following statements right or wrong? Justify with a quotation from the text.

a) The police will know if an intruder enters Oxenford Medical.

Wrong. "*None of that would protect the place against Kit and his collaborators*" (l. 18) (1)

b) Kit does not expect anyone to be present.

Wrong. "*the guards, watching important areas on closed-circuit television cameras, patrolling the premises hourly.*" (l. 19-20) (1)

c) Unknown visitors cannot enter the building.

Right. "*the elaborate scheme of access control: the plastic credit-card passes, each bearing a photo of the authorized user plus details of the user's fingerprint*" (l. 24-25) (1)

Total : 3

Read from l. 27 to l. 31

8. What two advantages will enable Kit to overcome the difficulties he faces? Explain in your own words. (20 to 30 words)

Firstly, Kit studied computer science (1) at university and he was top of his class and secondly he is the one who created the computer software which controls the building's security so he knows all about its secrets.(2). (23 word)

+ 1 pt langue. Total : 4

Read from l. 32 to the end

9. How much does Kit know or guess about the people he is working for and their motivations? (50 words)

Kit knows the name of his client (Nigel) (1) but doesn't know who Nigel is working for (1). He knows the drug has to be delivered on Christmas Day (1) but doesn't know why (1), he supposes that his client works for another pharmaceutical firm (1) willing to obtain a sample of the new drug without spending time on research (1) and , that way avoid paying millions to Oxenford Medical.(1) (52 word)

+ 1 pt langue .Total 7+1 = 8

10. Why is the choice of date particularly important? Explain in your own words. (40 words)

The new drug has to be stolen and delivered on Christmas. It is a period of the year when people are less vigilant and focus on celebrating and partying. The atmosphere at work is looser. Breaking into the building should be easier. People have three days ' holiday at that time of year so they will be away from the lab for three days. (42 word) (4)

+ 1 pt langue. Total : 5

11. Translate from "*His degree was in computer science...*" l. 28 to "*..... Kit knew its secrets.*" l. 31.

*extrait* : His degree was in computer science, and he had been top of his class, but he had an even more important advantage. He had designed the software that controlled the entire security setup at the Kremlin. It was his baby. He had done a terrific job for his ungrateful father, and the system was virtually impenetrable to an outsider, but Kit knew its secrets

*traduction* :

Il avait un diplôme en informatique,/  
et il avait été premier de sa classe,/  
mais il avait un atout encore plus important./  
Il avait créé le logiciel/  
qui contrôlait entièrement le système de sécurité du Kremlin./  
C'était son bébé. Il avait fait un boulot génial /  
pour son ingrat de père,/  
et le système était virtuellement inaccessible à un étranger,/  
mais Kit connaissait ses secrets.

(9 unités de sens sur 1point = 9)

Total : 50pts à mettre sur 10 pts