1.3 Imperfect Tense and Contrasting It With the Preterite: 10-minute Pack

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Total Marks

Name: _____ Date: ____ / ____ / _____

Answer every question. Full sentences are required in the tense-choice justification items. Time guidance: 10 minutes.

1 Conjugate the verb 'hablar' (to speak) in the imperfect for 'nosotros' to complete the sentence: Cuando éramos pequeños, nosotros siempre _____ con nuestros vecinos.

(Total for Question 1 is 1 mark)

2 Conjugate the verb 'comer' (to eat) in the imperfect for 'ella' to complete: De niña, ella siempre _____ fruta después de clase.

(Total for Question 2 is 1 mark)

3 Conjugate the verb 'vivir' (to live) in the imperfect for 'yo' to complete: Cuando tenía ocho años, yo _____ en un pueblo pequeño.

(Total for Question 3 is 1 mark)

4 Conjugate the verb 'jugar' (to play) in the imperfect for 'tú' to complete: ¿Cuando eras pequeño, tú _____ al fútbol cada sábado?

(Total for Question 4 is 1 mark)

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5 Choose the correct tense and give one-word justification in English. Sentence: 'Cuando _____ (ser) niños, mis primos y yo siempre _____ (ir) a la playa.'

(Total for Question 5 is 2 marks)

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6 Translate the short Spanish passage into English. Passage: 'Anoche, mientras mi padre cocinaba, mi madre llamó a un amigo y nosotros charlábamos en la cocina.' Translate in full into English, preserving tense contrast.

(Total for Question 6 is 6 marks)

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Mark scheme · 1.3 Imperfect Tense and Contrasting It With the Preterite: 10-minute Pack

Question 1

hablábamos **B1**

Answer: hablábamos

Question 2

comía **B1**

Answer: comía

Question 3

vivía **B1**

Answer: vivía

Question 4

jugabas **B1**

Answer: jugabas

Question 5

éramos; íbamos - both imperfect because repeated/habitual actions and description **B1**

Justification: 'habitual' or 'repeated' **B1**

Answer: éramos; íbamos; habitual

Question 6

Anoche, while my father was cooking (or 'my father cooked' depending on wording), correct sense **B1**

my mother rang a friend / called a friend, correct preterite interpretation **B1**

and we were chatting in the kitchen, correct imperfect background **B1**

coherent full-sentence English with tense contrast preserved **B1**

appropriate linking words 'while' and 'and' used or equivalent **B1**

overall accurate translation with meaning fully conveyed **B1**

Answer: Last night, while my father was cooking, my mother called a friend and we were chatting in the kitchen.

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