SECTION 1 – GRAMMAR AND USAGE

INSTRUCTIONS: P. 36.

Read the following passage carefully, then answer the questions that follow.

Boys Club of The Bahamas
(Tips for Parents)

As parents, there is no way that we can completely protect our boys from sexual abuse, but there are some ways we can encourage less chances of it occurring. Unfortunately, just teaching our boys not to talk to strangers or 'unusual' people is not enough. In fact, the child knows approximately 85% of the sexual offenders and 50% of parent figures. Here are various tips on how to prevent child abuse:

- Tell your son that if someone tries to touch his body in a way that makes him feel 'funny' or uncomfortable, say "No", then go and tell an adult he trusts.
- Talk to your son every day about contacts with other people. Ask him about his feelings. This helps to encourage him to talk to you about anything that may occur.
- Instead of teaching your son 'blind obedience' to adults, teach him to respect those in authority. Don't tell your child to do *everything* a babysitter or teacher tells him. Instead, teach him that most adults are good people to be respected and that he should listen to his own heart. Tell him that it is okay to say "No" to an adult (or even a "friend") if he is asked to do something wrong.
- Teach your son that it is okay to ask for help, no matter the reason. Show him that he can be strong without being too aggressive.
- Encourage your son not to keep secrets from you and don't practise keeping secrets in your family.
- Let your son know that he can always tell you anything no matter what anyone tells him. Assure him that you will keep it in the strictest confidence.

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Fill in the blanks in each of the following sentences with a **SINGLE** word so as to complete the sense. The word you use should be made out of a word **already used** in the passage.

As parents, there is no way we can completely protect our boys from being sexually (1) _____ (*Line 1*), but there are some ways we can (2) _____ (*Line 2*) the chances of it occurring. Unfortunately, just teaching our boys not to talk to strangers is not enough. In fact, the child has (3) _____ (*Line 3*) of approximately eighty-five per cent of sexual offenders. Here is a (4) _____ (*Line 4*) of tips on how to prevent child abuse: Tell your son that if someone (5) _____ (*Line 5*) his body in a way that makes him feel 'funny' or uncomfortable, say "No". Talk to your son (6) _____ (*Line 7*) about contacts with other people. Ask him about how he (7) _____ (*Line 8*). This helps to encourage him to talk to you about anything, especially unusual (8) _____ (*Line 8*) that may take place. Instead of teaching your son 'blind obedience' to adults, he should be (9) _____ (*Line 9*) to respect those in authority. Tell him that it is okay to say "No" to an adult (or even a friend) if he is asked to do something wrong. Teach your son that it is okay to ask for help, no matter the reason. Tell him that he can show his (10) _____ (*Line 15*) without being too aggressive.

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