

READING COMPREHENSION

TEST # 15 “HIT AND RUN”

It was the night of 15 Nov 2008 and the air was still. The streets were quiet and there were few cars around though it was a Saturday night which is known to be busy. The street was dark as the street lights were not functioning due to a blackout that started at 1900hrs. Along the main street of Comoro Rd, a few pockets of youths were seen chatting by the side of the road.

At about 2328hrs, one of the Comoro patrols, Comoro 31, was alerted by the National Operations Centre to proceed to Comoro Road just past the Australian Embassy as there was a traffic accident that took place about 3 minutes ago. Comoro 31 responded that they were proceeding from Banana Road.

Comoro 31, which consisted of 2 UNPOLs and 1 Timorese Police officer, hurried to the scene in vehicle number UN 764. The Team Leader was UNPOL John Graham from New Zealand. He was an experienced police officer with 20 years of service.

Upon arrival at the scene, Comoro 31 discovered that it was a hit and run accident with 2 pedestrians injured. One was lying by the side of the road and another was seated on the kerb next to him. Without any further delay, UNPOL Graham directed his patrol partner to summon for the ambulance. UNPOL Graham then rendered first aid to the injured person who was lying on the road. He also instructed the Timorese police colleague to enquire if there were any witnesses to the accident. The seriously injured victim, the one lying by the side of the road, was identified as Gonsalves Anthony Soares, 21 yrs old. He was a second year business student at the University of Timor Leste and resided in Mandarin. He sustained head injuries and was bleeding from his nose and ears. It was also suspected that he fractured his right arm due to the deformity observed. He was semi-conscious and was not responding to calls. The other victim, Norbeto Julius Martins sustained bruises on his right knee due to falling after being pushed by Gonsalves when the vehicle was about to hit them.

It was established that the 2 injured persons were walking along Comoro Road towards Norbeto's house when they were hit by a red and white car with an unknown plate number. The vehicle, which was believed to be a UN Police vehicle, hit a nearby lamp post after hitting them before it sped away after the accident. There were fragments of broken orange glass found in the vicinity of the lamp post. The fragments were believed to be from the signal light of the vehicle.

About 15 minutes later the ambulance arrived and conveyed the injured persons to the hospital. It was later revealed that Gonsalves succumbed to his injuries and passed away whilst on the way to the hospital. An eyewitness was identified and would be assisting police with the investigation.

QUESTIONS: READING TEST # 15
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Family Name:..... **First Name:** **CP:**

Country:.....**Date of test:**.....

Q1: What day and date did the accident occur?

Q2: Where did Comoro 31 respond from?

Q3: How many people were in patrol Comoro 31?

Q4: What did UNPOL John Graham instruct his Timorese police colleague to do?

Q5: What was the occupation of the seriously injured victim?

Q6: How did the second victim sustain his injury?

Q7: What did the suspected UN vehicle hit?

Q8: What evidence was left at the crash scene?

Q9: What happened to the seriously injured victim?

Q10: What were the 2 victims doing at the time the accident occurred?
