Read the passage below and answer questions 1-6.

NUTS ABOUT PEANUTS

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All the young woman did was take a little taste of food at a restaurant, but one bite was enough to trigger an immediate and extreme allergic reaction. She died shortly before reaching a hospital. The cause? Nuts which were in the dish she had tried.

In the above story, no one was at fault except the woman herself. She was quite aware that she suffered from a potentially life-threatening allergy to peanuts and nuts. Nevertheless, she didn't inquire about the ingredients in the food. However, in most cases, severely allergic people aren't to blame for their coming into contact with forbidden foods. Knowing that peanut and nut allergies are among the deadliest of food allergies, they take every possible step to safeguard themselves. For them, even breathing air filled with peanut particles can be fatal.

Keeping these facts in mind, the necessity of going out of our way to accommodate people who need to avoid peanuts and nuts should be obvious. Apparently, it isn't. Some airlines have refused to substitute other snacks for the little bags of peanuts handed out on flights, even though proximity to peanuts has resulted in at least one in-flight death. On one occasion, when an airline did serve a different refreshment, an angry passenger threatened to sue because she had been deprived of her precious peanuts.

In schools, the situation isn't much different. Many administrators refuse to ban peanuts and nuts and especially peanut butter, the sandwich spread of choice among schoolchildren, preferring to banish allergic children to separate tables which are hopefully sterile. And when principals do decide to turn their schools into peanut- and nut-free zones, parents often become as irate as the peanut-less passenger. After all, how dare the school give in to the demands of a few allergic children and their parents, causing their darlings to be deprived beyond belief?

Is there really any comparison between dying and having to do without a favorite snack for a few hours, or am I the one who's nuts?

QUESTIONS (70 points)

Answer questions 1-6 in English as instructed, according to the passage.

1. COMPLETE THE SENTENCE.

The story in lines 1-4 teaches us _____

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(10 points)

2. How does the woman mentioned in lines 1-4 differ from most people who suffer from an allergy to peanuts and nuts? (lines 5-11)

ANSWER: _____

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(10 points)

3. COMPLETE THE SENTENCE. (lines 5-18)

Why is it so important that airlines stop serving peanuts on flights?

Allergic people don't need to _____

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(12 points)

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4. COMPLETE THE TABLE BELOW (WRITE TWO ANSWERS, 6-8 WORDS FOR EACH ANSWER). (lines 12-25)

Compare the attitudes towards allergic people on flights to the attitudes towards allergic people in schools.

	Flights	Schools
i)	Some airlines won't replace peanuts with other snacks.	
ii)		Parents complain that their children can't eat peanuts.

(2x8=16 points)

5. a) CIRCLE THE CORRECT ANSWER, YES or NO.

The writer thinks that it is ridiculous that so much has to be done to help people suffering from an allergy to peanuts and nuts. YES / NO

(3 points)

b) Copy the words from the text which support your answer.

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(3 points)

6. The writer of this passage employs sarcasm as a way of making his point. Copy TWO words or phrases from the text which are written in a sarcastic tone.

i) _____

ii) _____

(2x8=16 points)