Part 4

Read the text below and answer questions 25 to 34.

SPINACH AND BITTER GOURD!

"Govind, finish your food. Do not waste food," said his mother.

"I don't like spinach and bitter gourd. You know that, Ma," replied Govind.

"I have told you before. Be thankful for what God has given us. Eat what is available without complaining," answered his mother but Govind did not listen to her.

A week later, a tragedy took place. His father, the sole breadwinner of the family had a silent heart attack and passed away in his sleep. He was only 45 years old. The family reeled in shock. Govind's father did not have much savings and his relatives were unable to help.

Govind's mother had to go to work in a factory as she had to feed and educate three children. Food was scarce. His mother's pay was not enough. She began to make cakes and cookies to supplement her income. In the evenings, Govind and his younger brother walked around busy areas with a basket selling them. During weekends, they worked in a *mamak* shop washing plates and glasses. They ate unsold food which the restaurant owner allowed them to take home. He no longer refused spinach or bitter gourd.

The hardship they went through changed Govind. He became determined to succeed in life and make sure his mother and siblings have a good life. He paid close attention to what teachers taught in class and burned the midnight oil to study. He passed his SPM with flying colours and received a government scholarship. Now, he is an oil and gas engineer at PETRONAS. His mother no longer goes to work and he is paying for his brothers' education. Hardship in life strengthened him. He eats spinach and bitter gourd.

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Questions 25 to 32

Answer the questions below.
Choose **no more than three words and/or a number** *from the text for each answer. For each question, write your answer in the space provided on your answer sheet.*

25 Govind was advised by his mother not _____.
[1 *mark*]

26 Govind's father died of a _____.
[1 *mark*]

27 Govind's mother needed money to _____ her children.
[1 *mark*]

28 The two boys sold _____ in the evenings.
[1 *mark*]

29 During weekends, the family ate _____ from the *mamak* shop.
[1 *mark*]

30 Govind became _____ to give his family a good life.
[1 *mark*]

31 He passed his SPM _____ and received a scholarship.
[1 *mark*]

32 Govind became a stronger person due to the _____ he faced.
[1 *mark*]

Questions 33 and 34

Complete the table below with a word from the text.
For each question, write your answer in the space provided on your answer sheet.

Meaning	Word
33 not enough	
34 to add on to something	

[1 *mark*]

[1 *mark*]

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Part 5

Questions 35 to 40

You are going to read a story about mobile phones. Six sentences have been removed from the story. Choose from the sentences **(A - H)** *to fit each gap* **(35 - 40)**. *There are two extra sentences which you do not need to use.*

For each question, blacken the correct answer **(A – H)** *on your answer sheet.*

The Mobile Phone

The mobile phone or cell phone has become a very important part of our lives. There are advantages as well as disadvantages.

(35) [ ] We can contact family, relatives, friends, and people at our work places and clients easily from anywhere and at any time of the day by calling or sending messages. **(36)** [ ] This will benefit not only students but everyone from housewives to business people. Students can use them too as there are many sources of reference on the Internet which are useful. Besides these, the mobile phone is also a means of entertainment for people. **(37)** [ ] Moreover, by using the latest apps for smart phones, we can watch films, check our social networks and update our status wherever we are.

(38) [ ] Users become addicted to their mobile phones. Mobile phones are at dining tables, work place, class meetings, on buses, in the park and all other places. **(39)** [ ] Real communication with real people is limited due to lack of self-control. The use of mobile phones also takes up a lot of time needed in other areas. It not only affects studies as it distracts students from focusing on their studies but also distracts adults at work. Overuse of mobile phones is a cause of vision problems and traffic accidents too.

The mobile phone is necessary for the modern lifestyles we have today. **(40)** [ ] It will be better if we use it only when needed and at appropriate times.

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A Furthermore, people waste time on phones.

B On the other hand, the mobile phone also causes many problems.

C We can listen to music and play games on the mobile phone.

D Many people focus on their phones and not on the people sitting in front of them.

E Secondly, we can get information easily.

F The most important benefit of the mobile phone is that it is the quickest means of communication in daily life.

G However, whether it is advantageous or disadvantageous depends on the user.

H Students should not be allowed to bring phones to school.

[6 *marks*]

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