

SECTION 1 – GR. P. 83 AND USAGE

INSTRUCTIONS:

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

Police alarmed by rising drug use among children

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Police are concerned about rising drug use among children in Grand Bahama. A senior officer warned that children might even be selling drugs from their schoolbags, claiming that drug dealing was even going on in the primary schools.

In an effort to stop this trend among the young, the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports has teamed up with the Royal Bahamas Police Force to reach out to parents, teachers and community leaders to join in the fight against drugs in the schools, homes and communities. Parents need to be aware of their children's associates. Teachers and principals must also put their foot down and not tolerate unacceptable behaviour from students. 5

Drug traffickers act as business people in the community. They recruit high school students, who are also recruiting primary school students, to sell and push the drugs. The penalty on summary conviction on the charge of possession of dangerous drugs carries a \$50,000 fine or five years imprisonment, or both. Persons found guilty would have a police record of conviction and would not be allowed to travel outside the country for a period of seven years. 10

The future of our country depends on the vast majority of our young children. And this war has to be fought in every classroom, school, church and home, and on every street and every block in order for it to be successful. In this way, our children can face the challenges of a life drug free, alcohol free and violence free. 15

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Fill in the blanks in each of the following sentence. **P. 84** 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.

Police are concerned about rising drug use among children in Grand Bahama. A senior officer warned that children might be selling drugs from their schoolbags. He (1) _____ (Line 2) that drug dealing was even going on in the primary schools. In an effort to stop this trend among the young, the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports is (2) _____ up with the (Line 5) Royal Bahamas Police to reach out to parents, teachers and community leaders. Parents must be aware of their children's associates. Teachers and principals must have no (3) _____ (line 8) for unacceptable behaviour from students.

Those who (4) _____ (line 9) drugs act as business people in the community. High school students are (5) _____ (line 9) and they in turn recruit primary school students to sell and push the drugs. If (6) _____ (line 11) of the charge of possession of dangerous drugs, the penalty is \$50,000 fine, or five years imprisonment, or both. Persons whom the court (7) _____ (line 12) guilty, would have a police record of conviction and would not be allowed to travel outside the country for a period of seven years.

The future of our country depends on the vast majority of our young children. We must (8) _____ (line 15) this war in every classroom, school, church and home, and on every street and every block in order for it to be a (9) _____ (line 16). In this way, we can know that our children are (10) _____ (line 16) the challenges of a life drug free, alcohol free and violence free.