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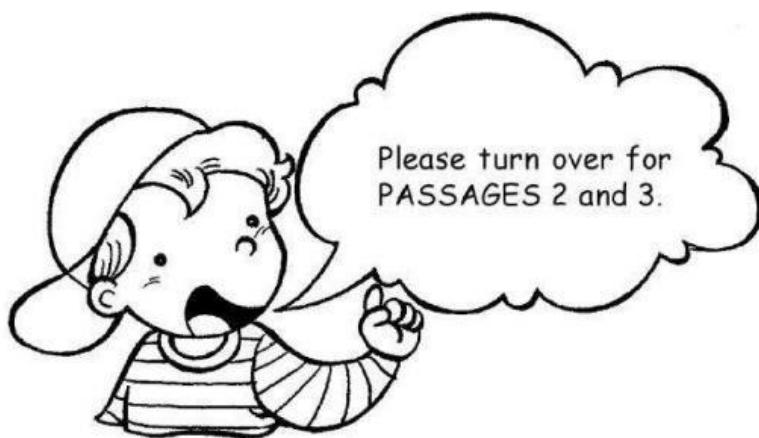
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marks**EXERCISE 32**

Read the passages carefully. Choose the most suitable word given in the boxes and write its letter (A to F) in the blanks. Use each word ONCE only.

PASSAGE 1 (3 x 1 = 3 marks)

(A) food	(C) living	(E) hands
(B) ocean	(D) creatures	(F) water

The smallest ocean plants and animals are called plankton. One teaspoon of ocean water contains a million of them. Plankton is first eaten by tiny sea **1** _____ which are then eaten by small fish. The bigger fish will eat the smaller fish. Thus, all **2** _____ life depends on plankton. It forms an extremely important role in the **3** _____ chain.



PASSAGE 2 (3 x 1 = 3 marks)

(A) busy	(C) bouncy	(E) rocks
(B) stony	(D) dead	(F) air

In warm waters, groups of tiny creatures grow on 4 close to the surface. When they die, their skeletons form 5 coral. Enough coral can grow to make an island or reef. A reef is a coral ridge that is separated from the shore by water. Parrotfish love to swim in the shallow water near the coral reefs. A hungry pack of starfish can chomp through so much coral that they can turn the reef into a 6 zone.

PASSAGE 3 (4 x 1 = 4 marks)

(A) short	(C) shallow	(E) protect
(B) everywhere	(D) small	(F) long

Most seaweeds grow like floating forests in 7 water. Their strong stems are able to grip the rocks. Their leaves can be twice as 8 as a yacht. The blankets of weed help to 9 the shore from the waves crashing onto it. It floats 10 in the Sargasso Sea which is part of the Atlantic Ocean. Sailors were often worried that their ships would get tangled up in the weeds in the days of sailing ships.