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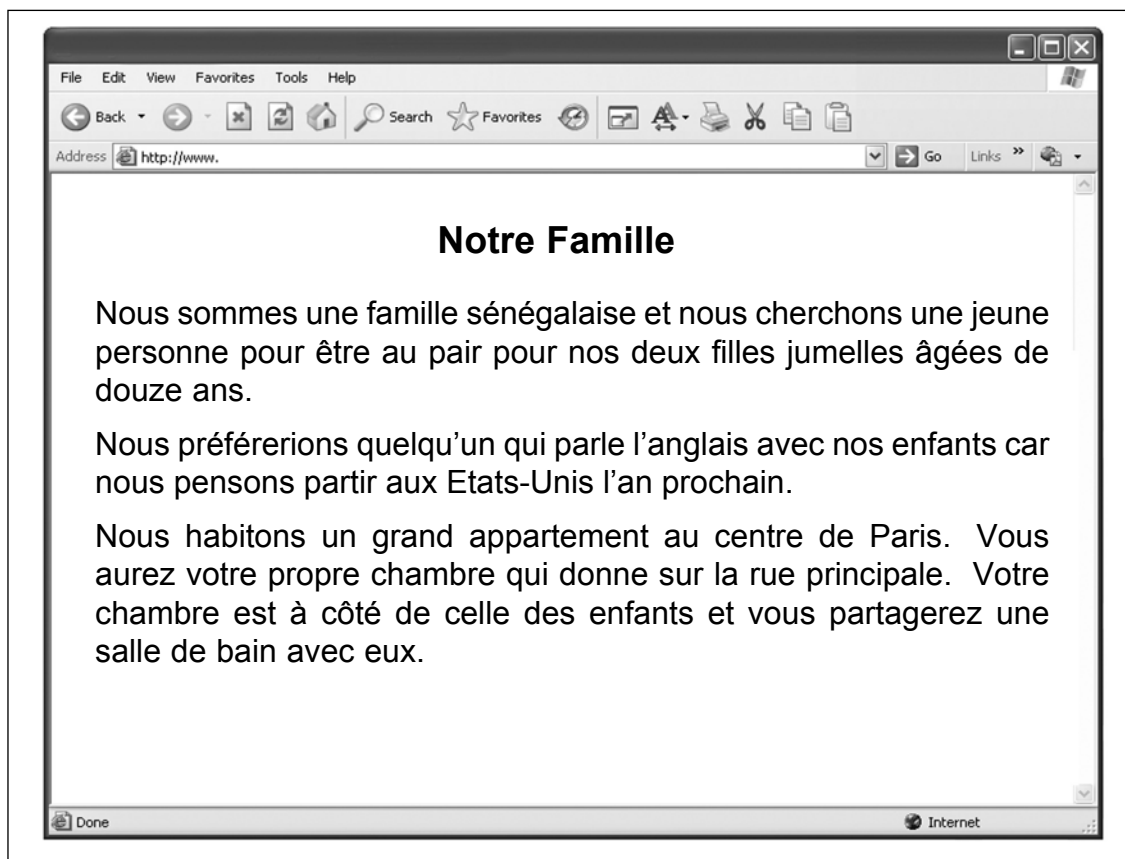
### **Context: *Employability***

(questions extracted from Intermediate 2 past papers)

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Marks

1. You want to take a year out to work in France. You see an advert on the Internet from a Senegalese family looking for an au pair to help look after their children.



- (a) Mention **two** things about the two girls in the family.

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- (b) Why would the family prefer someone who speaks English?

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- (c) What are you told about your living arrangements? Tick ( ) the **two**

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Your bedroom must be kept clean.	
You will have the main bedroom.	
Your bedroom is next to the children's.	
You will have to share the bathroom.	

Marks

2. You are interested and you read on to find out more about the

**Le travail**

Vous travaillerez tous les jours sauf le mercredi et le dimanche.

Vous aiderez les enfants à faire leurs devoirs et vous vous occuperez d'eux le soir si nous sortons.

Vous ferez de petits travaux ménagers comme le repassage ou aider à la préparation des repas.

Pendant vos jours de congé, vous pourrez suivre des cours de français ou aller vous promener dans les quartiers voisins.

(a) When will you have to work?

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(b) What will you have to do for the children?

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(c) What household tasks will you be expected to carry out? Mention any

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(d) What does the family suggest you could do on your days off? Mention any **one** thing.

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Points

3. You are looking for a job in a French speaking country and you find an Internet website for a company in Belgium.



Vous voulez travailler dans un environnement motivant et dynamique?

Nous recherchons des étudiant(e)s pour travailler comme

- \* jardiniers
- \* vendeurs/euses de glaces
- \* cuisiniers

Nous sommes une très grande compagnie avec sept parcs d'attractions en Europe et nous avons plus de quatre mille employés.

C'est l'endroit idéal pour toute la famille. Ce n'est pas cher. Le prix d'entrée inclut toutes les activités sauf les repas et les boissons.

- (a) Which jobs are being advertised? Mention any **two**.

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- (b) You are given information about the company. To what do the following numbers refer?

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- (c) What does the entry price include?

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Points

4. You also find a blog where Jean-Paul, who has previously worked for the company, writes about his experiences.



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Address <http://www.jean-paul.fr>

## Jean-Paul blog

Quand j'avais dix-neuf ans j'ai travaillé au «Parc d'Etoile» pendant les vacances de Pâques.

Quelquefois je me déguisais\* en «lapin» et je distribuais des bonbons et des oeufs en chocolat aux enfants. C'était rigolo mais je n'aimais pas mon costume. Il était trop lourd. J'avais toujours soif.

Je devais aussi faire les annonces, par exemple «Le restaurant italien est ouvert à partir de midi» et «Le parc ferme dans quinze minutes».

Ce que j'aimais le plus c'était les bons rapports entre collègues.



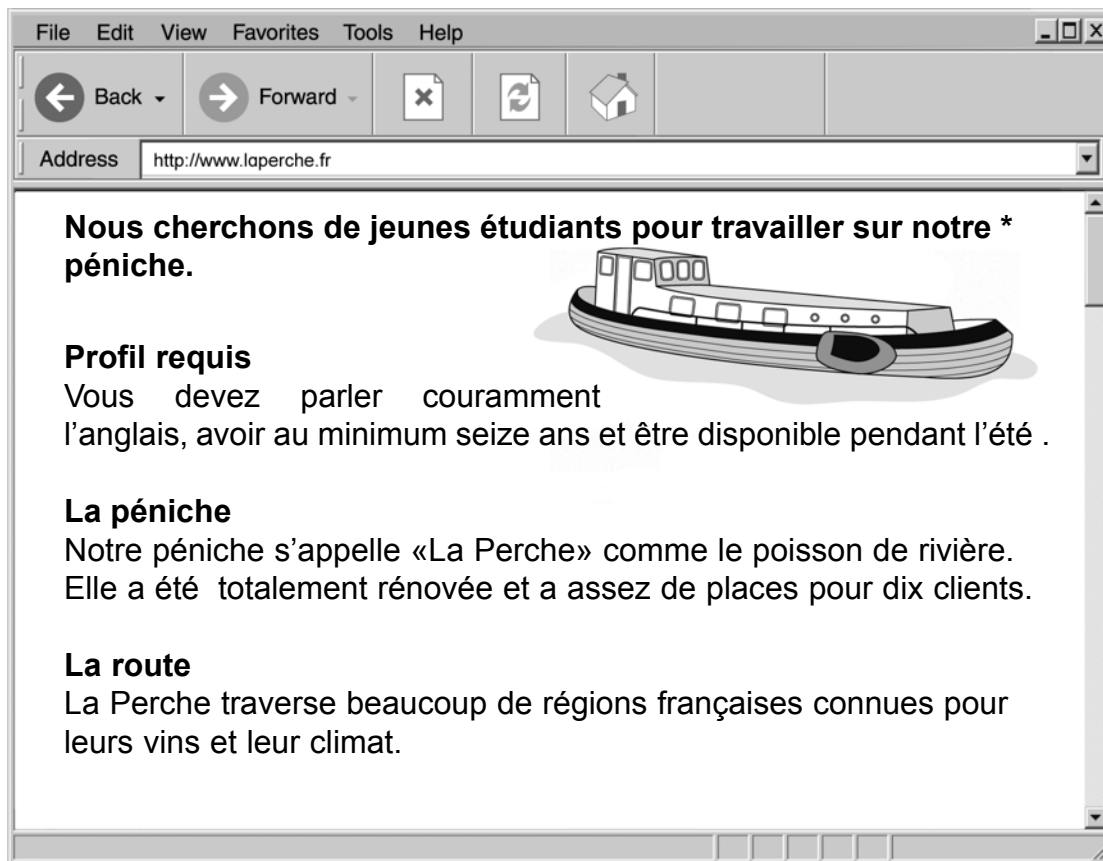
\*Se déguiser = to dress up as

- (a) When did Jean-Paul work at the “Parc d'Etoile”? Mention any **one** thing. 1
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- (b) Sometimes, as part of his job, he wore a rabbit costume. What did he have to do? Mention any **one** thing. 1
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- (c) What did he not like about his costume? Mention any **one** thing. 1
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- (d) He also had to make announcements. Give **one** example of this. 1
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- (e) What did he like most about his work? 1
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Points

You would like to work in France and you look on the Internet for some information about jobs.

5. You see this job advert.



\*une péniche = barge/canal boat

(a) According to the title, what type of people should apply for this job? **1**

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(b) What requirements must you have to be able to apply for the job? Mention any **two** things. **2**

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(c) Mention any **one** detail about the barge “ La Perche” . **1**

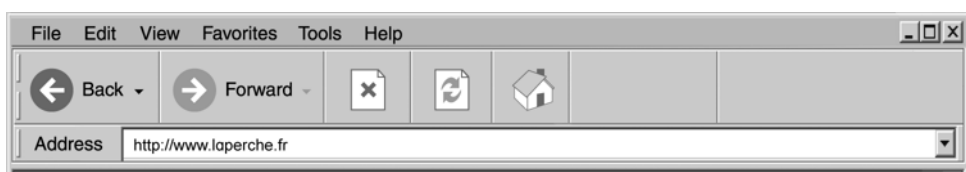
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(d) The barge passes through many regions of France. What **two** things are they famous for? **1**

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Points

6. You are interested in this job and you read on to find out more.



**Vos tâches**  
Vous serez responsable du nettoyage des cabines et des visites guidées à chaque \*escale.

**Vos horaires**  
Vous travaillerez six heures par jour, cinq jours par semaine.

**Les loisirs**  
Pendant votre temps libre vous pourrez descendre pour marcher le long du canal ou si vous préférez, vous pourrez rester à bord pour faire de la lecture.

**L'hébergement et les repas**  
Vous partagerez votre cabine avec deux autres personnes. A bord il y a une petite cuisine toute équipée pour préparer les repas.

\*une escale = port of call/stop

(a) Which **two** tasks will you be responsible for?

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(b) How long will you work **per week**?

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(c) What can you do during your free time, if you get off the barge?

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(d) What details are you given about the facilities on board? Mention any **one** thing.

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