2006

tijdvak 2 maandag 19 juni 13.30 - 15.30 uur

	ENGELS CSE KB
Bij dit examen hoort een uitwerkbijlage.	
Beantwoord alle vragen in de uitwerkbijlage.	

600051-2-633o

Dit examen bestaat uit 40 vragen.

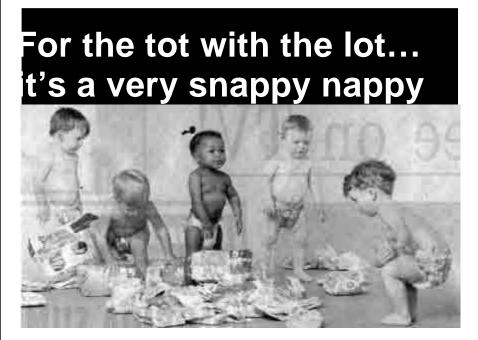
Voor dit examen zijn maximaal 46 punten te behalen.

Voor elk vraagnummer staat hoeveel punten maximaal behaald kunnen worden.

Let op: beantwoord een open vraag altijd in het Nederlands, behalve als het anders is aangegeven. Als je in het Engels antwoordt, levert dat 0 punten op.

TEKST 1

- 1p 1 Wat wordt duidelijk gemaakt over babyluiers in het onderstaande bericht?
 - A Een bekende ontwerper van kinderkleding heeft een beter passende luier ontworpen.
 - **B** Er is een nieuwe, modieuze, gekleurde luier te koop.
 - **C** Er wordt een modeshow georganiseerd om een nieuw soort luier te introduceren.
 - **D** Er zijn nu luiers voor baby's met een gevoelige huid.



At last, something every fashion-conscious tot has been crying into their rusks for — the designer nappy.

Gone are the days when Mummy's Precious Darling had to put up with having their bots covered with boring old white all the time.

Now the really trendy toddler will be seen around town in

nappies covered in colour.
Yellow, pink, pale blue, red, dark
blue — and a mixture of the lot
— are what's IN on the kiddie
catwalk, according to the clothes
firm Benetton. And Sainsbury's
are so convinced that they are
selling the new-look nappies in
46 of their super stores from
today.

Hoping the bottom won't fall out of the market, no doubt...

In het blad *Seventeen* vertellen zes jongens wat ze leuk vinden aan een meisje. Wie zoekt een meisje dat ook niet van uitgaan houdt en graag thuisblijft?

A TravisB RyanC JoeD JakeE HarrisonF Derek

©© Guys Talk

tell us the truth

Seventeen guys reveal what they love in a girl.

'I like girls who are outdoorsy.
They've got to like camping, hiking, snowboarding, all that stuff. Big, beautiful brown eyes are a plus too."

- Travis, 20, Ottawa, KS



exoti c

"I love girls with foreign accents! British, French, Italian—they're just really appealing. It's something you don't hear every day, and it makes them seem a little bit out of the ordinary."

— Ryan, 19, Daytona Beach, FL

"A girl has to like me the way I am. I don't like getting dressed up and going out that much, so I appreciate girls who enjoy staying in, just the two of us."

– Joe, 20, Minneapolis, MN

trustworthy

"One thing I
appreciate in girls is
loyalty. I look for
someone I can trust to
go out with her
friends and not be all
over other guys." –
Jake, 19, Nipoma, CA

fri endl y

"I want a girlfriend who's easy to talk to, has a variety of unique interests, and doesn't force herself on me. It's a plus to be friends with the girl first, so you can find this stuff out and get to know each other before actually dating."

Harrison, 15,Papillion, NE

down-to-earth

"A willingness to laugh at herself is really important. I'm also looking for a girl who's ready for commitment."

- Derek, 19, New York, NY

600051-2-633o

MY VALENTINE'S DAY NIGHTMARE

A ROMANTIC TRIP TO PARIS WENT HORRIBLY WRONG FOR MATT, 20 AND HIS GIRLFRIEND AMI, 19

Ami and I met at University. We'd been together for three months and I wanted to surprise her on Valentine's Day. I'd heard Paris was romantic but I was shocked to find that two flights and two nights in a luxurious hotel with a four-poster bed would cost £300! I knew Ami would love it though, so I didn't mind. The only person I told was my flatmate – I wanted her to drive us to the airport!

Over the next week, Ami pestered me about Valentine's Day but I pretended I didn't care. I think she was upset, but we'd only been going out for three months, so she probably didn't want to push things and look silly. Our flight would depart at 8pm on February 13. That afternoon I phoned Ami and told her to pack an overnight bag and be ready at her flat at 4pm. She asked what was going on, but I didn't say. Ami was surprised to see my flatmate driving the car, but my flatmate acted as if she was just dropping us off somewhere as a favour.

Suddenly I got really scared. I realised
how strange we must look, and I was
terrified that we were going to get arrested!
I didn't want to spoil Ami's surprise, but
I assumed I ought to take the blindfold off to
avoid getting into trouble. That was it – the
secret was out! Ami was really shocked to
see the policeman and didn't have a clue
what was going on, and she was pretty
scared too.

Even after I'd taken the blindfold off, the
policeman asked us loads of questions about
what we were doing. I tried to keep calm, but
my heart was racing! But somehow I managed
to convince him that it was all just a surprise
I'd planned for Ami, and eventually he said we
could drive on. I was so relieved. Ami was
really happy that I'd been so romantic, but the
surprise was ruined and we were both shaken
up. And there was more bad news to come.

When we reached the terminal, there were police everywhere and the TV screens were flashing. Our flight had been cancelled. I told Ami we would get the next flight. But my hopes were destroyed when we heard there'd be no flights until the following morning! It turned out the police had found a hand grenade in someone's luggage! We spent the night on a seat in the airport lounge and we didn't get much sleep because it was so noisy and when



I phoned the hotel to cancel our room, I was told I couldn't get a refund. I was so angry! We flew the next morning and arrived in Paris on Valentine's Day – exhausted! We tried to see the sights, but we were so upset that any hope of romance was dashed!

Luckily Ami and I are still together and we can see the funny side now. I just hope next Valentine's Day will be more romantic.

Sugar

- 1p O 3 'I didn't mind' (line 8)
 - → Wat vond Matt niet zo erg?
- 1p 4 'I think she was upset.' (line 13)

What could Ami be upset about?

The fact that Matt

- A did not really love her.
- **B** showed no interest in Valentine's Day.
- **C** was going out with his flatmate instead of with her.
- 1p 5 Kies bij de open plek op regel 26 het juiste antwoord uit de gegeven mogelijkheden.
 - **A** angry
 - **B** scared
 - C suspicious
- 1p 6 Why did Matt start to sing loudly? (line 31)
 - A He tried to draw the policeman's attention to something else.
 - **B** He did not want Ami to find out what was going on.
 - **C** He was afraid Ami would tell the policeman the truth.
- 1p 7 Why did Matt take Ami's blindfold off? (lines 32-44)
 - A Ami had found out now about their trip to Paris.
 - **B** He didn't want to have any problems with the policeman.
 - **C** The policeman ordered him to do so immediately.
- 2p O 8 → Geef van elk van de volgende beweringen aan of ze juist of onjuist zijn. (lines 59-77)

 Omcirkel 'juist' of 'onjuist' in je uitwerkbijlage.
 - 1 Matt en Ami misten hun vlucht door het oponthoud met de politie.
 - 2 Matt en Ami brachten de eerste nacht door in een lawaaiig hotel naast het vliegveld.
 - 3 Matt en Ami kregen het geld terug van het hotel in Parijs dat Matt had geboekt.
 - 4 Matt en Ami zien achteraf de lol wel in van hun mislukte tripje naar Parijs.

- 1p 9 Waarom liep Jims nieuwe vriendin boos een restaurant uit?
 - A Jim ging uitgebreid met zijn ex-vriendin zitten kletsen.
 - **B** Jim had zijn ex-vriendin ook voor het etentje uitgenodigd.
 - **C** Jim was daar al eerder met zijn ex-vriendin geweest.

Your confessions

Double Take

"As it was Valentine's, I treated my girlfriend to dinner. I wore my best clothes, and she looked gorgeous when I went to pick her up. We were halfway through our meal when my ex walked in! She marched up and said, 'I see you're still coming to the same restaurant.'

My new girl wasn't impressed I'd brought her to the same restaurant as last year's girl, and stormed out!"

Jim, 17, Torquay

TEKST 5

- 1p 10 Waarom vroeg Martin niet om het telefoonnummer van het meisje waar hij mee uit was?
 - A Hij had al een ander vriendinnetje.
 - **B** Hij vond haar toch niet zo aantrekkelijk.
 - **C** Ze deed heel erg chagrijnig tegen hem.
 - **D** Ze vond zijn broer nog steeds erg leuk.

Blind Date

"My mates decided I needed cheering up so one of the lads set me up on a blind date with his cousin. I met her at the station and we went to a café. She was nice, and stunning too! We started talking about people we had in common and it turned out she had dated my brother the year before! She then spent the whole evening talking about how great he was and how she wished he hadn't dumped her. I didn't ask for her phone number and I didn't feel too cheered-up either.

Martin, 15, Bradford

→ Waarom is parkeerwachter Sue Pentecost op haar vingers getikt?

Ticking off for ticketer



A traffic warden in Princes Risborough in Buckinghamshire has been ticked off by local authorities. They have been heaping criticism on Sue Pentecost, who has patrolled the sleepy town for seven years, accusing her of not issuing enough tickets. Sue is an unusual woman. She was destined to be a traffic officer but decided to be a traffic warden because she felt it was more community-spirited.

'There are never any traffic problems when I'm there. It's only when I'm not on duty that the town is clogged up, ' she tells me. Unsurprisingly local drivers are on her side, describing her as 'firm but fair'.

MODEL QUEST

AT THE ANNUAL MODEL QUEST COMPETITION WHERE AMATEUR MODELS CAN WIN A PROFESSIONAL MODELLING CONTRACT, NEDAHL STELIO INTERVIEWS A BEAUTY CONTESTANT WHO'LL NEVER BE MISS UNIVERSE.

As I sit in the audience at Model Quest, the atmosphere buzzes around me. I feel as though I'm at a Miss Universe contest,

5 surrounded by beautiful girls flashing whiter-than-white smiles and wearing beautiful evening dresses. But amid the glamour I spot someone who seems out of place. It's a boy in a suit! Is he an agent? The guy who hands out flowers? What? He's a contestant! Really? What is a boy doing entering a beauty 15 contest?

Meet 16-year-old James McFarland, a guy who gave up football for a chance to make it big in the world of modelling. "I always wanted to be a 20 star, so when my father brought home an entry form for Model Quest, I thought, 'Why not? I'll do it for a laugh.' And anyway, it was only \$25 to enter so I figured I had nothing to lose."

And he certainly didn't lose. In fact, in his very first attempt at the age of 13, James made it to the exciting grand final. Unfortunately he missed out on the big prize, a modelling contract. "I really want to be a 30 model when I get older and I think this beauty contest is a great way to build my confidence and get used to being in front of the camera. Plus I get noticed this way." So that's why he does it! He sheepishly admits 35 that he enjoys walking down the catwalk.

trying to find fame and fortune via Model Quest, but there are still definitely more Sarahs, Janes and Emilys than Johns, 40 Peters and Matts. "In the whole contest there are about five other guys out of around 400 girls.

Surprisingly, James is not the only guy

I guess we're outnumbered, but I'm fine with that," he says.

"I know most guys wouldn't be caught dead doing what I'm doing, but I don't care. And, thankfully, people are great about it," he remarks and then after some thought, "my friends, that is. There are a load of other guys who've said that I'm an idiot or I'm gay, but they don't know what they're talking about and I really don't care what they say. I'm doing what I'm doing because I love it, and I'm not ashamed to admit it."

Backstage at the contest it's all go, go, go, with contestants running around nervously, joking and laughing. "The atmosphere is fantastic," James says enthusiastically. "I love the whole night and everyone has a really fun time." Being surrounded by so many lovely girls doesn't mean that he's dating any of them. "I'd love to go out with some of the girls but I couldn't ask them out on the night of the competition, 65 that could damage my career."

Anyway... back to the finals. All contestants are judged on their catwalk skills only - no tap dancing or speechmaking. And unlike in Miss World contests, the Model 70 Quest entrants show their skills in a casual outfit and a formal one, while being scored by six judges. As James adjusts his bow-tie and runs his fingers through his hair, it's obvious there is a star quality about him and 75 I wish him all the best. "Thanks," he says sincerely, "but I don't think I'll need it."

gf Magazine

- 1p 12 What was special about this Model Quest Competition, according to the writer of this article? (lines 1-15)
 - A It was an all-girl competition.
 - **B** Miss Universe would be chosen there.
 - **C** There was a male competitor.
 - **D** There were so many men in the audience.
- 1p 13 Why did James think he had nothing to lose? (lines 16-24)?
 - A It would be possible to combine modelling with his football career.
 - **B** Taking part was fun and did not cost that much.
 - **C** Winning this competition was all that mattered to him.
- 2p O 14 James geeft een aantal redenen waarom hij meedoet aan 'Model Quest' (lines 29-35)
 - → Schrijf er twee op.
- 1p O **15** 'but there.....and Matts.' (lines 38-40)
 - → Wat wil de schrijver met dit deel van de zin duidelijk maken?
- 1p 16 'and then after some thought' (line 48)

What did James think about?

- A how much he likes the work he does
- **B** that his friends react in a positive way
- C why people think he is stupid
- 1p 17 Why doesn't James ask any of the girls out on a date? (lines 60-65)
 - A He does not dare to ask any of them.
 - **B** He does not have time to go out.
 - C It would make the other girls jealous.
 - **D** It would not be very professional.
- 1p 18 What does the last part of this text (lines 66-76) make clear about James?
 - A He is nervous about the outcome of this contest.
 - **B** He is sure he will do well in this contest.
 - **C** He loves the excitement of this contest.

- 1p 19 Waar heeft het woord 'litter' in deze tekst betrekking op?
 - A afgedankte huisdieren
 - B straat- en huisvuil
 - C uitwerpselen van dieren
 - D weggelopen huisdieren

THE KIND OF LITTER WE PICK UP EVERY DAY



Cardboard boxes. Carrier bags. Bin liners. All serve equally well, some people think, for getting rid of unwanted animals.

Left to die on motorway verges or council tips, the lucky survivors often end up on our doorstep.

Blue Cross is a charity that finds homes for unwanted animals, and that cares for sick or injured animals whose owners cannot afford private vet fees.

But, like these puppies, we need one thing to survive: your generosity. So please help by filling in the coupon. And remember - every penny counts.

Blue Cross, Room 748 Shilton Road, Burford Oxon. OX 18 4PF	
I enclose my donation of: £10 £20 £50 Or £	
(Cheques made payable to Blue Cross). Or debit my	
Access/Visa Card No.	
Signature Date	
Please send me my Blue Cross information pack.	
Name	
Address	
Postcode BLUE + CROSS	
74B RegCharity № 224392 Working for animals	
☐ Please tick this box if you do not wish to receive further	
information from Blue Cross or from organisations	
approved by Blue Cross.	

- O 20 In het krantje The Advertiser vind je de volgende advertentie. Om winnaar te worden van de actie van 'Toymaster' heb je waardezegels nodig.
 - → **Hoe** en **wanneer** kun je die zegels bemachtigen?



TOYMASTER

£400 WORTH OF VOUCHERS **UP FOR GRABS!** PLUS 20 TOYMASTER BEANIE PUPS, RUNNER UP PRIZES!

TOYMASTER AND THE ADVERTISER HAVE JOINED FORCES TO BRING YOU A FANTASTIC COMPETITION TO MAKE THIS FESTIVE SEASON A LITTLE EASIER ON THE POCKET.

Toymaster, on Stodman Street stocks an impressive range of toys that will appeal to children of all ages this Christmas. Three lucky readers will win:

1st PRIZE - £250 WORTH OF VOUCHERS 2nd PRIZE - £100 WORTH OF VOUCHERS 3rd PRIZE - £ 50 WORTH OF VOUCHERS

To be in with a chance of being one of our 3 lucky winners, just collect the 3 tokens which will appear in the form of the Toymaster puppy, over the next three weeks in The Advertiser. The entry form is printed opposite with token 1 printed above to start you off. When you have collected all 4 tokens, attach them to the entry form, completing the picture of the Toymaster puppy and return the form to:

TOYMASTER COMPETITION, TOYMASTER, 43 STODMAN STREET, NEWARK, NOTTS. **NG24 1AW** TEL: 01636 611211

Once completed, cut out the finished coupon and return to: Toymaster, 43 Stodman street, Newark, Notts. NG24 1AW Advertiser Group Newspapers

Golf star of 11 whose driving ambition is to win like Tiger Woods

40

50



AT the age of 11, many girls have their sights set on being a pop star, model or air hostess.

Not Henrietta (Heni) Brockway - she 5 wants to be the female version of Tiger Woods. And she has already gone a remarkably long way towards achieving her ambition.

Within two years she has cut her handicap¹⁾ from the starting level of 45 to five, the lowest in England among girls her age. She has won a string of tournaments and has been selected for elite training with the English Ladies' 15 Golf Association. But she most tries to imitate her billionaire hero Tiger Woods - the first golfer to hold all four major professional championships at once - in her dedicated approach to improving her 20 technique and fitness.

Henrietta, of Mere, Wiltshire, gets up at 6.30am every day, although it is hard, and spends an hour in the gym. Then she'll pore over the video of her previous 25 day's practice sessions or match play. She does her homework during morning and lunch break at Gillingham School in Dorset so she can practise for several

hours later in the day on the family's 30 £4,500 putting green, driving net and bunker.

She has outstripped the 89 other juniors at her golf club, Yeovil, most of whom are older boys. 'I like the competition, the adrenaline buzz of winning and beating the boys,' she said. Heni, as she is known, also shines at hockey and gains top marks for her school work.

She started playing golf at the age of five, taught by her enthusiast father lan but now she has completely outclassed him. He plays off a comparatively weak handicap of 13. Mr Brockway, 43, who owns a building company, said: 'Henrietta is an exceptional talent. Some people say we should put the brakes on for several years, but how can you stop a child who has set herself an ambition?'

Heni's coach Sarah Claridge, 31, of the Kendleshire Golf Club, near Bristol, said: 'She is definitely the best player of her age I've ever seen. She has amazing determination to excel, whatever it takes, 55 and has already told me she wants to be the best in the world.'

Heni has her future all mapped out. She hopes to turn professional by 18 and go to university at St Andrews - the home of golf. She then wants to gain experience on the European tour, before playing in America.

For the time being, though, golf is a family affair. Heni's Mauritian mother Georgina, 32, took up the sport three years ago and her brother Aaron, 10, has also followed in her footsteps.

Daily Mail

noot 1 handicap = a golf term. The lower the number the better you are.

- 1p 21 What becomes clear about Henrietta Brockway in lines 1-20?
 - A At first she had quite a different career in mind.
 - **B** She has not found the right coach yet.
 - **C** She has turned out to be a promising young talent.
 - **D** She is financially supported by a rich professional.
- 1p 22 What is said about Henrietta's daily routine in lines 21-31?
 - A After school she does her homework and tries to put in a few hours of practising golf.
 - **B** Before and after school she works on her physical condition and her golfing skills.
 - **C** She attends school in the morning and watches golf matches in the afternoon.
 - **D** She spends all her time practising golf on their own private facilities at home.
- 1p 23 What do lines 40-49 tell us about Henrietta's father?
 - A He is a bit jealous that Henrietta is a better player than he is.
 - **B** He is not able to play golf any more because of his physical condition.
 - **C** He realises that Henrietta is special and cannot be held back.
 - **D** He started up a building company after his golf career turned out to be a failure.
 - **E** He trained Henrietta himself, but would not do so again.
- 1p 24 'Heni has her future all mapped out.' (line 57)

What are Heni's plans for the future according to lines 57-62?

- A She is going to end her golf career to become a full-time student again.
- **B** She is going to travel the world when her golf career is over.
- **C** She wants to combine her golf career with an academic study.
- **D** She wants to improve her skills in America.
- 2p O 25 Henrietta heeft er veel voor over om in haar sport succes te hebben.
 - → Geef van ieder van de volgende citaten aan of de zin/het citaat uit de tekst **wel** of **niet** weergeeft dat Henrietta veel voor haar sport overheeft.

Omcirkel achter elk nummer 'wel' of 'niet' in je uitwerkbijlage.

- 1 Henrietta ... day (lines 21-22)
- 2 I like ... said. (lines 34-36)
- 3 Henrietta ... talent (line 46)
- 4 She has... takes (lines 53-54)

- 2p O **26** In een jeugdblad wordt aan vier meisjes gevraagd waar ze, behalve schoolwerk, gestresst over kunnen zijn.
 - → Zet in de uitwerkbijlage de goede voornaam achter de genoemde stressfactor.
 - 1 gevoel van onveiligheid
 - 2 problemen binnen het gezin
 - 3 relatie met haar vriendje



WHAT'S
THE NUMBER
ONE SOURCE
OF STRESS IN
YOUR LIFE?

Rachael Helschein, 15, Haiku, Hawaii

"My family and my schoolwork. My family and I don't always get along. I also attend a private school that assigns loads of homework every night, which doesn't give me a lot of time to do the things I like to do that help me deal with stress".

Nicole Mason, 15, Pikesville, Md.



"Everyday things. At school there's pressure and high expectations. After school, just walking to your house you are afraid that you may get kidnapped or jumped. You're not even safe at home. War is calling, and you may wake up to terrorist calls or buildings crashing."



Jessica Summa, 16, Wethersfield, Conn.

"School is the biggest source of stress in my life. Waking up early, concentrating all day and high expectations are a lot to handle! School is a daily battle on so many levels – social, academic and so on – and combines many difficult aspects of life all in one place."



Silvia Diaz, 14, Long Beach, Calif.

"My number one source of stress is whenever I have problems at school or with my guy because I have to figure out how to solve whatever is going on with me."

TEKST 12

- 1p 27 Op een markt in Italië zie je een bord hangen.
 - Waarom zou de eigenaar van de kraam dit bord hebben opgehangen?
 - A om de kleding die aan het rek hangt aan te prijzen
 - **B** om mensen te waarschuwen tegen zakkenrollers
 - **C** om te voorkomen dat er kleding gestolen wordt
 - **D** om te zorgen dat mensen hun hoofd niet stoten



MAFIA WARNING!

You pinch our clothes we punch your head or belly button: **OK!** if can't reach head.

Ken may be right about pigeon threat

- Seventy per cent of children living in cities carry infections caused by pigeon droppings, new research has found. Many flu type illnesses, diagnosed as viruses, may actually be caused by a fungus¹ carried by pigeons. The findings of this research will help London Mayor Ken Livingston's campaign to keep the flocks of pigeons away from Trafalgar Square. He has described the pigeons as "rats with wings".
- The research was carried out by a team from the Albert Einstein College of medicine. They selected 200 otherwise healthy children from the Bronx area in New York, which also has huge flocks of pigeons. They found out that at the age of five, 70 per cent of the youngsters were infected.



3

Dr David Goldman. in charge of the American research, said: "We don't know the long term consequences of infection, but it is clear from our findings that many children are infected. We have to determine what the consequences are, both short and long term. But we do know that it is not good to have a chronic infection in your body." He added: "The way to protect the children would be vaccination, although that might mean vaccinating

- them at an early age to prevent diseases in adult life. Otherwise we have to think of a way of getting rid of the pigeons altogether."
- 4 Mr Livingstone's plan to reduce the number of pigeons in Trafalgar Square is being
 - Alliance, a group of around thirty individuals defending the birds. The alliance decided to help the birds after a High Court action removed the licence from pigeon feed seller Bernard Rayner. Over the past few months the alliance has distributed more than a ton of seed to feed the birds on a daily basis.
- After a gradual reduction in feed the birds received their last official hand out on 30 April. It is hoped this will make the pigeons start moving elsewhere.

- Why has Mayor Ken Livingstone described pigeons as "rats with wings"? (paragraph 1) Pigeons
 - A are a danger to public health.
 - B cause damage to monuments.
 - C make too much noise.
 - D sometimes scare children.
- 2p O 29 Dr David Goldman noemt twee oplossingen voor het 'duivenprobleem'. (alinea 3)
 - → Schrijf die **twee** oplossingen op.
- 1p 30 Kies uit de gegeven mogelijkheden het woord dat het beste past bij <u>30</u> in alinea 4.
 - A criticised
 - **B** encouraged
 - C ignored
- 1p O 31 → Wat deed de 'Pigeon Alliance' om de duiven te helpen? (alinea 4)

TEKST 14

- 1p O 32 Randy schaamde zich voor zijn 'Halloween-grap'.
 - → Wat was er gebeurd?

that's scandalous!

Guys confess their most shocking behavior and shameless acts.



I egged her on!

It was Halloween and for me that means: pranks. My friends and I had bought dozens of eggs, certainly not for making omelets! Wearing masks that were really hard to see in, we all hopped in a car and went to the local supermarket to look for victims. A well-dressed woman left the supermarket ... she was the perfect victim! When our car stopped beside her, I jumped out and prepared to throw my egg when I realized that the well-dressed woman was my mom! Unfortunately, it was too late – the egg had slipped out of my hand and splattered right in my mom's face! I ran back to the car and prayed my mom wouldn't recognize me – or my friend's car. She didn't, but I felt so ashamed.

Randy, 15

Two men in a boat ... a whale ... sharks



SIMON CHALKS TELLS HOW HIS ATTEMPT TO ROW THE INDIAN OCEAN BECAME A BATTLE FOR SURVIVAL FOR HIM AND HIS ROWING MATE BILL GREAVES.

Setting off to row across the Indian Ocean should have been one of the greatest moments of my life. When we left Kalbarrie, Western Australia, for our 3,800 mile trip to Reunion Island, nearly
 2,000 people lined the shores, cheering and clapping enthusiastically. But we didn't know then that our attempt to break a 30-year-old record to cross the Indian Ocean in a rowing boat would be nothing compared to our struggle to survive.

The first days at sea could not have been better. On the third evening we even saw a huge blue whale in close-up.

It was magnificent! That night I decided we should get some sleep at 8pm. We made our boat safe and went to bed. No more than an hour later we were abruptly woken up by a loud bang. Instantly the boat moved sideways, then upside down. Our rowing boat was designed to right herself after capsizing, or at least that's what we thought! We still don't know what hit us, but we think it was a whale.

The roof of our tiny cabin suddenly became the floor. All our loose belongings fell around us. I reached for a torch and saw there was already an inch of water in the cabin. Our most vital piece of equipment was our Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacon (EPIRB). We had one lifejacket, the other was on deck. We decided to get out. Bill leaned forward and opened the hatch. The force of water was incredible. I took a deep breath and started to swim against the current and ended up on top of the boat. So there we were, upside down with nobody knowing we were in



trouble and no way of getting hold of our emergency equipment.

We dived into the water a few times to get the EPIRB back. In calm water, it wouldn't have been a problem, but the boat was rolling and lifting and then smashing back down. A last attempt was successful. The feeling of relief was immense. I activated the EPIRB more than half an hour after we flipped over. But the first plane, which we heard at 2am, didn't see the light and disappeared, leaving us with feelings of despair. The first signs of light took an eternity to come. Then we heard another aircraft. We waved, whistled and shouted please, just see us! Then it came back and showed it had seen us with a dip of its wing. Yes! On the horizon we then saw a ship, which was heading for us.

As the ship was approaching, we were continually knocked off the boat. She was so low in the water. How much longer would she stay afloat? Then shark fears grew in my mind. We were both bleeding badly and we'd been lucky so far with sharks. How long would that last? It was difficult for the ship to get near enough. But the crew managed to haul us on deck. We were saved at last! Despite this adventure there will still be a next time for me. Once was enough for Bill, but as soon as I can get a boat ready, I intend to have another go. I can only be grateful that I am around to do it; I will never understand why we survived that night. Perhaps it simply wasn't our time.

The Sunday Times

- What turned out to be the most important experience for Simon and his friend Bill, according to lines 1-16?
 - A fighting for their lives
 - B having lots of fans
 - C rowing across the Indian Ocean
 - D trying to break an old record
- 1p O 34 '...or, at least, that's what we thought!' (lines 27-28)
 - → Wat hadden de mannen verwacht dat er zou gebeuren?
- 1p 35 What was the main problem for the two men according to lines 30-46?
 - A They could not get out of the boat.
 - **B** They could not reach the emergency equipment.
 - **C** They had no torch and could not see a thing.
 - **D** They had only one lifejacket.
- 1p O 36 'The feeling of relief was immense.' (lines 52-53)
 - → Waarom waren Bill en Simon zo opgelucht?
- 1p 37 'How long would that last?' (lines 71-72)

What is Simon referring to?

He refers to how long it would last before

- A sharks would attack them.
- **B** the ship would save them.
- **C** their rowing boat would sink.
- 1p 38 What does Simon mean with the last sentence (lines 81-82)?
 - A They had just been very unlucky.
 - **B** They should not have gone on this trip together.
 - C They were not meant to die yet.
 - **D** They were not prepared well enough to break the record.

- Vijf jongens beantwoorden de vraag: "Wat vind je het meest verwarrend aan meisjes?"
 Welke jongen vindt dat meisjes altijd op de verkeerde jongens vallen?
 - A Marcel
 - **B** Antonio
 - **C** Travis
 - **D** Michael
 - **E** Brandon

Answer the question, please!

"What confuses you most about girls?" — Reported by Wendy Paris



"Their strange obsession with holding something in their hands while talking. They're always playing with their hair."

MARCEL, 17

SAN JOSE, CA



"I just don't understand why the majority of girls choose to go out with jerks. Girls complain of being hurt by guys, but they still date the bad ones." ANTONIO, 16 BROOKLYN, NY



"Why does it take them so long to get ready? My girlfriend will try something on and then change three times, when the first outfit looked good."
TRAVIS, 18
RENO, NV



"Once I told a girl I would maybe see her at a party. The next day she said I didn't pay enough attention to her. Why do girls blow things out of proportion?" MICHAEL, 15 HILLSDALE, NJ



"Even when a girl likes you, she won't always show it. Girls are flirty one day, and the next day they're not. A guy can get mixed signals".

BRANDON, 17

ROCKWELL,
TX

1p O 40 → Waarom vindt Julia Covington dat haar vriend Craig 'in the stocks' (aan de schandpaal) moet?

ON THE THRONE

CALMING INFLUENCE

Two months after I met my boyfriend Dave I started having severe anxiety attacks.

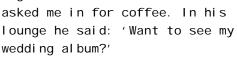
They often prevented me from going out. Dave could have left me but instead he stood by me through the worst of it. He was always understanding and encouraging. Now I'm much better and Dave had a large part to play in my recovery. Please put him on the throne.

Ruth McLachlan Haydon Close, Newcastle-upon-Tyne



PICTURE THIS I was on my first date with Craig. After a

lovely night he



IN THE STOCKS

He showed me photos of him and his ex-wife on their big day. We're still together, but put him in the stocks for a week!

Julia Covington Duncan Court, Wellingborough, Northants

Do you know someone who deserves to go on the throne or in the stocks? Send pics and reasons, plus a daytime phone number, to 'Take a Break', 24-28 Oval Road, London NW1 7DT. £75 paid if published.

