

ANGLAIS – LV1**Durée : 2 heures****Séries ST2S – STI – STL : coefficient 2****Série STG :**

- « **Communication et gestion des ressources humaines** » : coefficient 3
- « **Mercatique** » : coefficient 3
- « **Comptabilité et finance d'entreprise** » : coefficient 3
- « **Gestion des systèmes d'information** » : coefficient 2

Séries STI, STL	Compréhension : 12 points	Expression : 8 points
Séries STG, ST2S	Compréhension : 10 points	Expression : 10 points

Vous devez rédiger toutes vos réponses sur une copie en respectant strictement l'ordre des questions. Vous indiquerez clairement et en détail la numérotation de celles-ci.

L'usage de la calculatrice et du dictionnaire n'est pas autorisé.

My love for the outdoors didn't end with winter. I must have been fifteen when I told my father, "I love to go beachcombing on Crane's Beach. I want to see if I can live like an Indian down there for a week. I'd like to do it by myself. Would that be all right?" Crane's Beach, a lovely, sandy stretch five hundred feet wide with sand dunes seventy feet high, was sculpted into steep, curving sides on the windward north. Although dunes change their shape with every high wind, they gradually sloped to the south. The side was too steep to climb because our feet wouldn't hold, and if we tried, the sand flowed downward into a miniature avalanche.

By then my father had gotten used to my strange ideas of adventure. He didn't oppose the idea, but he didn't like my going there alone. "Can't you get somebody to go with you? Can't you get Eddie to go along?"

"I asked, but he's going on a trip to Maine with his parents. And anyway, I can take care of myself." In those days, no one worried about strangers or abductors. I knew my father was concerned about my being alone in case I got hurt. "I'll be fine, Father," I assured him. I was tall for my age, already nearly six feet, and broad shouldered. I looked sixteen or seventeen.

"Norman, I'm not sure that's a good idea."

"Why not? I'll be perfectly safe. It's summer and there's no danger down there. I've been on many daytime picnics at Crane's Beach. Father, this is important to me. I've read about how the Indians used to live. I want to go and not take anything with me. I want to see if I can live off the beach."

"What will you eat?"

"I'll live like the Indians did. I won't get cold, you know. I'll have plenty of good wood for a fire. And I know how to start a fire by rubbing two sticks together. Mainly, I'll eat clams. The Indians did it for centuries. Certainly I can do it for a week."

"What about water?"

"I can get my water where the deer do." I had learned that I could find water by tracking deer, which was fun. [...] "Please, Father, I want to see what it's like to be absolutely alone."

Father thought I was crazy. He stared at me as if he could not understand why anyone would have such a desire. "What are you going to do if it rains?"

"I'll get wet," I said. "But it's summer, and I'll dry off, won't I?"

"I shall have to think about it," he answered.

I persisted. Each day I asked, assuring him that I would be safe, that I wouldn't take chances, and that I would walk home if it didn't work for me. It was only five miles.

"All right, Norman," he said. "You have proven you're trustworthy. You may go for one week."

"Thank you, Father," I said. He gave me permission on a Monday. The following morning, after he left for work, I rode in his chauffeur-driven car to Crane's Beach. Before the car left me, I had to promise Arthur, the driver, I wouldn't do anything dangerous. A keen hunter, Arthur had taught me how to handle a gun and how to shoot.

I wore what today would be called sneakers, jeans, and a cotton shirt. I carried no other clothes, no food, no knife, and no matches. After waving good-bye, I began to orient myself.

Norman Vaughan, *My Life Of Adventure*, 1995.

NOTE AUX CANDIDATS

Les candidats traiteront tous les exercices sur la copie qui leur sera fournie et veilleront à :

- respecter l'ordre des questions et reporter la numérotation sur la copie (numéro de l'exercice et, le cas échéant, la lettre repère ; ex. :1a, 1b, etc.)
- faire précéder les citations éventuellement demandées du numéro de ligne dans le texte.

GENERAL COMPREHENSION

Choose the correct answer.

1 – This document is

- a) an extract from a science magazine
- b) a press article
- c) an extract from a biography.

2 – The best title for this extract is

- a) A Camping Holiday
- b) Surviving Alone
- c) Indian Traditions.

3 – Norman is

- a) the chauffeur
- b) the father
- c) the narrator.

4 – At the beginning the father is

- a) worried
- b) careless
- c) indignant.

5 – Crane's Beach is

- a) by the river
- b) by a lake
- c) by the sea.

6 – He would track deer to find

- a) fire
- b) clams
- c) water.

7 – The story takes place in

- a) Europe
- b) the USA
- c) India.

DETAILED COMPREHENSION

1 – Right or wrong? Justify your answers by quoting from the text.

- a) The narrator was a teenager when he wanted to go to Crane's Beach.
- b) Norman wants to go to Crane's Beach in winter.
- c) Norman's father refuses to trust his son.
- d) Norman will be very far from his home.
- e) The narrator wants to live with the Indians on Crane's Beach.
- f) The narrator is from a wealthy family.

2 – Pick out phrases which indicate that

- a) the narrator is determined.
- b) the father is anxious about danger.
- c) camping on one's own was considered less dangerous for a teenager in those days than today.
- d) it wasn't easy for the narrator to convince his father.

3 – Who or what do the following words refer to?

- a) (line 12) But **he's** going on a trip to Maine with his parents
- b) (line 18) It's summer and there's no danger **down there**
- c) (line 25) The Indians did **it** for centuries
- d) (line 33) I shall have to think about **it**
- e) (line 35) **It** was only five miles
- f) (line 36) You have proven **you're** trustworthy

4 – Find the synonyms in the text for

- a) open air
- b) on my own
- c) anxious
- d) insisted
- e) next
- f) he allowed me

EXPRESSION

Vous traiterez les **DEUX** sujets suivants :

1. Would you be afraid of spending a week alone in an isolated place? (*80 words*)
2. After his week away from home, Norman writes to Eddie and gives him all the details. Imagine his letter. (*120 words*).