

**THE LAST LETTER (proposé par Stella PETER et Alex MASTIER)**

| Questions<br>(du général au particulier)   | Descripteurs   | Réponses attendues   | Points               |
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| <b>Degré 1</b><br>1) Quelle est la nature du document ? justifiez  | <b>Comprend les mots , les signes ou des éléments isolés.</b>  | C'est une lettre<br>Dear Sir / the Times,<br>April 16th 1890   | <b>1 ou 2 pts</b>    |
| <b>Degré 2</b><br>2) De qui parle-t-on ?   | <b>Comprend partiellement les informations principales.</b>  | Joseph Merrick /<br>Elephant man   | <b>3 ou 4 pts</b>    |
| <b>Degré 3</b><br>3) Que savez-vous de J . Merrick   | <b>Comprend les éléments significatifs ainsi que les liens entre les informations.</b>                                     | Il avait un problème, il ne pouvait pas travailler car il était très laid<br>Mort la nuit précédente Sa laideur était de naissance<br>Il a vécu heureux au London Hospital pendant 3,5 ans<br>Il était aimable, beaucoup d'amis, sortait au théâtre... | <b>5/ 6 /7 pts</b>   |
| <b>Degré 4</b><br>5) Qu'ont fait les lecteurs du Times<br><br>6) pourquoi cette lettre est-elle publiée dans The Times ? | <b>Comprend le détail des informations et peut les synthétiser.<br/>Identifie et comprend le point de vue de l'auteur.</b> | Dons d'argent pour lui assurer une vie heureuse<br><br>Pour informer les lecteurs du Times de la mort de Merrick ,les remercier de leurs dons et indiquer que le reliquat d'argent ira au London Hospital  | <b>8 / 9 /10 pts</b> |

*The Last Letter*

*The Times*, April 16th, 1890

Dear Sir,

Three and a half years ago I wrote to you about a man called Joseph Merrick. This man was called the 'Elephant Man' because he was born with a very ugly body. Merrick was not ill, but he could not work, and he had no money.

The readers of *The Times* felt sorry for him, and they gave me a lot of money for Merrick. Because of this money, we could give Merrick a home in the London Hospital. It was his first good home, and for three and a half years he lived here happily. The doctors and nurses of the hospital helped him, and many important people visited him. He read many books, he went to the theatre, and in the summer he stayed in the country for six weeks. Because of your readers' money, we could give him a happy life.

Last night Joseph Merrick died quietly in his bed. He was a man with a very ugly body, but he was a good, kind man, and he had a lot of friends. We liked to talk to him, and we are all very sorry because he is dead. A lot of people are going to remember him for a long time.

There is some money left, so I am going to give it to the hospital. Thank you, sir, for your help.

Yours faithfully,  
F.C. Carr Gomm  
Chairman of the London Hospital

Lexique :

Tool box : Boîte à outils

ugly : affreux, laid