



FLVS student Aubrey Quintanilla is more than just your regular student – she’s also a springboard diver and all-star volunteer! Aubrey started swimming when she was 10 years old. She was already involved in gymnastics when she saw the opportunity to mix **the two together** – it seemed nothing short of thrilling! At age 11, she started in regionals...and the rest is history!

Aubrey has been involved in a competition just about every two weeks of the year since then. Her practice schedule is just as intense – training five days a week for two hours a day (or four hours a day when she’s not in school).

She recently attended the Ivis Invitational at Miami University and placed first in her age group for springboard diving. Aubrey said she was so intimidated, but that obviously didn’t stop her from showing them her best.

The Quintanilla family heard about FLVS through one of Aubrey’s diving friends who had just gone to the Worlds in Russia at age 14. Aubrey decided to give FLVS a try in 6th grade and took half of her courses online. She had so much success that she went full-time the following year. “I can work my school around life; not my life around school,” she said. “FLVS has no drama and I can still interact with people and work freely.”

One of her favourite classes was Creative Photography, where she spent 2-3 hours taking pictures of her dog. She thought it was very exciting that she got to take selfies for her final project and learned how to judge pictures.

When Aubrey isn’t diving or learning, she volunteers and completed 75 hours this past year at her sister’s school. She received the Silver Presidential Volunteer Service Award signed by President Obama. “My life is booked to the second,” she added. We can see that, Aubrey, and wish you the best of luck at your competitions and in your school work!

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(Adapted)

**I- COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (12 marks) :**

**1) Match the following headings with their appropriate paragraphs (4 marks) :  
(There is one extra heading)**

Headings	Paragraphs / Answer
a- Enjoying life then learning	1 -----
b- Doing optional work	2 -----
c- So many activities on the calendar	3 -----
d- Outstanding athlete	4 -----
e- Enjoying life while learning	

**2) Justify the following False statements with details from the text (3 marks) :**

**a-** Aubrey cannot prepare for her competitions because she has to go to school.  
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**b-** Aubrey knew about the virtual school from her family.  
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**c-** With online schooling, Aubrey is more committed to learning.  
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**3) Tick the appropriate option for the following expressions : (2 marks) :**

**A-** FLVS has no drama (pg 3) :

**a-** FLVS has no drama courses / **b-** FLVS has no theatres / **c-** she has no worries with FLVS

**B-** My life is booked to the second (4) :

**a-** my life is written in a book / **b-** my life is very busy / **c-** my career is recorded

**4) What does the underlined expression refer to in the text (1 mark) :**

the two together (pg 1) refers to : .....

**5) Find a word in the text meaning nearly the same as (1 mark) :**

Famous, remarkable (pg 1) : .....

**6) Give a personal justified answer to the following question (1 mark) :**

Do you agree with the idea of learning online and practising different activities at the same time? Why or Why not? I (dis)agree .....  
because .....

## II- LANGUAGE (6 marks)

Name :.....  
4<sup>th</sup> Form

1) Fill in the blanks with 06 words from the box to get a coherent paragraph (3 marks) :

handle – down – through – bully – too – choice – devotion – after

Looking back to that time, which was about 11 years ago, my biggest mistake was not bringing anyone into my world. I was **1-** ..... proud and embarrassed to get help. I would rather not face the fact that I needed help because in my mind, that would mean that the **2-** ..... won. It would also mean that I was weak. Bullying someone is a weak **3-** ..... . The only reason they come **4-** ..... you is because they think you won't do anything about it. You can put it like this, "Somebody who is weak and trying to build their self-esteem up has chosen to do that by putting me **5-** ..... . The only reason they are doing that is because I am nice and I haven't done anything about it yet. Well I am through putting up with this. I have basic human rights that they are violating to feel better and that it is just not okay. How do I **6-** ..... this the right way? I don't want the pain cycle to continue and become someone I don't want to be. I will close by saying this – I am okay! I am not just surviving. I am enjoying my life.

2) Put the bracketed words in the right Form and / or Tense (3 marks) :

Gone are the days when people used to spend all their lives in the same city and tour was a word for rich people only. Now, with all the technological **1- (advance)**, ..... cheaper flight, and ever increasing awareness towards other states and countries, the world has become a smaller place. Having travelled since childhood, I can definitely say that the tourism industry is changing fast and this **2- (attract)** ..... a lot more travelers each year. Many people want to get refreshed quite often due to their **3-(increase)** ..... workload and they have easy access to information they want. **4-(This)** ..... are the two main reasons people travel more frequently than ever before. It is evident that busier workdays and hectic lifestyle can easily drain one out. People **5-(start)** ..... to work more and earn more as compared to earlier days. Moreover, with the wave of information that internet has brought, everyone is **6-(good)** ..... informed about the world outside their office or home. These things have acted as precursors to the increase in the number of people who opt travelling as a holiday get away.

**III- WRITING (12 marks) :**

**1) Use the following information to write a paragraph about the following film (4 marks) :**



**Allied** / 2016 World War II romantic thriller film / release in the United States, November 23, 2016 by Paramount Pictures.

**Director :** Robert Zemeckis / **Writer :** Steven Knight

**Stars :** Brad Pitt and Marion Cotillard

**Plot :** Intelligence officer and resistance fighter, respectively, who fall in love during a mission to kill a German official.

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**2) Topic (8 marks) :**

A friend of yours is going on holiday soon and has asked you to recommend a destination. Write a letter to your friend and recommend a good place for a holiday that you have visited before. Say where you went, where you stayed, what you can do there and what the food was like.

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