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Part One: (14 pts)

Read the following text carefully, and then do the following activities:

A study shows that kids are doing more homework than ever. Today, kids find that the amount of homework they get keeps them from playing sports, taking music lessons or just having fun after school. A recent study by the University of Michigan reports that over the past 16 years, the amount of time the average 3 to 11-year-old kid spends on homework has increased by 50%. More and more parents are protesting against an overabundance of at-home assignments.

"The question is whether schools are holding our children captives with homework", said Ken Kiewra, professor of educational psychology. He realized one day last year that his sixth-grade son had given up music lessons, the soccer team and his favorite hobby because he was loaded with homework. "I'm home reading the paper and relaxing and this kid who left in the morning before I did is doing two to three hours of work", remembered Kiewra.

In response, Kiewra wrote an article for the Lincoln newspaper. Although parents responded favorably to his article, the school refused to change their homework policies. Kiewra explained that from the school's point of view, "'Research confirms that doing homework is better than not doing homework". He added that pressure for students to perform well on standardized tests has led schools to pile on at-home assignments. All work and no play can make dull kids. "Kids need to play outside and exercise or take art or music classes if they want to", said Ken Kiewra. "At the very least, they need fresh air".

By Melissa Checker, React Magazine, April 2000

A) <u>COMPREHENSION</u>:(7pts) <u>LEPRIVÉE</u>

1) Read the text then circle the right ending for each sentence: (1pt)

This document is: a. an interview b. a short story c. an article

The theme is: a. kids' hobbies b. kids and homework c. relations between parents and children.

2) Are these statements True or False? Correct the false ones: (2pt)

- a. American children spend less time on their homework than in the past.
- **b.** Ken Kiewra realized that his son had no longer time to relax.
- c. Parents agreed with Ken's point of view.
- **d.** The school accepted the parents' opinion on homework.
- 3) Answer these questions according to the text: (3pt)
 - a. Do kids have fun after school? Justify?
 - **b.** How are parents reacting to their children's large amount of homework?
 - **c.** Why didn't the school accept to change their homework system?
 - **d.** What may happen if kids don't play?

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B/TEXT EXPLORATION: (7pts)

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