^{1p} 5 Which of the following letters presents the same argument as Steve McMahon uses in his letter?

A Letters defending private schools or even portraying them as agents for social mobility must surely be part of the new trend for fake news? The headmistress of James Allen's Girls' School gives us a heartrending account of the struggles of her mother sending her off to private education on the back of her work in the school kitchen. She probably has few pupils in her school with mothers currently in such employment. Finding the upwards sum of an extra £10k a year from the wages of a kitchen help would be laughable.

Joan Errington,

East Grinstead, West Sussex

B Promoting social mobility through public schools being seen as positive is in itself problematic. In an unequal society someone climbing the social ladder sends someone down. Greater social equality, without rank being set by those already privileged, would enable all people being respected for their abilities and contribution to society.

Roy Grimwood,

Market Drayton, Shropshire

c When I attended James Allen's Girls' School (Jags) in the 1950s at least half the pupils post-11 were paid for by the local authority. The remaining half had to pay fees. There was some genuine social mobility with many girls going on to successful careers. But nowadays Jags is a part of the very small but extremely powerful private sector in this country. It is naive to think that schools that are so richly resourced and as selective as Jags enhance social mobility.

Liz Armstrong,

Hadfield, Derbyshire

Tekst 4 Cheers and jeers for the end of Crain's comments section

"The editors of *Crain's Chicago Business* are pulling the plug on our website's comments section." (eerste zin)

^{2p} 6 Geef van de volgende beweringen aan of ze genoemd worden door *Crain's Chicago Business* als reden om dit te doen.

Noteer 'wel' of 'niet' achter elk nummer op het antwoordblad.

- 1 Ze hebben te weinig personeel om de commentaren goed te beheren.
- 2 Ze lijden reputatieschade door de negatieve commentaren.
- 3 Ze vrezen dat de site te gemakkelijk gehackt kan worden.
- 4 Ze willen minder gebruik gaan maken van sociale media.

Drie personen geven een reactie op de mededeling van *Crain's Chicago Business*:

- 1 Scott S.
- 2 Brian White
- 3 Mary Brigid O'Toole
- ^{2p} 7 Geef van elke persoon aan welke bewering bij hem of haar past.
 Noteer de letter van de bewering achter het nummer op het antwoordblad.
 Let op: er blijven twee beweringen over.
 - a *Crain's Chicago Business* has shifted responsibility without addressing the problem.
 - b *Crain's Chicago Business* is throwing away something that is quite valuable.
 - c Life is easier when its less pleasant elements are ignored.
 - d Verbal abuse, though sometimes very unpleasant, is essentially harmless.
 - e When you are losing grip on the situation it is advisable to hand over control to experts.

Tekst 5 On Lebanon's coast, a garbage dump grows

- 1p 8 How is the topic of Lebanon's garbage problem introduced in paragraph 1?
 - A by blaming the government for the state of affairs
 - **B** by comparing the past with the present situation
 - **c** by presenting the writers' viewpoint on the matter
 - **D** by stressing how it is harming the global environment
- ^{1p} 9 Geef van de onderstaande mogelijke gevolgen van de locatie van de vuilnisbelt aan of ze worden genoemd in alinea 2 en/of 3.
 Noteer 'wel' of 'niet' achter elk nummer op het antwoordblad.
 - 1 De aantrekkelijkheid van Beiroet voor toeristen wordt aangetast.
 - 2 Vogels worden ziek omdat ze daar ongezonde etensresten vinden.

"The garbage problem has long been a symbol of a failure of Lebanese politics" (paragraph 5)

- ^{1p} **10** What role did the civil war play with reference to this problem?
 - A It caused an unexpected growth in the Lebanese population.
 - **B** It led to the improvement of the Lebanese infrastructure.
 - c It motivated people to try and make the world a better place.
 - **D** It resulted in a political climate that is still rather dysfunctional.