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CAP BEP

I) Répondez par "right" ou "wrong" : justifiez votre réponse en anglais.

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| 2  | 1 | 6) Today, nobody is jealous of her success.                              |
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II) Répondez aux questions suivantes en anglais.

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| 2 | 2 | 1) Why would Mariah Carey's story make a good Hollywood film ? |
| 1 | 1 | 2) Who is Tommy Mottola ?                                      |
| 1 | 1 | 3) What is "Vision of Love" ?                                  |
| 1 | 1 | 4) Why did people criticize Mariah's marriage ?                |
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III) Posez la question, en anglais, portant sur les mots soulignés. (BEP seulement)

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IV) Rédaction

Répondez, en anglais, à la question suivante. (dix lignes environ)

Would you like to be a star ? (actor, singer, football player, etc...).

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