

BEPC
SESSION 2020
ZONE : I

Coefficient : 1
Durée : 2 h

LANGUE VIVANTE 1 : ANGLAIS

*Cette épreuve comporte deux (02) pages numérotées 1/2 et 2/2.
Le candidat est libre de commencer par la composante de son choix.
Cependant, il devra numéroter ses réponses conformément à la numérotation du sujet.*

PART ONE

READING COMPREHENSION (8 pts)

Read the text below and do all the activities that follow it.

SMOKING IS A SERIOUS ISSUE

Many smokers ignore the warning about the dangers of smoking, although there is a national campaign against the habit. The United Nations has set aside a day to be observed against the killer habit. The story is told of a young man who became addicted to smoking. In no time, he developed smoke-related diseases and died miserably, leaving behind his wife and children in poverty. Research shows that the smoker is far more likely to suffer if he does not die of diseases like lung cancer and heart failure, than a non-smoker.

It is generally known that smoking during pregnancy is undesirable, isn't it? Women who smoke produce underweight babies. They also have stillborn babies or lose them after birth.

What is more annoying about smoking is the risk to passive smokers. Non-smokers breathing in smoke from other people's cigarettes, pipes and cigars stand the risk of contracting the diseases that harm the smokers.

If smokers knew how non-smokers felt about them, they would give up smoking. The smoker is regarded by many as someone who does not consider the welfare of others but their own interest in smoking, no matter where they are.

Adapted from Golden English, by OKYERE B. Alexander p.411.

Note: *stillborn: mort-né*

COMPREHENSION CHECK

A Vocabulary check

Find in the text the words or expressions whose synonyms or meanings are in the list below. Write your answers like in the example.

Example: 1 – smokers

- 1- problem (title)
- 2- notice, alert (L. 1)
- 3- reserved, chosen (L. 2)
- 4- dependent on (L. 3)
- 5- poor conditions (L. 5)
- 6- the condition of a woman waiting for a baby (L. 7)
- 7- give birth to (L. 8)
- 8- stop (L. 12)
- 9- well-being (L. 13)

B True/False statements

Decide whether the following statements are true or false according to the text. Write (T) for true and (F) for false. Then, indicate the lines of the text to justify your answers. Write your answers like in the example

Example: 1. = F (L. 1)

- 1- Lots of smokers read the warning about smoking very carefully.
- 2- The United Nations has reserved a day against smoking.
- 3- The young man could not stop smoking.
- 4- The cause of the young man's death was unknown
- 5- The young man left his wife and children a fortune.
- 6- Non-smokers living with smokers contract the same diseases.
- 7- Smoking is dangerous for pregnant women and their babies.
- 8- Smokers keep smoking because they don't care about what people think of them.
- 9- A lot of people think that smokers don't consider the well-being of others.

PART TWO

LANGUAGE IN USE (6 points)

Task 1

The statements in Column A are from a dialogue between a doctor and a young smoker. Match them with their appropriate endings in Column B. One option in Column B is not concerned. Write your answers like in the example.

Example: 1. You know smoking is bad for health, c. don't you?

COLUMN A	COLUMN B
1. You know smoking is bad for health,	a. don't they?
2. You have a very bad cough,	b. will you?
3. Your parents don't know you smoke,	c. don't you?
4. Dr, you won't tell my parents,	d. haven't you?/don't you?
	e. do they?

Task 2

In the following dialogue, Dr Mensah is talking with a patient smoker. Choose the correct verb forms in brackets so that make the dialogue meaningful. Write your answers like in the example.

Example: 4. = you do.

Dr: If you follow my advice, I'm sure you 1. (*would/will/would've*) you'll stop smoking.

Smoker: OK, Doctor. But if you 2. (*wrote/had written/write*) it down, I won't forget it.

Dr: Sure, I'll do that. But tell me, if I 3. (*give you/gave you/had given you*)/ this new packet of cigarettes, would you keep it for me till we meet next week?

Smoker: I'll try if 4. (*you did/you do/you'll do*.)

PART THREE

WRITING (6 points)

TOPIC: (Not more than 12 lines)

For the National Non-smoking Day, your English teacher asked you to prepare a dialogue to be role-played by the English club in the City Hall. Begin your dialogue like this:

A: *Brother, you know smoking is very bad for you health, don't you?*

B: *I know, but I've been smoking for five years and it isn't easy to stop.*

A: *I think you should ...*