

Épreuve d'Anglais – Probatoire A₄ – 2016

Section A : GRAMMAR

A/ Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence. Write in the space provided. You may make other changes you find necessary

- 1 The training course takes three years. It's a
- 2 Without his father's help, he wouldn't have got the job. If
- 3 Don't eat uncooked food. Avoid
- 4 Although we had a map we go lost. Despite
- 5 Ngando hasn't got as much experience as Ndebi. Ndebi

B/ Match up the two halves of each sentence in column A and B below. Write in the space provided.

COLUMN A

1. It's taken me a year to save up
2. They will pay
3. You'll never know how very much I longed
4. He wasn't very handsome, but he made up
5. His painting sell

COLUMN B

- a. for letting him escape.
- b. for it in enthusiasm and charm.
- c. for 5000F CFA each.
- d. for my nike
- e. for us to be friends.

Answers

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5

Section B : VOCABULARY

A/ Complete the following sentences with appropriate words or expressions from the brackets

- 1 What dress are you going to to the party? (wear, get dressed, try on, put)
- 2 What time does the 545 train from Ngaoundere to Yaounde.(reach, get, come, arrive)
- 3 You can look up the number in the phone's (index, dictionary, directory, register)
- 4 Janet has a very good job. I'm sure she over five hundred thousand francs. (gains, earns, receives, wins)
- 5 Manage your time sensibly. Don't it. (spend, pass, lose, waste).

B/ Write the appropriate form the word in brackets in space provided

- 1 of the English club is opened to everybody. (member)
- 2 The Internet can people communicate with those who are thousands of kilometers away(able)
- 3 The manager asked his secretary to the data.(computer)
- 4 Nina set their house on fire while playing with fire.(accident)
- 5 One of the of Cameroon is the Buea Mountain.(attract)

C/ Match a word in column A with a word in column B to form compound words. Write in the space provided. Use each item only once.

COLUMN A

1. Mouse
2. Travel
3. Hair
4. Ash
5. Tooth

COLUMN B

- a. brush
- b. ache
- c. tray
- d. pad
- e. agency

Answers

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| 1 | |
| 2 | |
| 3 | |
| 4 | |
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Section C : READING COMPREHENSION

Dog attacks increasing

Read the passage below and answer the questions that follow it. Use complete sentences and as far as possible, your own words.

Several years ago, foreign dog breeds were reserved for the homes of foreigners and well-to-do Cameroonian families. Such houses whose gates and fences carried the sign : "Beware of wild dogs!" could only betray the ferocity of the dogs by the terrifying sounds of their barks-echoing from behind walls.

Today, the rush by more households to possess German shepherds, pet-bulls, Rotheilers and hounds of all size and shapes among others, has become trendy. However, some owners know little about caring for such animals, hence the growing number of accidents recorded. The use of dogs by security companies is not also helping matters. In the economic capital city, Douala, two Rottweilers went on rampage at a secondary road in the Bonaberi neighborhood early on October 11, 2013 and mauled a jogging man to death. Thanks to bullets from a police patrol squad, the lives of the dog were terminated. The incident which is still beyond comprehension to many has provoked commentaries and similar stories in most nooks and crannies as it spreads.

A week before the Douala incident, along the Obili-Biyem-assi round about stretch of the road in Yaounde, a lady waiting for taxi by the roadside had part of her chest bitten off by a hound. Its head was sticking out of a passing cage. Containing at least ten hound. Its head was sticking out of a passing cage. Containing at least ten hounds belonging to a well-known security company.

Another lady Sidonie Fonly had her eyes to cry sometimes in 2011 when she returned to her Bastos neighborhood home in Yaounde from the market only to find her German licking up the last traces of blood of something. She later found out it was her little baby she had left sleeping in the cot. Sidonie had not respected the dog's feeding time, prompting the latter to walk around and into the house, looking for something to eat. Finding the baby awake in the cot, the dog did not hesitate to do what the woman, who had spent years "looking" for a baby, least expected.

Still in 2011, precisely on January 12, a certain Amougou had his back leg bitten of by his own dog, in his own home in the Messassi neighborhood of Yaounde. The returned home late a night, sharing few bottles of drinks with friend, the dog barked ferociously, but he kept on advancing, saying it was after all his dog. The dog attacked this master mercilessly, inflicting serious injuries

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Questions

- 1 What, according to the passage, accounts for the numerous accidents people have with dogs nowadays? ..
- 2 What made it possible for the dog to bite the lady along the Obili Biyem-assi roundabout stretch of road in Yaounde?
- 3 Why is the attack on the man in Bonaberi "beyond comprehension to many"
- 4 Would you consider what happen to Sidonie F. as an accident? Justify your answer.

5 Tick(✓) the letter that corresponds to the correct answer.

The intention of the author of this text is to

a. criticise

b. educate

c. inform

d. entertain

Justify your answer

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Section D : ESSAY

Write an essay of between 200-220 words on ONE of the following topics

- 1 How is your life today different from that of the people of your parent's or grandparents' generation ?
- 2 A ghostly motor accident took place in your street yesterday. Recount the incident to someone who wants to know exactly what happened. Make sure you give the immediate effects of the accident on the victims, the driver, the survivors and those who live around the place where the accident took place.
- 3 You have recently taken up a new sport or pastime. Write a letter to a friend describing the activity and saying why it would be a good thing for him or her to take it up as well. Your name is Dinga ngo. You are in GBHs Makak, P.O. Box 20000. Your friend is Ed Hull.