

Épreuve d'Anglais – Probatoire C – 2018

SECTION A : GRAMMAR

Complete each blank with the correct word chosen from the ones in the brackets.

- 1 Cameroon cannot entirely depend crude oil for her development. (in , on , for)
- 2 I will send you a present when Imy salary. (collect, use, give)
- 3 Most young people dislike their national languages nowadays. (to speak, speaking , speak)
- 4 If I a bird, I would fly to the village at once. (was , were , am)
- 5 Mathematics is my subject at school. (bad , worse , worst)

Complete each of the sentences below with the correct form of the item in the brackets.

- 1 Elephants are in the danger of because of poachers. (to disappear)
- 2 It is commonly said that the older one gets, the one becomes. (wise)
- 3 We were Essomba's phone number by his mother. (to give)
- 4 When we went to the village last week, we spent the whole Saturday without (to eat)
- 5 I would have gone to Italy if I my examination. (pass)

SECTION B : VOCABULARY

Match each of the items in column A with one in columns B so as to form a meaningful phrase. Write your answer in the space provided.

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| 1. Central | a. control | 1 | |
| 2. Electricity | b. light | 2 | |
| 3. Remote | c. bill | 3 | |
| 4. Traffic | d. flew | 4 | |
| 5. Bird | e. unit | 5 | |

Complete each sentences below with a correct word of your own.

- 1 Most of the people who want to lose weight go on
- 2 Certain chemicals have been banned in Cameroon because of their effect on their environment.
- 3 The police have assured the public that the escapee will be caught soon.
- 4 Farming in our country is largely based on the use of methods.
- 5 Breakfast, and supper are the three basic meals in a day.

SECTION C : COMPREHENSION

Read the following passage carefully and answer all the questions on it. Use correct English sentences, and as far as possible , your own words.

NATURAL COLOUR

Nowadays, most people have failed in one vital aspect of their lives in that they have mistaken their body colour for beauty . People , especially women think that to look beautiful means extinguishing the natural black colour. This has made them indulge in the usage of sophisticated cosmetics. These users should only reflect a little and

ponder over the effects these products have on their bodies.

Cosmetics remove the natural black pigment in the body. This black pigment is resistant to adverse condition and gives strength to the flesh, thus if one of these users is operated upon or sustains an injury, it would be difficult to stitch the spot or the wound to heal since the pigment is destroyed. The product also leads to the gradual deformation of the various parts of the body so that the individual soon develops fallen jaws, twisted face, and dark areas around the eyes. This is a gradual process, the person finally realizes that it is too late to take precautions.

In our African society, this problem can be solved by educating the population about the various effects. The greater part of the educated population are those promoting the usage of these products. At these points, I begin to wonder what will become of the illiterate population who strongly believe in "cream" as they call it.

Should we therefore close down our cosmetic industries? The answer is no because the income got from this economic activity is not only beneficial to the producers, but also to the whole country.

The only possibility solution to this problem will be for the government to introduce new legislation concerning the producers, and the quality and quantity of cosmetics produced. The government should also educate the population on the effects to these products. Self-education and self-discipline will also be vital tool in solving this problem.

Culled from "The voice of CPC"

Questions :

- 1 Why does the author say that people have mistaken their body colour for beauty?
- 2 Give two disadvantages of using cosmetics as mentioned about in the text.
- 3 Give two advantages of the black pigment to our body.
- 4 What body defects does a person who uses "cream" have? Give any two.
- 5 What disadvantages are there in closing down cosmetic industries?

SECTION D : ESSAY

Write an essay between 200 to 250 words on any one of the following topics.

- 1 The students are not responsible for their failure in examinations. How far do you agree with this view?
- 2 Write an article in Cameroon Tribune (a newspaper) on the topic "The importance of English for tomorrow's job". Your name is Njolo.
- 3 Your pen-friend in France would like to visit Cameroon, but he is hesitating because of the Boko Haram threat. Write a letter to reassure him that he should not be worried as the government has taken all the measures to ensure security in the whole country, the far North included. Also advise him on the best places to visit, how to get there, what food he can eat there and what souvenirs he can buy. Your name is Boubou, your Post Office Box number is 214 and it is found in Galim in Cameroon. Your friend's name is Felix. His Post Office Box number is 2547654 in Paris, France.