### **MINESEC**

## BACCALAUREAT A -SESSION 2008

## OFFICE DU BACCALAUREAT

Time: 3h Coef.: 3

# Anglais

		rammar (10 marks)
1.	Comple	lete the following sentences by putting the items in the brackets in their correct
J	orms.	(3 marks)
	a)	It's high time you (to buy) your own calculator.
	b)	This book is worth (to read). You could borrow it for
		two weeks.
	c)	I wish I (to come) with you to church yesterday.
	d)	I've spent (much) time with you today than I usually do.
		Your claim. (to be) examined right now by the
		director. Hold on for a minute.
2. (	Compl	ete the sentences with the most appropriate words chosen from the brackets. (2.5 marks)
	a)	Bola is the silliest boy I'vemet. (always, never, ever)
	b)	He promised he would give me some money, but he hasn't
		(again, yet, still)
	c)	difficult a test is, the better. (The more, More, The most)
	d)	Never have I seena clever woman. (so, that, such)
	e)	My father promised to send me some money as soon as he
		Mokolo. (reaches, will reach, went for)
3. W	Vrite t	he word in which the underlined letters are pronounced differently. (2,5 marks)
		Word, corn, sword, sort, storm.
	b)	Blow, throw, grow, cow, snow.
	c)	Cloud, found, shout, group, thousand.
	d)	<u>Th</u> is, <u>th</u> ought, <u>th</u> ese, <u>th</u> ough, <u>th</u> emselves.
	e)	Niece, ties, field, thief, siege.

### Section B: Vocabulary (10 marks)

- 1. Complete the following sentences with appropriate prepositions. (5 marks)
  - a) Last year, Jack was nearly convicted......murder. He was instead charged.......theft. The other cases.....him were dismissed.
  - b) The fruits I like most are those that I can transform.....juice.
  - c) Poaching is a serious threat to animals in Cameroon; if nothing is done, some species will die......
- 2. Build compound words by matching the words in column A to those in column B. write in the spaces provided. (5 marks)

Column A	Column B	Your answer
killer	penalty	
cross	handed	·
love	disease	
family	discrimination	
gender	tongue	
mother	affair	
phone	examination	
growth	bill	
death	rate	
red	planning	

#### Section C: Reading comprehension (10 marks)

Read the following passage and answer the questions below it, using your own words as far as you can.

The tall, good-looking young man with broad shoulders stood ramrod straight, proudly holding a small boy who sat relaxed and trusting in his father's arms. Both had warm brown eyes and white grins that arrested attention and sent a smile racing across my face. Kelly and little Kelly. These were the men in my life and I loved them deeply.

"Kelly here." The voice was etched in stress.

"Hi, honey, how's your day going?" I tried to sound relaxing.

"I've been in meetings all morning, and I have another one scheduled in just a few minutes, so I don't have long to talk. What's up?"

"I just got back from an appointment with Dr. Ruth. I have some good news and some bad news." I hoped the humour would soften the unexpected.

"Give me the good news. I need to hear some good news today."

I laughed nervously. "You're not sterile." Silence rose out of the phone toward me like thick smoke. Then I heard a taut exhale. "Are you serious? You're kidding, right? This is probably the worst time for us to have a new baby." The irritation in his voice was unmistakable. "I can't believe it. How could this have happened? Suddenly the smile I'd had all morning vanished. Kelly lowered his voice, but there was no warmth in it. "Pat, I don't want another baby. Listen, I'll support your decision either way, but I want you to know I don't want this baby." My mind raced on. He decided just like that ...: "I don't want that baby." My knees folded beneath me and I slumped down on the couch. He said it so easily! "I'll make appointment with Dr. Poppy," I said in an irritated voice. Dr. Ruth being a lady, I couldn't see her this time. "That's a very good idea," he answered too quickly. I felt betrayed. Why did he react the way he did? Couldn't he at least be curious about my own dreams? Why didn't he ask, "How do you feel about this? What do you want, Pat?" My shock at his reaction puzzled me. Two days later I drove downtown to Dr. Poppy's gynaecology clinic. "Well, Pat, it's been a long time since I last saw you," Dr. Poppy said cheerfully before closing the door behind him. "So, Pat how have you been?" "Pretty good." I wanted to sound normal. "I'm here because I'm pregnant, and I'm concerned about possible complications, considering my age and my medical background." "I've managed patients with kidney transplants through successful pregnancies, and I feel confident we can do the same for you." "Dr. Poppy, my marriage is pretty shaky. What about the possibility of an abortion?" "Pat! Pat! You know I'm a Christian and I can't do that. I advise you to keep your baby. Don't worry; we'll take good care of the pregnancy. Everything will be alright." "Dr. Poppy, you don't understand. If I keep this baby, my marriage will crumble." "Well, in that case, look for some other doctor. I'm afraid I can't help you." (Patricia A. Bigliardi, Beyond the hidden pain of abortion, adapted.) Questions: 1) Who are the two main characters of the passage? (1 mark) 2) Was the news good or bad for Kelly? How do you know? (1 mark) ..... ..... 3) Why did Pat feel betrayed? (2 marks) ..... .....

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	What was Dr Poppy's reaction? Why? (2 marks)
6)	Do you think Pat was right to make such a proposal to Dr Poppy? Justify your answer. (2 marks)
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	n D: Composition (10 marks) a composition of about 250-300 words on any ONE of the following topics.
1)	Abortions: causes and drawbacks.
,	Write a persuasive article for your school Magazine in which you suggest changes in
2)	the education system of your country. Your school Magazine is Students' Voice and
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