

AOÛT 2012

ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS

**SECTION A: GRAMMAR (10 marks)**

I. Put the verbs in brackets in their correct tenses. Write the answers in the spaces provided. (5 marks)

- 1- Had it not been for the intervention of forces of law and order the demonstrator..... people from going to work. (to prevent)
- 2- When we arrived at Mr Zambo's, his wife told us that he..... for Buea an hour before. (for leave)
- 3- Our Geography teacher taught us that the moon ..... round the earth. (to revolve)
- 4- When I went to my village, I saw many changes: for example, many schools..... (to build)
- 5- John went to the USA this morning, by this time tomorrow, he ..... Washington. CD (to arrive)

II. Choose the correct word or expression to fill in the blank spaces. (5 marks)

- 1- The starter of the car is spoilt, there is ..... we can do, we'd better go on foot (anything, something, nothing)
- 2- Parents should take an active part in children's education, ..... should teachers. (so, neither, nor)
- 3- The player..... leg was broken was taken to hospital. (Which, whose, whom).
- 4- Many people in our cities..... walking to work because of poverty. (are used to, used to, used)
- 5- I know everyone here, let me..... the introductions. (Made, to make, make)

**SECTION B VOCABULARY (10 marks)**

A. Complete the following sentences with a suitable word or expression such that each sentence makes sense. (5 marks)

- 1- There are two kinds of fertilizers: organic fertilizers from living matters and minerals or ..... fertilizers from lifeless substances (chemical,

- composed, compost)
- 2- Thanks to progress in telecommunications, it is now possible to link one computer in Cameroun with another in Canada through the (wireless, internet, modem).
  - 3- Three babies out of twenty die each year in some parts of Africa..... has become rife in our society (child death, children death, infant mortality).
  - 4- If it rains tomorrow, the meeting will surely be to..... a later date. (put off, put on, put out)
  - 5- Etoube was very strong; his ..... was such that no villager could beat him. (force, strength, fear)

**B Transform the underlined words in the following sentences as indicated. Write your answer in the space provided. (5marks).**

- 1- Despite all that I told him, he was still not convinced. (From a noun)
- 2- Our team is quite formidable and strong. (From a noun)
- 3- The child jumped from a height of seven meters and sustained an injury. (from an adjective) .....
- 4- Of the two answers, Peter's was the better one. (Give the opposite)

**SECTION: COMPREHENSION (10 MARKS)**

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions below it in complete and correct English sentences. Use your own words as far as possible.

**Dealing with oil pollution**

A major problem in the world today is oil pollution on the oceans. When a big oil spill occurs at the sea; the immediate problem is to treat it quickly before it spreads and drifts far. Slicks are attacked chemically by spraying them with detergent chemicals. The effect is to, emulsify the oil, that is, to break it up into tiny bubbles. These bubbles are then attacked by bacteria which are always present in the sea, and the oil is literally digested.

Such huge quantities of detergent are required for large oil slicks that the spraying ship sometimes runs out of detergent before the whole slick has been treated. While any supply of the detergent is being reduced, without doubt, the already high costs of the man oeuvre are increased.

A new detergent called "SYNPERONIC OSD20" claims to be a great improvement on earlier kinds. It is said to be twelve times as effective as its predecessor. It is economical, too, say the manufacturers. Although it is more expensive per liter than the old detergent its greater effectiveness makes it much cheaper in terms of the cost of treating a given area of oily water.

This may do little to allay the fears of the conservationists. They say detergents cause more damage to plants and animals than oil does. While they agree that the process speeds up the dispersal of the oil, they argue that bacteria would eventually do the same thing without the

hazards introduced by detergents. Perhaps the final claim for this new product will satisfy the conservationists. Laboratory tests have pronounced it safe to marine animals.

### **QUESTIONS**

- 1- **Why** is oil pollution a problem in oceans? ..... (2marks)
- 2- How do people prevent a problem big oil spills from causing much damage? ..... (2marks)
- Explain how detergents speed up dispersal of the oil ..... (2marks)
- 3- According to the manufacturers, how is SYNPERONIC OSD20 an improvement of oil slicks? ..... (1marks)
- 4- Why do conservationists believe that detergents are not essential in the treatment of oil slicks? ..... (2marks)

### **SECTION D: ESSAY (10 MARKS)**

**Write an essay of between 200 and 250 words on any ONE of the following topics**

- 1) Modern technological developments have done more harm than good. Do you agree?
- 2) Imagine that you the minister of environment write a speech that you will deliver on what people should do to, protect our environment.
- 3) The problem of unemployment in my country. You may want to write about causes, effect, and possible solutions.
- 4) Why I will like to become a telecommunication engineer.

## COMPREHENSION DE TEXTE

La chasse est en Afrique un sport agréable parce que le gibier abonde, mais dangereux, parce qu'on se laisse facilement entraîner au-delà de l'instant raisonnable auquel on doit s'arrêter...

Il y'a quelques années, un groupe de voyageurs descendit un matin pour chasser sur la rive gauche très giboyeuse entre Tombouctou et Bourem. Il était accompagné d'un chasseur giboyeuse entre Tombouctou et Bourem. Il était accompagné d'un chasseur du pays. Ils se prédirent. Le chasseur revient seul, guidé par les coups de fusil que, des chalands, titaieil tppur servir de signa de ralliement aux deux absents.

Il raconta que son compagnon avait refusé de le suivre pour rentrer, et qu'ils s'étaient séparés pour s'en aller chacun dans sa direction qu'il croyait la meilleure. Au bout de trois des Touaregs ramenèrent le cadavre du malheureux voyageur avec son fusil. Il était mort de soif à plus de trente - cinq kilomètres des bords du fleuve.

### QUESTIONS

Quels sont les risques de chasse en Afrique

Pourquoi l'un des voyageurs choisit-il de chasser plutôt sur la rive gauche ?

Quel malheur lui arrivera-t-il ?

Ce voyageur était-il prudent? Justifiez votre réponse?

Que signifie «très giboyeuse» ?

Après combien de temps avait - on ramené le corps du voyageur perdu.

### VOCABULAIRE

Vous transformerez chacune des phrases suivantes sur le modèle:

On organise le secours

L'organisation du secours

1) Le train arrive \_\_\_\_\_

2) L'avion atterrit \_\_\_\_\_

3) Les spectateurs sortent \_\_\_\_\_

4) On ferme le magasin \_\_\_\_\_

5) Le chat fuit \_\_\_\_\_

6) On dévalue la monnaie \_\_\_\_\_

## GRAMMAIRE

Complétez les phrases suivantes à l'aide de la conjonction de subordination qui convient :

Au cas où tellement que, dès que, pour que, parce que.

Il est fatigué \_\_\_\_\_ il a trop travaillé

Bébé pleure \_\_\_\_\_ maman lui donne le lait

Le chasseur rentre \_\_\_\_\_ la nuit tombe

Le riait \_\_\_\_\_ j'ai dû sortir de la salle

Je voudrais \_\_\_\_\_ tu viennes

\_\_\_\_\_ j'entendrais parler de quelque chose, je t'en informerais.

Rédaction

Traiter le sujet ci-dessous en 205 à 300 mots)

Vous avez poursuivi un voleur dans votre quartier. Racontez.