

Anglais

Probatoire

Série A-B-C-D-E

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ANSWER ALL THE QUESTIONS)

SECTION A: GRAMMAR

1. Choose the correct word or phrase and fill in the blanks.

- a) He.....refused to help the little boy, has he? (did not, has not, has)
- b)she really care about her career today? (How, Does, , Is)
- c)of the two mangoes you gave me was edible. (None, No one, Neither)
- d) The teacher was not pleased because students were doing well in his subject (many and many fewer and fewer more and more)
- e) Kamougoue is the dirtiest boy I've.....met in this town. (ever, forever, never).

2. Complete the following sentences by using the appropriate form of the word or phrase in brackets.

- a) Toudou.....(close) the window before he locked the door, hadn't he?
- b) I.....(try to solve this problem now.
- c) I..... (wait) for him for more than two hours.
- d) He will jump for joy when he..... (see) you again tomorrow.
- e) Mrs. Achu's car was (stick) in the mud.

SECTION B: VOCABULARY

1. Match the items in column A with their corresponding parts in Column B. Write your answers in the spaces provided.

Column A	Column B
1) This year will be successful	a) stop trying to change it.
2) The world belongs	b) to the enthusiastic.
3) Thom are no degrees of honesty	c) if I can achieve my project
4) The heaviest thing	d) and liars have no true friends.
5) There is no future in the past	e) a person can carry is a grudge.

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2. Fill in the blank spaces with the correct form of the underlined words so that each sentence makes sense.

- a) Fotso is very greedy, and because of hispeople don't want to invite him to parties anymore.
- b) Suzanne is not a thief, she has never committed any.....
- c) This skirt is too long for you, take it to a seamstress who will reduce it.....
- d) Mary always sleeps early, but lately she has been..... late instead.
- e) Alice's stomach was aching. She acknowledge it was and

SECTION C: READING COMPREHENSION

Read the passage carefully and answer the questions that follow it.

STUDENT DAYS IN AMERICA

My ten years in America had been happy and eventful, but at the same time they had been remarkably strenuous. Life would have been so much easier if I could have devoted all my time to study. As things were, however, I was always in need of money and had to work out ways and means of earning a livelihood.

On one occasion I found a job in a soap factory. I had imagined that I would leave work each day inhaling the scent of roses or honey suckles but it was far from the case. It turned out to be by far the filthiest and most unsavory job that I had ever had. All the rotting entrails and lumps of fat of animals were dumped by lorries into a yard. Armed with a fork I had to load as much as I could of this reeking and utterly repulsive cargo into a wheelbarrow and then transport it, load after load, to the processing plant. At the end of two weeks I was almost fit to be transformed into a bar of soap myself. A doctor friend of mine advised me strongly to leave the job. If I did not, he said, I would certainly never complete my education in America

Taking to his advice I began to look for another job. I decided to go to the sea, and was lucky getting a job aboard a ship plying New York and Vera Cruz in Mexico. The pay was reasonably good and we were always assured of three good meals a day. On the other hand, there was always a most haunting feeling of loneliness, not just being without companions, but of being nobody's concern.

I learned too, that to sleep under the star in my native Africa was in spite of the raiding mosquitoes, a far happier prospect than sleeping out in cities of America. When I first visited Philadelphia with a fellow student, neither of us had any money for lodgings and, as we had nowhere to go, we walked back to the railway station and sat on one of the benches, intending to pass the night there. At about midnight we were rudely shaken out of our doze and greeted by a firm voice telling us that we could not sleep there. It was of course a very disturbed night.

QUESTIONS

1. Could the doctor devote all his time to study? Explain.
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2. Did the writer first expect the soap-factory job to be a pleasant one? Why?
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3. State in a sentence what the writer was paid to do at the soap factory.
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4. Name three things that the author learned from his experience as a student in America.
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5. Do you agree that going to study abroad can be risky? Give your reasons.

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SECTION D: ESSAY

1. Can a developing nation successfully maintain traditions? Illustrate with clear examples.
2. Should poor countries continue to rely on foreign aid?

You are preparing a speech to deliver before a youth community during the youth week. You want to talk about what the youth should do to improve upon their living conditions and ensure a better future for themselves and for the nation. Write the speech

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