

Anglais

Probatoire

Série A-B-C-D-E

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Complete these sentences with suitable words.

- a) If I had known, I _____ told the truth.
- b) We bought this picture a long time _____
- c) I shall not be here _____ he calls
- d) Henry hates spending money _____ the fact that he is rich.
- e) Cameroonians enjoy football, _____

II. Match the expressions in column A with their appropriate endings in column B. Write your answers in the spaces provided.

Column A	Column B
a) For everything you do	To keep fit
b) Violating Children's right	who won all the prizes
c) Irene was selected because she is	plan properly
d) My father runs every morning	computer literate
e) This is the student	is unacceptable

SECTION B: VOCABULARY:

I. Choose the words nearest in meaning to the underlined words, from the lists in brackets. Write your answers in the spaces provided.

- a. Do not look down on your teachers. They are indispensable in your lives (look at, look up, despise)
- b. The young man took over his fathers company. (look away, seized, inherited)
- c. The Soldiers were praised for their Victory. (reprimanded, honoured, greeted)
- d. The thunderstorm completely destroyed the harvest causing widespread famine. (starvation, hungry, anger).
- e. The manager has not paid his workers for ten months. (employees, employers, employed)

II. Complete this short phrases with appropriate words.

Promiscuity is on the increase in our society. Most youths feel that they must haveboyfriends or girlfriends to be considered important in theThey blatantly ignore the..... of this behaviour which by the way has no credit. Promiscuity leads to of self-respect. Society tends to see in the promiscuoustheir inability to control themselves and their instincts.

SECTION C: COMPREHENSION

Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions below it in complete English sentences.

If someone offered you a million dollars to give up watching television for the rest of your life, would you do so? Some years ago one in four Americans surveyed said that they would not. Another survey asked men what they wanted most. The majority said that they desired peace and wanted first in life a big-screen television.

Television is immensely popular throughout the world. Back in 1931, when television was in its infancy, the chairman of the Radio Corporation of America said: "The potential audience of television in its development may reasonably be expected to be limited only by the population of the earth itself". Those words may have sounded far -fetched at the time, but they do not today. The number of televisions worldwide is limited to stand at 1.5 billion, with many more viewers. Love it or hate it, television plays a major role in people's lives.

The time that many people devote to it is astonishing. Recently, a global study showed that on average, people watch TV for just over three hour each day. North Americans watch four and u half hours daily, while the Japanese top the list at five hours per day. Those hours add up. If we watch four hours daily, by the age of 60 we would have spent ten years in front of the screen. Yet none of us would want inscribed on our tombstones: “Here lies our beloved friend who devoted one sixth of his/her life watching TV”.

Do people watch hours of television because they enjoy it? Not necessarily. Many believe that they spend too much time watching TV and feel guilty that they haven’t used their time productively. Some say they are “TV addicts”. Of course, you cannot become addicted to TV in the same way that a person becomes addicted to narcotics, though there are similarities. Addicts devote much time to the drug they use. Though they want to reduce that time or quit the habit, they can’t. They sacrifice important social and family activities to use drugs and they suffer withdrawal.

Television can be a powerful teaching tool. By means of it we learn about lands and peoples we may never visit. We travel to tropical jungles, to mountain peaks and ocean depths. We watch news as it happens on the other side of the globe. Television captures the lives of people in both tragedy and triumph. it entertains, instructs, md even inspires.

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Questions

1. State one reason why you cannot give up watching Television.....
2. According to the text what two things do people value in their hives?
3. What two negative impacts has Television on people?
4. Who is a TV addict?
5. . To what extent is TV an instructor?

SECTION D: ESSAY

Write essay of 200 -250 words on ONF the following topics:

- a) Many students disturb lessons *with* calls from their mobile phones. As President of the Students’ Association in your school, present convincing arguments that will dissuade students from taking mobile phones to school. The name of your school and your identity must not be written in your essay.

b) Imagine that you are the President of your country. What steps will you take to stop corruption.

Do not write the name of your country in your essay.

Describe an event concerning the youths, and which ends in..... “The youths went back home tired but happy. They really enjoyed themselves that day”.

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