

Anglais

Probatoire

Série A-B-C-D-E

Session de 2006

ANSWER ALL THE QUESTIONS

SECTION A: GRAMMAR

1. Choose from the words in brackets that best complete the sentences.

- a) After the lesson many students complained that they hadn't understood
(something, nothing, anything)
- b) Some people cannot concentrate on their work theradio is on. (why, while, during)
- c) We will write this examination..... two hours (since, for, during)
- d) Did youplay football when you were in the primary school? (ever, never, like)
- e) Adolphthat he wasn't ill yesterday. (told, wanted, said)

2. Complete each sentence with an appropriate word or phrase of your own.

- a) Etoundi will not travel until his parentshis air ticket.
- b) When I was young, if I was punished I the whole day.
- c) The journalist was fired because he..... his job well.
- d) If you are tired, just..... down and have some rest.
- e) Uncle Ernest is old, he can no longer.....as he used to.

SECTION B: VOCABULARY

1. Match the words in Column A with those in Column B.

Column A

Column B

court

restaurant:.....

belief

faith:.....

sports

worker:.....

tool

lawyer:.....

waiter

referee:.....

2. Complete each sentence with a word or phrase that has the same meaning

as the items in brackets.

- I want you to..... your exam this year.(pass)
- The Principal will send you away from school if you are..... (impolite)
- I always go to the forest to..... firewood.(fetch)
- A..... man does not like sharing with other people.(selfish)
- You must learn to face..... situations in life to get stronger.(difficult)

3. Fill in each space by using the appropriate word or phrase in bracket.

- To become a competent doctor one needs good..... (formation, training, experiences)
- It is not to read a work neatly written (interesting, boring, Exciting)
- The meat from cow is called..... (beef, mutton, pork).
- It is said that there is no more..... conflict in South Africa (race, racial, racist)
- Scientists carry out..... in their laboratories (experience, experts, experiments)

SECTION C: COMPREHENSION

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

Use your own words as far as you can.

She was admitted in to the maternity ward at 12 midnight. She had been married for 20 years but had had no child. Her husband was worried, but expecting good news. The doctor had told her that it was risky because of her age. What was at the forefront of her mind at that was to be a mother, to know that one more human being had come in to the world

through her, even if her name was added to the list of women who died at childbirth. It is because of this courage and determination of women to have children even at the cost of their lives that people say “mother is gold.”

You cannot make omelet without breaking eggs. Throughout the world, there is no victory song without pain. When I was young, my mother always woke up at 6 am for morning prayers. She always prayed on our behalf and always ended with something like this. “May we not enter into any dangers or get into any difficulties this day.” It took me almost thirty years to dislodge the cankerworm from my mother’s sentiments. I found out by hard experience that all that is noble and praise worthy is to be achieved only through difficulties and trials and tears and dangers.

Life, if it is going to be abundant, must have plenty of hills and valleys. It has to be full of sunshine and rough weather. It must be full of days of danger and apprehension. When I walk into the dry but certainly cool morning air of every January 1st, I wish myself plenty of tears and laughter, plenty of unhappiness, plenty of failures and successes, plenty of abuses and praises. It is impossible to live ultimately without a rich measure of intermixture in a menu.

If therefore, you are in this New Year to win any target you have set for yourself, please accept my prayers and your elixir.’ May your road be rough!”

QUESTIONS

1. Give a suitable title to the passage.

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2. Explain.: ‘You cannot make an omelet without breakings eggs.’

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3. What are the two virtues that women exhibit in delivering children?

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4. Do you believe that we can learn from difficulties and danger? Explain.

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5. Why does the author say that his mother’s prayer was a cankerworm that had to be removed.....

SECTION D: ESSAY

Write an essay of about 200-250 words on any ONE of the following topics

1. Girls make better leaders than boys. Discuss.
2. Write a letter to your uncle thanking him for having bought your school needs and paid your school fee at the beginning of the academic year. Your name is Ndombolo Francis, and your school is G B S S Mbiniki, P.O BOX 2222, Mbiniki.

Why and how must people seek peaceful solutions to their problems? Give your reasons.

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