



Consignes : 1. L'usage de la calculatrice programmable est interdit  
3. Le téléphone est interdit dans les salles

2. Le silence est obligatoire

Durée de l'épreuve : 2 heures 30.

**I. Compétence Interprétative (30 pts.)**

Reading comprehension

A- Read the text carefully then answer to the questions about it. (20 pts.)

**Traveling**

Millions of people all over the world like traveling. They travel to see other countries and continents, modern cities and the ruins of ancient towers, they travel to enjoy picturesque places or to learn about other cultures. It's always interesting to discover new things and different ways of life, to meet different people, to try different food, to listen to different music. People who live in the countryside often like to go to a big city in order to visit museums and art galleries, things they don't have at their hometown. They like to buy in elegant shops and to dine at exotic restaurants. People from the city often like a quiet holiday by the sea or in the mountains where they can sunbathe or walk. Many tourists love taking photographs of everything that interest them, the sights of a city, of churches and castles, views of mountains, lakes, valleys, plains, waterfalls, forests, different kinds of trees, flowers and plants, animals and birds.

People travel by train, by plane, by ship or boat and by car. All means of travel have their advantages and disadvantages. And people choose one according to their plans and preferences. The fastest way of traveling is traveling by plane, but the most comfortable is traveling by ship and the cheapest is traveling on foot.

If we like traveling, we see and learn a lot of things that we can never see or learn at home, though we may read about them in books and newspapers and see pictures of them on TV. The best way to study geography is to travel and the best way to get to know and understand the people is to meet them in their homes.

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**Questions**

1. How do people from the big cities like to spend their holidays?
2. Why do people travel?
3. Which is the most comfortable means of transport?
4. What is the best way to study geography?
5. How can people travel?

B- Summarize the text in three complete sentences (5 pts).

**II. Compétence linguistique (30 pts.)**

Use of the language

A- Choose the best answer among the possibilities below. (10pts.)

1. John \_\_\_\_\_ his car stolen last night.  
a) has                      b) has had                      c) had
2. I \_\_\_\_\_ water the garden. It rained this morning.  
a) shouldn't                      b) should                      c) might
3. Janice \_\_\_\_\_ her house painted at the moment.  
a) has                      b) is having                      c) will have
4. Ben looks tired. He \_\_\_\_\_ hard all day long.  
a) Had been working                      b) has been working                      c) is working
5. Jennifer has been my best friend \_\_\_\_\_ 1992.  
a) ago                      b) since                      c) for

**B- Use the "ed" adjectives below to complete the definitions which follow. (10 pts.)**

alarmed – amused – astonished – bored – depressed – satisfied

1. When you find something funny, you are \_\_\_\_\_ by it.
2. If something makes you sad and unhappy, you feel \_\_\_\_\_.
3. If you are \_\_\_\_\_, you feel very surprised.
4. If something makes you very worried, you are \_\_\_\_\_ by it.
5. When you are \_\_\_\_\_, you feel tired and impatient because you have nothing to do.

**C- Put the verbs in parentheses into the correct infinitive form or the-ing form. (10pts.)**

1. I don't know, but he admitted \_\_\_\_\_ (steal) things in our neighborhood.
2. Well, I'm happy \_\_\_\_\_ (hear) that the thief was caught.
3. I'll take you to your mother and, if she agrees, I am sure we can \_\_\_\_\_ (arrange) some lessons for you.
4. I suggest \_\_\_\_\_ (visit) the museums and art galleries. They're fascinating.
5. They are looking forward to \_\_\_\_\_ (return) this weekend.

**III. Compétence interpersonnelle et organisationnelle (20 pts.)**

**Problem solving situation**

You are an eyewitness to a crime. A man has robbed a bank, but instead of keeping the money for himself, he donates it to a poor or an orphanage that can now afford to feed, clothe, and care for its children. You know who committed the crime. If you go to the authorities with the information, there's a good chance the money will be returned to the bank, leaving a lot of kids in need, what will you do?

**IV. Compétence discursive et argumentative (20pts.)**

**Writing production**

**Choose one of the two topics below then write a ten-line paragraph about it.**

- 1- Have you ever had an unusual experience when taking a trip?
- 2- After high school, the choice of a profession is the next important step in life. What do you intend to pursue as a career? Why?