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Service des Examens

**Sujet** : **ANGLAIS (Candidats nationaux)** **Coefficient** : **02**

**Date** : **21 Juillet 2016**

**Option** : **A**

**Durée** : **2h30** **Catégorie** : **I**

**A.READING COMPREHENSION** (7pts)

**Read the text carefully and answer the questions**

TEXT: SHOULD MOBILE PHONE BE BANNED AT SCHOOL?

- 1 Mobile phones are very much in fashion today and many children have their own phones. They take them everywhere they go; even to school. This can be a problem, especially if they are used in class. Some schools have proposed banning mobile phones.

On the one hand, parents may need their children in an emergency, so it is important for students to have

- 5 their mobile phones at schools. Students may also need their parents for some reasons; they can use their phones to tell them they will come home late.

In addition, using the different options of the phone such as internet and Facebook is also very efficient; it is quick means of communication and a rich source of information.

But on the other hand, some students do not have the opportunity to get mobile phone. They may feel bad

- 10 about this or even jealous. Another issue is that mobile phone ring in the classroom. It disturbs the others.

Moreover, they may lose their concentration during a lesson. They are most of the time busy talking with their friends on Facebook.

To sum up, while the students may need to have phones in case of emergencies, they should switch their phones off before lessons. The use of mobile phone in class is annoying and disrespectful. They should be

15 banned during lessons.

## QUESTIONS

### I-Guessing words (0,5pt x2) = 1pt

- 1- Find the opposite of “**early**” in the sentence: “On the one hand, parents may need their children in an emergency, so it is important for students to have their mobile phones at schools. Students may also need their parents for some reasons; they can use their phone to tell them they will come home late.” (l.4-6)
- 2- In the following sentences: “*to sum up*”, *while the students may need to have phone in case of emergencies, they should switch their phones off before lessons. The use of mobile phone in class is annoying and disrespectful. They should be banned during lessons.*” (l.13-15)

“**Banned**” means:

- a- Permitted
- b- Forbidden
- c- Allowed
- d- Easy

### II- Fill in the blanks with the appropriate linking words:(0,5pt x2) = 1pt)

- 1- Some students do not have the opportunity to get mobile phone.....they may feel bad about this or even jealous.
- 2- They may lose their concentration during a lesson .....they are most of the time busy talking with their friends on Facebook.

### III-Answer the following question: (1pt)

What are the drawbacks of using mobile phone for young people?

### IV-Classify the following ideas according to the order they appear in the text:

- a- But mobile phones will disturb everybody if they are used during a lesson.
  - b- Mobile phones are fashionable nowadays.
  - c- So, they should not be allowed in class.
  - d- Mobile phones are necessary especially in case of emergencies.
- 1)..... 2)..... 3)..... 4).....

### V-say if you agree or disagree with the statement: “Using a mobile phone is essential nowadays”.

Give the two reasons :( 2pts)

I agree with it because:

- a).....
- b).....

OR

I disagree with it because:

- a).....

b).....

### **B-GRAMMAR IN USE** (2PTS)

**Fill in the blanks with the appropriate grammatical items so as to get the text restored:** (0,25pt x 8= 2pts)

Janet is fifteen year-old girl. She has a music lesson...1...Wednesday. She enjoys...2...lessons very much. She...3...play the piano well but today she is ill...4...she can't go...5...her music lesson. She is staying...6...home in her bed. Her mother is looking...7...her in her room. Next week, she...8...be back to her music lesson.

1..... 2..... 3.....  
4.....  
5..... 6..... 7.....  
8.....

### **C-INDIRECT TEST OF SPEAKING** (4pts)

**1- Make the sentences less formal :** ( 0,5pt x 4= 2pts)

- a) Would you mind turning the radio off?
- b) Could you possible bring this heavy box, please?
- c) I'd like to introduce my cousin Jim?
- d) Would you mind not sitting here, please?

**2-Build up a dialogue from the following situation :** ( 0,5pt x4= 2pts)

A tourist asks you the way to the Airport. You tell him to go straight on and turn left. He thanks you. You reply and wish him a nice travel.

Tourist:.....  
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You:.....  
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Tourist:.....  
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You:.....  
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**D-WRITING COMPOSITION (7pts)**

You have read the following advertisement in “VidyVarotra”:

Malagasy Trade Company  
Recruits  
A secretary (male or female)  
Requirements:  

- Malagasy nationality
- Age: between 21 and 24
- BEPC degree
- Good command of informatics
- Speaking French fluently
- Good notion of English
- Honest and hard-working
- Sociable
- Previous experience

Write to: the director of Malagasy Trade Company  
B.P: 245  
Nanisana Antananarivo 101

**Write a letter of application for this job. (80 to 100 words)**

Use the following layout. Don't change anything.

Lot VB 52,  
Tanambao,  
501 Toamasina.

1<sup>st</sup> August 2016

The Director of Malagasy Trade Company  
B.P: 245  
Nanisana Antananarivo 101

Dear Sir or Madam,

Yours faithfully,

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