

CONCOURS D'ENTREE EN 1^{ere} ANNEE – SESSION D'AOÛT 2018

EPREUVE d'ANGLAIS

Durée 2h00 - Coefficient 1

SECTION A: GRAMMAR (10MARKS)

I. Complete the following dialogue so that it makes complete sense. (5marks)

Customer: Good morning madam.

Trader: _____ you?

Customer: I want some fresh fruit. _____ ?

Trader: The apples cost 300f each and the oranges, 500f a kilo.

Customer: _____

Trader: That will cost you 1.100f. Can I have the money?

Customer: _____ please?

Trader: You can find sodas at the supermarket over there.

Customer: Thank you very much.

Trader: _____

II. Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs given. (2.5 marks)

1. I wish Cameroon _____ qualified for the next world cup in Russia. (to be)
2. When I saw Paul, he _____ a soda in a bar. (to drink)

3. Had the police arrived earlier, they _____ the thieves.
(to catch)
4. Provided that your work is done, the boss _____ you (to shout at)
5. Jim is on his way to the train station. In about thirty minutes, he _____
there (to arrive).

III. Complete the following sentences with the appropriate words chosen from brackets. (2.5marks)

1. We can't pass this exam _____ we seriously get to work. (if, unless, by)
2. Many children in Africa are still _____ of malaria. (killing, dead, dying, death)
3. You need a lot of _____ to do that kind of physical job. (strong, strength, strenth)
4. We have been expecting his arrival _____ yesterday. (for, since, by)
5. Come very early tomorrow _____ we can take the first bus. (so that, then, because)

SECTION B: VOCABULARY (10MARKS)

I. Fill in the blanks with the suitable word chosen from the brackets. (2.5 marks)

1. _____ enjoy living in Cameroon because Cameroonians are peaceful.
(strangers, foreigners, visitors)
2. Because of terrorism, security officers _____ people before they can enter public places. (search for, find, search)
3. The victim of the bike accident was still _____ so they rushed him to hospital. (living, alive, in life)
4. Let us go out and _____ something to eat. (find out, look for, look)

5. Maths and Chemistry were my best _____ in secondary school. (subjects, matters, science)

II. Form words from those given to complete the sentences sensibly. (5marks)

1. Our _____ expects us to be trustworthy. (employ)
2. She didn't have much _____ of her country's history. (know)
3. Mrs Ekema talked to us about the _____ of being polite to customers. (important)
4. Previous work experience is taken into _____ before most recruitments. (consider)
5. There were thirty _____ for the position of manager. (apply)

III. Write the opposite of the bolded words in the following sentences. Choose from the words in brackets. (2.5 marks)

1. We were given a five-star reception by our **hosts** at the party.
_____ (guests, invitees, receptionists)
2. Nestor could see his ball **floating** on water in the pool but he couldn't get it because he couldn't swim. _____ (sinking, penetrating, falling)
3. The credulous believers **swallowed** all the lies of the fake prophet.
_____ (disagreed, disapproved, contested)
4. Our preacher said **heaven** is the home of God. _____ (infernal, hell, paradise)
5. The shoes you bought are just too **common** for my liking. _____ (miscommon, discommon, uncommon)

SECTION C: READING COMPREHENSION (5MARKS)

Read the passage below and answer the questions under it.

Profile of a successful woman

Mammy Takor is celebrating three decades of selling fufu and eru in the nation's capital this year. She has succeeded in carving a niche for herself with this delicacy and other spicy and palatable dishes such as fufu and okro soup, koki beans, plantain and ekwang.

The story of her trip to Yaounde can only be told by herself; the young Eyang Lidwina had a pitiful debut. She still remembers how her late father forced her into early marriage. In fact, her father's position was optionless. The old man promised to disown her if she failed to marry Mathias Takor.

Mammy Takor's early marriage compromised her education and an early ambition of becoming a senior police officer. However, she is quick to point out that the marriage later turned out to be very romantic and successful following the tons of love showered on her by Mathias Takor Eta and their six blessed off springs. Upon her arrival in Yaounde in 1979, Mammy Takor began trading in loin clothes which she bought from the South West Province. She had many regular customers who usually borrowed materials and would promise to pay later on. Some paid their debts while others pleaded for the payments to be delayed. Her line of debtors failed to honour their financial obligations and this was not only annoying but discouraging to which she had to give it a second thought.

After discussing with her husband, the idea of selling food was floated as a replacement for the unprofitable sale of the African fabrics. Like all great ideas would roll out, she began in a small-scale selling food to her husband and his colleagues of the US Embassy during break.

The experiment turned out to be very successful especially as her fufu and eru was described as most delicious. Such motivating feedback was a catalyst for embarking on a worthwhile project – a restaurant. She finally opened a private restaurant business in 1987. This

restaurant that began opposite the US Embassy later moved to the make-shift site behind the Ministry of Commerce in 1995. Here, she became the most popular Anglophone food sales woman in town. The delicious nature of her meals earned her the brand name Mammy Takor, originating from the name “Takor” shared by her husband and son.

Her joint became a meeting place for Anglophones and served as a post office and directory for Anglophones in Yaoundé.

Mammy Takor is frank to reveal her business is very flourishing. In fact, she says that she comfortably sells about a thousand plates a day of the assorted meals even though some clients borrow and never settle their debts.

Questions

1. For how many years has Mammy Takor been trading in food? (1mark)

2. Name the business she dealt in before and say why she decided to change it.
(2marks)

3. Give one similarity between her former business and the present one? (2marks)

4. How many children does the woman have? (1 mark)

5. Say if the following statements are true or false. If false, correct them with the correct information. (2marks)

- a. In her tender age, Mammy Takor wanted to be a business woman.

b. Her husband worked in the Ministry of Commerce.

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6. Mammy Takor was forced into early marriage by her father. Do you think she regrets this decision today? Say why. (2marks)
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Section D: ESSAY Writing (10marks)

Write an essay of 200-250 words on one of the following topics.

1. "Going to school and obtaining diplomas and certificates is the only condition to be successful in life." Do you agree with this statement?
2. Unemployment: causes, consequences and solutions