

CONCOURS D'ENTREE EN 1^{ere} ANNEE – SESSION AVRIL 2021

EPREUVE d'ANGLAIS

Durée 2h00 - Coefficient 1

SECTION A. Grammar.

/10 marks.

Exercise 1. Form questions to complete the dialogue below. Use the prompts given to you. /5 marks.

- A How long.....?
- B I've been living in this country for four years. I came here in 2017.
- A Where.....?
- B I lived in the university residence when I first arrived.
- A Did.....?
- B No, I didn't have self-catering accommodation.
- A Did.....?
- B No I really didn't. I didn't experience any culture shock in those days.
- A What.....?
- B English people are hospitable, but reserved.

Exercise 2. Complete each sentence with the correct word from the brackets. / 2.5 marks

1. That red car is my..... (father/father's/fathers')
2. You.....to come if you don't want to. (don't have/can/don't)
3. I don't know.....Spanish – only a few words. (many/little/much)
- 4.....is it from here to your village? (How many/How long/How far)
5. This house is.....than ours. (far big/far bigger/far biggest)

Exercise 3. Fill in the gaps in the sentences with appropriate prepositions from the list. Be careful, there are more prepositions than you need. / 2.5 marks.

List of Prepositions: for to above under with about of on.

a. Some cultures don't agree.....girls going to school.

- b.Hassanatou's work is excellent. It's well.....average.
- c.Don't worry. We have the situation.....control.
- d.She has complained.....the parents.....their child's attitude.

SECTION B. Vocabulary.

/ 10 marks.

Exercise 1.Complete the following paragraph with appropriate words of yours. / 5 marks.

.....can spread by touching contaminated surfaces and then touching your eyes, nose or.....Doctors recommend that you wash your hands with.....and water, or use hand-sanitiser wipes. These.....should contain at least fifty per cent alcohol. But above all, they say that you should.....travelling when you are ill.

Exercise 2.Fill in the blanks with the homophones of the words in brackets. /2.5 marks.

- 1.I can'tteaching a noisy class. (bare)
2. There is a serious problem of.....disposal in our towns. (waist)
3. Students must.....uniforms to school. (were)
4. You look! Are you ill? (pail)
5. The transport.....to Bafoussam usually rises during weekends. (fair)

Exercise 3.Fill in the blanks with the right item from the brackets. / 2.5 marks.

- a.Educating girls is the best way to_____ women. (refuse authority/empowered/empower)
- b.To.....on your two feet is to be independent and able to look after yourself.(stand/sit up/lie run)
- c.It is a criminal.....to sexually harass another person at home,at work or at school.(pain/crime/offence)
- d.Sending a person to space was a remarkable..... (achievement/exemplary/spacecraft)
- e.The.....applauded enthusiastically at the end of the concert. (performance/movie/audience)

SECTION C. Reading Comprehension

/ 10 marks.

Read the text below carefully and answer the questions that follow it. Use your own words as much as possible.

Text: Is consumerism good for us?

What would you have done if you lived 200 or more years ago? Could you have bought your clothes in a shop? Would you have owned more than one pair of shoes? Would you have had to produce all your own food? Two hundred years ago most people, except for a few elite, were producers, rather than consumers. They produced enough food for their families to eat. They made their own clothes.

So, what is consumerism? Consumerism is about acquiring goods. Our desire to consume things is nothing new, but in the modern world many people have the ability to buy more. They also buy more than they need. Buying goods and services gives them satisfaction. People love shopping around for the best deals and goods. They are motivated to work so that they have more money to spend. Some people argue that we become obsessed with buying and owning things. Others also say that this is one of the main problems of a capitalist economy system. It makes the gap between the rich and the poor even greater.

How did we all become such avid consumers? It all started with the Industrial Revolution. As a result of industrialisation, goods became more easily available because production was quicker and easier. Factory-made goods were cheaper than hand-made goods, so the people who worked in the factories could afford to buy what they made. They didn't need to make everything themselves anymore. The workers became consumers. Later, department stores became popular. These stores sold a whole range of different products, from clothing to perfumes and household appliances. People didn't have to go to many different places to buy things. Instead they were able to do all their shopping under one roof and they were also tempted to buy more goods.

One of the main problems of consumerism is the fact that it is wasteful and harmful to nature. Most of the goods that we buy are packaged in plastic paper or plastic. We throw away this packaging when we use the goods we have bought. We also throw things such as radios and toasters away when they go faulty, instead of repairing them. Consumerism has created what some people call a 'throw away' society. Many of the factories that produce goods cause pollution and they also often waste valuable resources such as water to produce goods.

Consumerism has had a huge impact on society and individuals, as well as on the environment. Some say it has caused our society to break down and fall apart. People who have money have become addicted to spending it. People who don't have money are jealous and envious of those who do have money to spend. But people say that consumerism makes us happy. What do you think?

QUESTIONS.

1. Why do people buy goods and services? / 2 marks.

2. According to the author, what triggered the phenomenon described in the text? / 2 marks

3. What are the impact of consumerism on our modern society?. / 2 marks.

4. Do you think consumerism is an addiction? Justify your answer. / 2 marks

5. In not more than 2 sentences say what the passage is all about. / 2 marks.

SECTION D. Composition

/ 10 marks.

Write a composition of about 350 words on ONE of the following topics.

1. In your opinion, which sources of energy are best adapted to most African countries? Explain why.
2. Discuss the causes and solutions of road accidents in our country.
3. There is a lot of insecurity in the world. As a youth leader in your community, you have convened a General Assembly in which you are advising members of your community to be more vigilant and to be one another's keeper. Write a speech. Your name is Newah Nfor and you are from Niweh in the South West Region.