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SECTION A : GRAMMAR (10 mks)

EXERCISE 1 : Complete this dialogue with the appropriate word of your own (2.5 mks)

CLIENT : Good morning, Sir!

BOSS : Good morning, madam.

_____ ?

CLIENT : I need a tax payers' card for some transactions at the port.

BOSS : Are you a civil _____ ?

CLIENT : No I _____ a small business in BUEA

BOSS : I am afraid the process is going to be a bit long. If I were you, I _____ ask for your pay slip...

CLIENT : I could possibly get those to you first thing tomorrow

BOSS : That will be perfect. I look forward to _____ you tomorrow morning.

CLIENT : Thanks a million for your patience and kind advice.

BOSS : You are welcome.

EXERCISE 2 : Complete the sentence started for you.(5 mks)

- 1- They should reduce their prices. I will never shop there again. **Unless they**
- 2- The baby saw his mother. The baby started crying. **No sooner**
- 3- Ships carry lifeboats. The crew escape if the ship sink. Ships carry lifeboats **so that**
- 4- The students arrived late. They were not punished. **Despite**

5- I study. To pass my exam. I study in order to

EXERCISE 3 : Complete the sentence putting the word in brackets in the correct form. (2.5 mks)

- 1- It is high time you _____ (to go) to bed
- 2- I don't mind _____ (to wash) clothes it is ironing them that I don't like.
- 3- You are standing too near the camera. Can you move a bit _____ (far) than this.
- 4- I like living in the countryside. It is _____ (peaceful) than living in a town.
- 5- Can you stop _____ (to make) so much noise ?

SECTION B : VOCABULARY (10 marks)

EXERCISE 1 : Complete the following paragraph with the appropriate words of your own. (5 marks)

Hobbies are great way to fill you're a) _____ time. They are important for people's physical and b) _____ well-being. Sometimes, your hobby can grow into c) _____, for example baking or sewing for income. When we are busy with working and studying, a hobby is a good way to d) _____. If you are shy, your hobby can help you build your e) _____

EXERCISE 2 : Choose the right word from the list to complete the empty areas : Currency ; Budget ; Discount ; Interest ; Loan (5marks)

- 1- Amount of money available or needed for a specific use _____
- 2- _____ the money used in a country.
- 3- _____ sum of money to be returned with interest
- 4- Reduction in price _____
- 5- Money paid for borrowing or investing money _____

SECTION C : READING COMPREHENSION (10 marks)

Read the following text and answer the questions below. Please try by all means to use your own words when answering.

RISING FOOD PRICES AND " HUNGER STRIKERS"

Since the start of 2006, the average world price for rice had risen by 207% wheat, by 136% maize, by 125% and soybeans, by 107 % , consequently, in 2008, food prices rose drastically the world over. Many citizens in the world took the streets to protest the price hikes. In the wake of high and rising food prices, at least 24 developing

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countries experienced unprecedented unrests. Analysts have been struggling to explain this global phenomenon.

Several factors contributed to the rising food prices. Analysts attributed the price rises to a series of poor harvests in various parts of the world. Biofuels had taken up all the land that was used to cultivate food. Maize was being used to produce biofuel. About 100 tons of grain were being redirected each year for fuel production. As farmers devoted more of their crops for fuel production than in the previous years, land and resources available for human consumption, especially in developing and least developed countries, where purchasing power is extremely weak. It is important to note that filling the tank of an average car with biofuel amounts to as much as an African person consumes in an entire year.

Rising oil prices also have a serious impact on food prices. Rising oil prices have heightened the cost of fertilisers require petroleum or natural gas to manufacture. Now natural gas is a close substitute for petroleum products. This has raised their prices and consequently the prices for fertilisers have also risen. Oil also provides most energy for mechanised food production and transportation.

Financial speculation is another key cause of the food crisis. This shows that there may be food crisis even with a big harvest. The indiscriminate lending of money and real estate speculation in America led to a financial crisis in January 2008. This adversely affected investment in food commodities. Financial speculators seeking quick returns have removed thousands of billions of dollars from mortgage bonds and invested them into food and raw materials. There is no food shortage but so long as food is a commodity in societies that do not protect people's right to participate in the market, people will go hungry including even the farmers.

To ensure the food remains available for their populations and to combat dramatic price inflation, major rice importers, such as China, Brazil, India, Indonesia, Vietnam, Cambodia, and Egypt have imposed strict export bans on rice. Conversely, several other nations, including Argentina, Ukraine, Russia, have either imposed high tariffs or blocked the export of wheat and other foodstuffs, driving up prices still further for countries that import these products. This has also reduced exporting farmers' incentives to step up food production in those producing countries.

QUESTIONS

1- What is the consequence of rising food prices ? _____

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2- Name three main causes of rising food prices. _____

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3- In what three ways does a rise in oil prices affect food production ? _____

4- How are rice and wheat producing countries solving the problem ? _____

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5- What is the impact of such policies? _____

_____ 2 mks

SECTION D : COMPOSITION (10 marks)

Write a composition of between 300-350 words on one of the following topics. You are reminded of the necessity for good English, logical presentation of ideas and paragraphing.

- 1- According to Cameroon's Anti -drug National Committee (C N L D), 60% of young people use drugs for recreational purposes. What in your opinion, are the reason for this? What are the possible future consequences for Cameroon ?
- 2- You have seen a job advertisement that you want to apply for. Write a covering letter to accompany your CV and application form. Explain why, even though you don't have the required experience, you feel you will be an asset to the company. Write to: The Personnel Manager, ABC Trading, P.O BOX DOUALA. Your name is Murielle Oumarou and your address is P.O BOX 789, MAROUA
- 3- What do you do in your leisure time? Describe how you help at home, sport that you play, hobbies you have, or any other activities you engage in regularly.