

REPUBLIC OF CAMEROON

Peace-Work-Fatherland

MINESEC/OBC

PROBATOIRES ACD-TI

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Time Allowed: 2 hours

Coef: A=4 CD-TI=3

ANGLAIS

(ANSWER ALL THE QUESTIONS)

SECTION A: GRAMMAR (10 MARKS)

I. Complete the dialogue below with suitable expressions chosen from those in the brackets.
(5 marks)

JUDITH: Hello Maloy, you look worried! What's the problem?

MALOY: I'm just from the hospital to collect my HIV test results. You can't imagine.
_____ am I HIV positive _____ I am also diabetic. (Either...or,
Neither...nor, Not only...but)

JUDITH: That shouldn't disturb you. Would you mind _____ with me? I have
something to tell you. In fact, I have a solution to your problem. (come, coming, to
come)

MALOY: Really! This is the _____ thing you have ever told me. (better, good,
best)

JUDITH: Yes, you know I have always _____ concerned about your
wellbeing. (being, been, to be)

MALOY: Please let's go, I am anxious to hear the news.

JUDITH: Well, being HIV positive or diabetic is no longer _____ problem these
days. Patients who know what to do live long and beautiful lives! (some, any, no)

MALOY: How is that possible?

JUDITH: You just need to start taking your antiretroviral therapy and eat a balanced diet. Avoid
junk food too. Also make sure you are positive about life.

MALOY: That sounds so easy and encouraging. Thank you so much.

II. Choose the correct expressions from those in the brackets to complete these sentences.
(5 marks)

1. This is Lionel Messi. Lionel Messi scored the winning goal at the World Cup Finals in Qatar. (Use
a relative pronoun to join both sentences)

2. The principal gave us some money to buy books for our Language Club. (Change to the **passive voice**)

3. This child is sick. He needs to be taken to the hospital. (Use the **plural form**)

4. My sister does not have enough money to travel abroad this year, _____ ?

(Add a **question tag**)

5. You do not have a voter's card. You will not be allowed to vote. (Use **unless** to join both sentences)

SECTION B: VOCABULARY (10 MARKS)

I. Use the correct form of the words in brackets to complete the sentences. (3 marks)

1. The student's _____ (perform) in the promotion exam was very outstanding. He received a prize from the Minister.
2. Snake bites are _____ (danger) and should be treated very fast.
3. _____ (forest) is an act that destroys the environment and should be avoided.

II. Complete the following sentences with correct expressions of your own. (2 marks)

4. People can now get _____ against the covid-19, giving them immunity from the virus.
5. During elections, the voters cast their _____ in ballot boxes at the polling station.

III. Complete the cloze text below with the appropriate words chosen from those in the box. There are more words than you will need. (5 marks)

dismissed, debt, works, jobs, research, switching, working

Computer addiction, can creep up on a person without one being aware of it. A recent _____ study showed that some children suffer from computer rage when they are forbidden to play computer games. But how exactly is computer addiction defined? As most other dependencies, specific questions can be asked to assess whether or not someone is addicted. For example, we can assess the quality of life before the computer arrived. Many people have lost _____ due to their computer addiction. Constantly _____ on to internet at work has caused many people to be _____, often after repeated warnings

were issued. Some people have gone into _____ and lost great amounts of money using online services.

SECTION C: READING COMPREHENSION (10 MARKS)

Read the passage below and answer the questions that follow. Use your own words as far as possible.

People the world over engage in volunteerism for a variety of reasons: to eliminate poverty and to improve basic health and education; to tackle environmental issues, to reduce the risk of disasters or to combat social exclusion and violent conflicts. In all of these fields, volunteerism makes a specific contribution by generating well-being for people and their communities.

Volunteers are motivated by values like those of equality, justice and freedom as expressed in the United Nations Charter. A society which supports and encourages different forms of volunteerism is likely to be a society which promotes the well-being of its citizens.

More than one billion people volunteer globally, the majority of them serving in their own countries. Many are in the forefront of efforts to improve the way they and their fellow citizens are governed and engaged. Moreover, volunteers are playing a vital role in making governments worldwide more accountable and responsive to their citizens. They are working with governments and civil society to hold those in power to account and to represent the voices of those who are often left out of development decisions such as women, youth and marginalised groups. The end result is more inclusive- and ultimately more effective development.

Volunteerism is a basic expression of human relationships. It is about people's need to participate in their societies and to feel that they matter to others. The ethos of volunteerism is infused with values such as solidarity, reciprocity, mutual trust, belonging and empowerment, all of which contribute significantly to quality of life.

A healthy society is one in which importance is given to formal and informal relationships that facilitate interaction and engagement and engender a sense of belonging. It is also one in which there is broad participation by all sections of the population. Communities with these characteristics do better in moving forward to meet common aspirations.

Volunteers are more likely to develop civic skills to attach more importance to serving the public interest as a personal life goal and to be more politically active. Thus, going about their volunteer-outlook that contributes to a social environment that nurtures the well-being of all.

(Source : www.umv.org)

Questions

1. Give two (2) reasons why people choose to become volunteers. (2 marks)

2. How do volunteers influence governments of various countries? (2 marks)

3. Name two (2) groups of people whose interest volunteers set out to protect. (2 marks)

4. State two (2) values that volunteerism uphold to improve people's quality of life (2 marks)

5. Do you think volunteers can influence governance in your country? Justify your answer. (2 marks)

SECTION D: COMPOSITION WRITING (10 MARKS)

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

1. You live in one of the cities Cameroon, and have noticed that pollution is fast becoming a serious problem. Write an essay in which you give examples of pollution and the causes. Also state the consequences of pollution and propose measures that can be taken by both individuals and communities to solve this problem.
2. You have noticed that **more and more** people are going back to old traditional practices even in the cities. Write an essay in which you describe a traditional ceremony you witnessed. What was it all about? When did it take place? What activities were carried out? Who were the participants? What is the importance of this ceremony to the people? What was your impression about the ceremony?
3. On the occasion of the celebration of Computer Literacy Day, you have been asked, in your capacity of the president of the Students' Union of your school, to give a talk to sensitise your school mates on the dangers of over-concentrating on modern technology. Say how it affects relations, school performance, character and others. You may as well talk about the advantages of computer literacy.