REPUBLIC OF CAMEROON

Peace - Work - Fatherland
MINESEC/ OBC

BACC A1-A2-A3-A4-A5
2023 Session

Duration: A1-A4: 3 hours.

A5: 4 hours.

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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)										
	Nda		Hello, good morning my neighbour. How are you today?								
	Chi:		I am doing great.								
	Nda	Challes open									
	Chi:		No, why? I have not gone to town last week. (since, for, ago) The situation in town is not the (better, good, best) What is happening in town? Is there any disaster? More than a disaster. Most of the streets are with garbage. (litter, littered, littering)								
	Nda										
	Chia										
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	Chi			it is wrong	with the	compan	y in charg	e of clear	ing the ru	bbish?	
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	Chi			erous for t						- 14	must be
				ickly too.						7 (2) · · ·	
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		5 mark	plete the sentences below following the instructions given in the brackets.								
	1)	Some (Cameroc	nians hav	e taken t	the COV	ID-19 vac	cine in o	rder to s	tay safe	from the
	Some Cameroonians have taken the COVID-19 vaccine in order to stay safe fro disease, they? (question tag)										
	2) "You must show your vaccination card against COVID-19 before access into our									r	
		ministr	y". The	minister sa	id. (put i	n reporte	d speech)				
	3)	If the g	overnmo	ent obliges	the peop	ole to take	the vacci	ne, there			be
		widesp	read ang	er. (give tl	ne correc	t word to	complete	the space)		
	4)	The co	ompany	director of	annot			the	e service	s of a	secretary.
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	5)	N		buy the	latest	made a					not have h, enough
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	SECTION B: VOCABULARY (10 MARKS)										
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		The advent of television in Cameroon has brought man	y blessings. First and foremost, it is a					
		popular source of entertainment and recreation appreciate	d by people of all					
		of life. Every day, especially in the evening, mar	ny people turn on their television					
		to watch their favorite programmes	with a lot of enthusiasm. In fact					
		Cameroonians can now enjoy international sporting fe						
		Olympic Games, thanks to television. Besides, television	is an source of					
		information which keeps its viewers abreast of current eve						
		television know about what is happening in and out of	the country on daily bases. Finally					
		television, is necessary because it teaches. For example, y	oung people nowadays have improved					
		on their dressing, performance in games and academic we	ork because of					
		programmes that they watch on television. Consequently,	television is indispensable in our lives					
		today.						
II-		 Choose an expression which best completes each senten 	ce. Write your answers in the					
		spaces provided. (5 marks)						
	1-	1- In some parts of Cameroon, there are communities that still						
		mutilation even though is punishable by the law. (gentle, genital, gentile)						
	2-	2- The of the above act think that it help	os to preserve the virginity of the girl					
		child. (perpetrators, preceptors, predators)						
	3-	3- This is an abuse of the rights of the girl child. The	of Women					
		Empowerment and Family should fight for its abolition. (M	Iinistering, Ministered, Minister)					
	4- On most major highways in Cameroon, drivers who over-speed and are caught must pay							
		of 25000fcfa. (fine, find, fines)						
	5-	5- This is one of the of accidents on of	our roads. (courses, curses, causes)					

SECTION C: READING COMREHENSION (10 MARKS)

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Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions that follow. Write in your own words as far as possible.

Erosion

Erosion is the process by which weathered sediment is carried away. Rock material can be moved by streams and rivers, waves, glacial ice, or wind. The number of fragments that are moved and the distance that they travel are affected by factors such as the size and mass of the particles and the speed at which the eroding agent is moving. Erosion affects the landscapes of all the regions of the world.

Soils are just a tiny fraction of all Earth materials, yet they are a vital resource. Because soils are necessary for the growth of rooted plants, they are the foundation of the human life-support system. However, soils are among our most abused resources. The loss of fertile topsoil is a growing problem as human activities disturb more of Earth's surface. Soil erosion is a natural part of the constant recycling of Earth materials known as the rock cycle. Water, wind, and other agents move soil from one place to another. Every time it rains, raindrops strike the soil surface with surprising force. Each drop acts like a tiny bomb, blasting soil particles off the surface. Water flowing across the surface then carries away the

dislodged particles. Because thin sheets of water move the soil particles, this process is called sheet erosion.

After flowing as a thin sheet for a short distance, the water forms tiny streams called rills. As more water enters the rills, they erode the soil further, creating trenches known as gullies. Although most dislodged soil particles do not move far during each rainfall, large quantities eventually make their way downslope to a stream. The stream transports these soil particles, which are now called sediments, and eventually deposits them in the plains.

In the past, the soil eroded more slowly than it does today because more land was covered by trees, grasses, and other plants. Unfortunately, human activities that remove natural vegetation, such as farming, logging, and construction, have greatly accelerated erosion. Without plants, soil is more easily carried away by wind and water. Scientists can estimate the rate of erosion due to water by measuring the amount of sediment in rivers. These estimates indicate that before humans appeared, rivers carried about 9 trillion kg of sediment to the oceans each year. In contrast, the amount of sediment currently transported to the seas by rivers is about 24 trillion per year.

Wind generally erodes soil much more slowly than water does. During a prolonged drought, however, strong winds can remove large quantities of soil from unprotected fields. That's exactly what happened during the 1930s in the part of the Great Plains that came to be known as the Dust Bowl. The rate of soil erosion depends on soil characteristics and on factors such as climate, slope, and type of vegetation. In many regions, including about one-third of the world's croplands, soil is eroding faster than it is being formed. This results in lower productivity, poorer crop quality, and threatened world food supply.

Another problem caused by excessive soil erosion is the deposition of sediment. Rivers that accumulate sediment must be dredged to remain open for shipping. As sediment settles in reservoirs, they become less useful for storing water, controlling floods, and generating electricity. Some sediments are contaminated with agricultural pesticides. When these chemicals enter a river or lake, they endanger organisms that live in or use the water, including humans. Sediments also contain soil nutrients, which come from natural processes and from added fertilizers. Excessive nutrient levels in lakes stimulate the growth of algae and plants. This can accelerate a process that eventually leads to the early death of the lake.

Although we cannot completely eliminate soil erosion, we can significantly slow it by using soil conservation measures. A misunderstanding of the composition of rain forest soil can lead to the destruction of millions of acres of it and what will be left will be severely leached, unproductive land. Conservation measures include steps taken to preserve environments and protect the land. These measures include planting rows of trees called windbreaks, terracing hillsides, ploughing along the contours of hills, and rotating crops. Preserving fertile soil is essential to feeding the world's rapidly growing population. (Culled and adapted from Pearson Earth Science by Edward J. Tarbuck & Co.)

Questions:

1. Give two things that determine the quantity and distance that eroded material can go? (2 marks)

Which two things contribute to soil erosion? (1 mark)
What is sheet erosion? (0.5 mark)
How do human activities affect rates of erosion? (1.5 marks)
Soil erosion brings about some negative effects. Name two of them. (1mark)
From the passage, name any four ways that can be used to preserve and protect the land from erosion. (2 marks)
Do you think that there is a problem of erosion in Cameroon? Suggest two ways to solve this problem (2 marks)

SECTION D: COMPOSITION (10 MARKS)

Write a composition of between 200-250 words on ONE of the topics below.

- Your parents want you to become a medical doctor after you leave school but this is not a
 profession you like. Write a letter to your uncle pleading to him to convince your parents to
 accept your choice of becoming a journalist. You may want to give the reasons for your choice,
 the importance of this job to the family or society, the opportunities that may come with time
 etc. Your name is Gota and your address is Post Office Box 34, Figa. Your uncle is called
 Kasa.
- 2. The Secretary of State for Secondary Education is visiting your school. Among some of the worries you have is the alarming rate of drug consumption among your schoolmates. As the senior prefect of your school, write a speech that you will present during this occasion. In your speech, give some of the reasons for this phenomenon, the consequences, what the school has been doing to stop it, and what you expect the Secretary of State to do to help the situation. Your name is Kika and the name of your school is GBHS Tana.
- 3. Your friend invited you for his birthday party last week. The party was very interesting and you enjoyed yourself very well. Write a composition in which you say when, where, and what happened there. Also say what particularly attracted your attention. Your friends name is Bah.

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SECTION A: GRAMMAR

I.

- 1. Have
- 2. Since
- 3. Best
- 4. Littered
- 5. Something

II.

- 1. haven't
- 2. The Minister said (that)we/ I /they must show our/my /their vaccination card against Covid-19 before access into their ministry.
- 3. Will / could / would / may
- 4. look down on / downplay on / do without
- 5. enough

SECTION B: VOCABULARY

I.

- 1. walks
- 2. sets
- 3. indispensable
- 4. watch
- 5. educative

II.

- 1. genital
- 2. perpetrators
- 3. minister
- 4. fine
- 5. causes

SECTION C: READING COMPREHENSION

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- I. The size and mass of the particles.
- The speed at which the eroding agent is moving.
- 2. Water and wind 1 mark
- 3. Sheet erosion is the process by which water flowing across the surface carries away the dislodged or soil particles.
- 4. Human activities affect rates of erosion through:
- · farming,
- logging
- construction
- 5. Lower productivity
- · Decrease of soil fertility
- Poorer crop quality
- Threatened world food supply.
- 6. -Planting rows of trees called windbreaks
- terracing hillsides,
- · ploughing along the contours of hills
- · rotating crops.
- 7. Yes (points above (6) justifies number7

SECTION D: COMPOSITION WRITING

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

The composition is scored using the 2/3 majority rule and according to the following evaluation criteria: Relevance, Coherence, Accuracy and Originality. Mark allocation for a letter (informal letter)

- · Sender's address
- Date I mark
- Greetings/ Salutation
- Complementary close
- Relevance
- Coherence

Accuracy

Mark allocation for expository essays

- 1. Relevance of the production to the topic
- II. Coherence-logical presentation of ideas and paragraphs that are linked to the topic.
- III. Accuracy choice of appropriate words, use of correct punctuation marks, accurate spellings, correct syntax and grammar, etc.
- IV. Originality

Mark distribution for a speech

Title of talk e.g. A speech on... presented by.

Opening address/Greetings

Closing address '

- Relevance
- Coherence

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Accuracy

TOPIC 1: INFORMAL LETTER

The candidate is expected to write a letter to his/her uncle pleading to him to convince his/her parents to accept his / her choice of becoming a journalist. He/she should give the reasons for his/her choice (financial reward, opportunity to travel, become famous, fast-pace and exciting field etc), the importance of this job to the family or society, and the opportunities that may come with time.

MARK DISTRIBUTION

Layout! Presentation/ Format

Sender's address

date

greetings / salutations

complementary close

Relevance of the production to the candidate's explanation and commitment.

Coherence

Chronological, logical and well organised ideas,

Well-connected paragraphs.

Accuracy:

Appropriate choice of words,

Good punctuation/spelling,

Appropriate vocabulary,

Appropriate grammar.

TOPIC 2: A SPEECH

The candidate is expected to present a speech' on the alarming rate of drug consumption among his/her school mates, its consequences, what the school has been doing to stop this and what he/she expects the Secretary of State to do to help the situation.

MARK DISTRIBUTION

Presentation/ Layout

Title of talk e.g. A speech on.

Opening address/Greetings

Closing address '

Releyance of the production to the candidate's explanation and commitment.

Coherence

Chronological, logical and well organised ideas,

Well-connected paragraphs. '

Accuracy:

Appropriate choice of words,

Good punctuation/spelling,

Appropriate vocabulary,

Appropriate grammar.

TOPIC 3: NARRATIVE / DESCRIPTTVE ESSAY

The candidate is expected to say when, where and what happened at the birthday party saying what 3 sur 4 24/11/2024 à 08:37

particularly attracted his/her attention at the party.

Relevance of the production to the topic.

Coherence- logical presentation of ideas and paragraphs that are linked to the topic.

Accuracy - choice of appropriate words, use of correct punctuation marks, accurate spellings, correct syntax and grammar, etc.

Originality

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