


FRANCOISXAVIER VOGT		SCHOOLYEAR : 2021/2022
ENGLISHDEPARTMENT	END OF YEAR ENGLISH LANGUAGE	MID-TERM SESSION EXAM
CLASS: 2ndeA	Time allowed :2hrs Coefficient: 3	May 2022

**PART ONE: EVALUATION OF RESOURCES**

**SECTION A: GRAMMAR ((10Marks)**

**Exercise one: Begin a new sentence with the underlined part of the following sentences. Correct the underlined word when necessary.(5mrks)**

1) I wouldn't have gone out late at night if I had heard about that strike.(1<sup>st</sup> conditional)

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2) Many girls were kidnapped by the terrorists in Nigeria.

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3) " It is our legal right to oppose the government." The city dwellers specified.

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4) It is not advisable to switch off the computer without closing all the windows.

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The girl announced that that day was her birthday.( **change into direct speech**)

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**Exercise two:Readtheconversationbelowandwritetheverb inbrackets intheir correct tense and form. (2.5marks)**

**Olama:** If I..... you, I wouldn't decline that offer.(**be**)

**Assene:** The director of human resources said that they .....the announcement tomorrow at 8 a.m.(**close**)

**Olama.:** You see, it is high time you ..... up your mind and start working.( **make**)

**Assene:** .....a respectable salary in Cameroon nowadays is becoming more and more difficult.(**earn**)

**Olama:** That's a pity.We were taught that reward is ..... to those who deserve it.Today, it's the contrary. ( **give**)

Exercise three: Complete the passage below with one of the most suitable conjunction chosen from the list.

Despite, Nor, until, as, since, although, as soon as.

..... Helen and Robert loved each other, they never stopped having issues in their home  
.....Husband and wife.....they got married, they started fighting with each other  
..... Robert started hanging about with useless friends, their marriage.Neither Robert .....his  
wife knew the

Source of their problem.But by the grace of God, peace came back to their home.

### SECTION B: VOCABULARY (10Marks)

Exercise one: Complete the following conversation with answers from brackets (2.5marks)

Ashidi: Hi, dear. Do you still live in the .....?( neighbour/neighbourhood/city council)

Olomo: No dear.My parents had built a ..... house (residential/ resident/residence) at  
Nkolfoulou

and registered me in a .....at Awae .(boudering school/boarding school/

High school).Ashidi: I see.I heard there is a lot of..... (delinquent/delinquency/delinquene) in

those schools.Although there are different .....where boys and girls sleep. **forgery/dormitories**  
**/dormitarles**).I advise you to be very carefully dear.

Exercise two: Use your own words to fill in the gaps in the passage below.(5marks)

The Red Cross is a .....organisation.It provides free surgeries to less fortunate and  
.....people.My mothers works with an .....service and my father is a  
Fire..... but none of them has ever received a salary from their job.They say they are all  
.....They volunteer to solve community problems.

Exercise three: Pronounce the following homophones and and choose the best one for these sentences.

Our teachers **advice/advise** us not to **buy/by** food on the **street/strict** so as to avoid Cholera.They  
say we **most/ must** also **practice/practise** physical activities to remain safe.

### EVALUATION OF COMPETENCE:

### SECTION C: READING COMPREHENSION (10Marks)

Read the text below and answer the questions that follow.

The future of reading Electronic Books.

*Electronic Books or e-books, provide a new, cool, environmentally-friendly and inexpensive way to read.Differing from their paper cousins only in the binding, e-books are stored and used as computer files rather than as ink on the paper.*

One arena that might soon see the lepto e-book use is the classroom. Students would take their handheld e-book reader to the electronic bookstore, load their texts, carry the lot in their bookbag, and not notice the extra weight of a dozen full-length texts.

E-books can be purchased directly on the internet from hundreds of publishers or retail e-book stores. In either case, pay with your credit or debit card, then download it directly as with a free book, or wait for it to arrive as an e-mail attachment, a disk or a CD.

E-books can be viewed on a computer screen or using a book reader. About the size of a large trade, paperback, these handed e-books readers high resolution, easy-to-read screen and a computer or telephone connector to obtain files. Better yet, they have enough memory to store many books files at once.

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A few big-name authors such as Stephen King, Anne Rice... as well as some large paper houses like Simon and Shuster have already put a toe in the e-book waters and the field get more crowded all the time. If you love paper books to death and just can't imagine reading other way, don't panic. So far, e-books are an alternative to the traditional ones. They haven't replace them... Yet, however, you don't have to be much of a prophet to note that since distributing books electronically is easier, faster, cheaper, and offers greater varieties, we should soon see a lot more of them. ...

**Questions:**

1) What is the difference between traditional books and e-books ?

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2) Where can we buy e-books?

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3) Is it possible to read some chapters of an e-book before you buy it? Quote your answer from the text.

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4) Say what the underlined words from text refer to.

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5) Find out two adjectives in the text and write down their opposites .

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## PART ONE: EVALUATION OF RESOURCES

### SECTION A: GRAMMAR (10 Marks)

**Exercise One:** Begin a new sentence with the underlined part of the following sentences. Correct the underlined word when necessary. (5 marks)

1. If I had heard about that strike, I wouldn't have gone out late at night.
2. The terrorists kidnapped many girls in Nigeria.
3. The city dwellers specified, "It is our legal right to oppose the government." *Correction: Change "specified" to "said" for more natural direct speech.*
4. Without closing all the windows, it is not advisable to switch off the computer.
5. The girl announced, "Today is my birthday." *Correction: Change "that day" to "today" for direct speech.*

**Exercise Two:** Read the conversation below and write the verb in brackets in their correct tense and form. (2.5 marks)

1. **Olama:** If I were you, I wouldn't decline that offer. *Correction: "be" → "were" for subjunctive mood.*
2. **Assene:** The director of human resources said that they would close the announcement tomorrow at 8 a.m. *Correction: "close" → "would close" for reported speech.*
3. **Olama:** You see, it is high time you made up your mind and started working. *Correction: "make" → "made" for past subjunctive.*
4. **Assene:** Earning a respectable salary in Cameroon nowadays is becoming more and more difficult. *Correction: "earn" → "earning" for gerund form.*

**Exercise Three:** Complete the passage below with one of the most suitable conjunctions chosen from the list. (2.5 marks)

Although Helen and Robert loved each other, they never stopped having issues in their home since they got married. As soon as they got married, they started fighting with each other because Robert started hanging about with useless friends. Neither Robert nor his wife knew the source of their problem. But by the grace of God, peace came back to their home.

## SECTION B: VOCABULARY (10 Marks)

**Exercise One: Complete the following conversation with answers from brackets. (2.5 marks)**

**Ashidi:** Hi, dear. Do you still live in the **neighbourhood**?

**Olomo:** No, dear. My parents had built a **residential** house at Nkolfoulou and registered me in a **boarding school** at Aware.

**Ashidi:** I see. I heard there is a lot of **delinquency** in those schools. Although there are different **dormitories** where boys and girls sleep. I advise you to be very careful, dear.

**Exercise Two: Use your own words to fill in the gaps in the passage below. (5 marks)**

The Red Cross is a **humanitarian** organisation. It provides free surgeries to less fortunate and **needy** people. My mother works with an **emergency** service, and my father is a Fire **fighter**, but none of them has ever received a salary from their job. They say they are all **volunteers**. They volunteer to solve community problems.

**Exercise Three: Pronounce the following homophones and choose the best one for these sentences. (2.5 marks)**

Our teachers **advise** us not to **buy** food on the **street** so as to avoid cholera. They say we **must** also **practice** physical activities to remain safe.

## SECTION C: READING COMPREHENSION (10 Marks)

**Questions:**

1. **What is the difference between traditional books and e-books?**

Traditional books are made of paper and ink, while e-books are stored and used as computer files.

2. **Where can we buy e-books?**

E-books can be purchased directly on the internet from hundreds of publishers or retail e-book stores.

3. **Is it possible to read some chapters of an e-book before you buy it? Quote your answer from the text.**

Yes, it is possible. The text states: \*”They usually provide several chapters free so you can try before you buy, just as in a paper bookstore.”\*

4. **Say what the underlined words from the text refer to.**

- **”They”** refers to e-publishers and their authors.
- **”Them”** refers to traditional books.

5. **Find out two adjectives in the text and write down their opposites.**

- **”Inexpensive”** → **”Expensive”**
- **”Easy-to-read”** → **”Difficult-to-read”**

## **SECTION D: COMPOSITION (10 Marks)**

### **Topic 1: Letter to the Bank Manager**

Adebada Paulin  
PO Box: 5584 Yaoundé  
Date: [Insert Date]

The Bank Manager  
Afriland First Bank  
Yaoundé

Dear Sir/Madam,

**Subject: Unauthorized Withdrawal from Account Number 000412356585**

I am writing to bring to your attention an issue regarding my bank account (Account Number: 000412356585). Recently, I noticed that a significant amount of money has been withdrawn from my account without my authorization. This unauthorized transaction has caused a disruption in my financial affairs, including the stoppage of my salary.

I kindly request that you investigate this matter urgently and rectify the mistake. Please ensure that the withdrawn amount is returned to my account and that my salary is reinstated without further delay.

I trust that you will handle this matter with the utmost urgency and professionalism. I look forward to your prompt response.

Yours faithfully,  
**Adebada Paulin**

### **Topic 2: How Food Affects Our Health**

The food we consume plays a crucial role in determining our overall health. Poor dietary choices, such as consuming excessive amounts of processed foods, sugary drinks, and unhealthy fats, can lead to various health problems. These include obesity, diabetes, heart disease, and even certain types of cancer. On the other hand, a balanced diet rich in fruits, vegetables, whole grains, and lean proteins can boost our immune system, improve mental health, and reduce the risk of chronic diseases.

In addition to the type of food we eat, the way we prepare and consume our meals also matters. Overcooking food can destroy essential nutrients, while undercooking can lead to foodborne illnesses. Therefore, it is essential to adopt healthy eating habits and make informed choices about the food we consume to maintain good health and prevent diseases.

### **Topic 3: Juvenile Delinquency**

Juvenile delinquency refers to the involvement of minors in illegal activities. This phenomenon is not limited to physical crimes but has also extended to the digital world, where young people engage in cyberbullying, hacking, and other online offenses. The rise

of social media and the internet has provided a new platform for delinquent behavior, making it easier for young people to commit crimes anonymously.

The consequences of juvenile delinquency are severe, both for the individuals involved and for society. Young offenders may face legal penalties, damage to their reputation, and limited future opportunities. To combat this issue, it is crucial to educate young people about the dangers of delinquency and provide them with positive outlets for their energy and creativity. Parents, teachers, and community leaders must work together to guide young people toward responsible behavior and help them understand the long-term consequences of their actions.