

First Term English Exam

Read the text carefully and do the following activities.

Our world today confronts terrible natural, economic and social problems as result of its development which never took into consideration the importance of protecting the environment and social criterion. This development has resulted in serious problems around the world such as : massive migration , poverty , unemployment , overpopulation ,freshwater shortage ,forest destruction , species extinction, urban air pollution and climate change . The need for sustainable development nowadays is urgent, otherwise there will be no resources for future generations.

Sustainable development means different things to different people , but broadly speaking it refers to environmental, economic and social well-being for today and tomorrow. It focuses on improving the quality of life for all of the earth's citizens without overusing natural resources beyond the capacity of the environment .It requires understanding that inaction has negative consequences and that we must find innovative ways to change policies and practices at all levels, from the individual level to the international one.

Sustainable development isn't a new idea. Many cultures over the course of human history have recognized the need for harmony between the environment , society and economy. What is new is an articulation of these ideas in the context of a global industrial and information society.

Some key actions are urgently needed to ensure a good quality of life for people around the world such as to meet essential needs and aspirations , jobs , food , energy , water and sanitation.

PART ONE : Reading Comprehension

(15 pts)

A) Comprehension

(7pts)

1) Choose the correct answer. (0.25 pt)

The text is : a) narrative b) prescriptive c) expository

2) Say if the following sentences are true or false according to the text. (1 pt)

- a) Environment protection and social features are not neglected.
- b) A lot of issues emerged as a result of evolution .
- c) Sustainable development is a crucial requisite.
- d) Citizens are unimportant in sustainable development.

3) In which paragraph are the risks of neglecting sustainable development mentioned? (0.25 pt)

4) Answer the following questions according to the text . (4 pts)

- a) Is the world today safe ? Justify
- b) What is the main cause of freshwater lack ?
- c) What are the three aspects of sustainable development ?
- d) Is sustainable development a recent concept? Justify.

5) Find in the text words closest in meaning to the following. (0.75 pt)

a)standards (§1)= b)crucial (§1)= c)squandering (§2)=

6) Find in the text words opposite in meaning to the following .(0.75 pt)

a)abundance (§1)= /=..... b)worsening (§2)= /=..... C)denied (§3)= /=.....

B) Text Exploration

(8pts)

1) Complete the following table .(1.5 pts)

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Verb	Noun	Adjective
To use		
.....		Economic
To develop		

2) Complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first one given.(3pts)

- 1.a. Humanity is facing a great deal of serious problems ,yet no concrete measures are taken.
b. No concrete measures are taken
- 2.a. World leaders don't take into account many aspects.
b. Many aspects.....
- 3.a. People have to stop water overuse.
b. Water overuse
- 4.a. Key actions are urgently needed to ensure a good quality of life.
b. The authorities

3) Combine the pairs of sentences using the appropriate connector from the list. Make the necessary changes. so that - in order to - although (1.5 pt)

- a) Man overuses water and electricity . He recognizes their importance.
- b) A lot of people leave their countries. They don't want to lead a miserable life.
- c) We don't want to damage the environment . We have to recycle and re-use waste.

4) Ask questions which the underlined words answer. (1 pt)

- a) To keep the environment clean , Algeria uses renewable sources of energy.
- b) Citizens must cooperate well .

5)Classify the following words according to the pronunciation of their final "s" confronts - means - stages - oversees - (1. pt)

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PART TWO : Written Expression (5pts)

Choose one of the following topics and write a composition.

Topic 1 : There are a lot of people all over the world suffering from starvation , illnesses , illiteracy, unemploymentetc . Do you think that , one day , their problems will be solved and that fairness and justice will prevail? If yes how ?

Topic 2 : What should be done to help our planet ? Use these notes :

To use dustbins for waste / not to waste resources of energy / raise people's awareness/
To use recyclable objects.....etc

No wealth like education and
no
Poverty like ignorance

Good Luck

Your teacher.Mrs.Mechouche