



Concours Toutes Options
Epreuve d'Anglais

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Barème : Part I : 30, Part II : 30, Part III : 20

IMPORTANT :

1- L'épreuve d'anglais comporte deux séries de feuilles :

- Les énoncés s'étalant sur 4 pages que les candidats sont appelés à garder

- Les feuilles réservées aux réponses (Answer sheet) s'étalant sur 4 pages, lesquelles

Doivent être rendues à la fin de l'épreuve aux professeurs surveillants

2- Il sera tenu compte de la présentation, (l'écriture au crayon n'étant pas permise)

Reading passage:

1- An American academic tells us what we already know – that working from home for anyone with caring responsibilities can be *more trouble than it's worth*. The study of homeworkers, by Professor Timothy Golden involved more than 300 teleworkers. Golden found that the stress and strain of dealing with domestic life had a detrimental effect on their ability to work, and vice versa.

2- This week we were told, at the launch of a report commissioned by the communities secretary, Eric Pickles, that only 2.9% of the working population in Britain works primarily from home and that to increase that number within the public sector would save the Treasury £15bn a year in rent and other expenses.

3-Because women are the main carers, whether of children or ill or elderly relatives, this is an issue that affects us disproportionately. Trying to ensure that someone is around for the kids to come home from school, and to organize trips to the doctors and dentist is a nightmare to juggle with a full-time job. I chose not to have children, but am a carer for a vulnerable adult. I understand the difficulties in being able to fully concentrate on the needs of others while doing your paid work.

4- Women have struggled for decades to be allowed to work in a more flexible way, but I have to confess to feeling resentment in the past when I have been expected to carry the shortfall for a colleague who is constantly missing deadlines because of yet another domestic disaster. But that resentment would disappear if I knew that those women were at home but actually working. And herein lies the problem: anyone who has ever tried to work from home *when dependants are running around* knows that you get about a fifth of it done and end up exhausted to boot.

5- Men working from home are unlikely to be doing telesales, sticking envelopes or taking in ironing, as many female homeworkers do. They are more likely to be middle-class professionals such as

writers or web designers. Men have a tendency to shut the study door and tell the kids to keep the noise down and if there is any trouble, to "wait till your mother gets home".

6- There is no question that men working from home are afforded more respect than their female counterparts. It would be unlikely that dad would be interrupted by his partner to ask him what is for dinner. Women working from home are often thought to be earning "pin money" or only in part-time employment.

7- Working from home can also be unsafe for women. In 1998 Barclays bank, mindful of the significant increase in women setting up businesses from home, conducted a survey on homeworking women and found that two-thirds of women had clients who visited them, but only a third ensured that somebody else was there when clients called.

8- I choose not to work at home unless I absolutely have to. Because I have no need to dress or travel to the office, I have saved at least an hour, which I use to check Facebook, Twitter and the status of my Amazon orders. I then buckle down to work, but remember the crucially important documentary being broadcast that evening. Realize that there is only 13% of recording space left. Go wild, deleting all the rubbish before spending another 30 minutes sending apologetic emails to my partner for deleting the entire unwatched series of Downton Abbey. It is only 11 am and I do not even have children to distract me. Mothers, do yourself a favor, find a garden shed or an office-share rather than working from home. At least then you will know when one job ends and another begins.

Julie Bindel

Guardian.com UK, Friday 11 November 2011

Part A- READING COMPREHENSION (30 marks)

I- Select the sentence that best relates to the text: (1mark)

- 1- In the United Kingdom, telework has been found to be a failing new system of work.
- 2- Given its numerous benefits, women are expected to be the first telecommuters in the United Kingdom.
- 3- Working from home is a hell of a job, especially for mothers.

II- Mention 4 reasons that make women in general love to do work from home (4marks)

III- Say whether the following statements are true or false and justify from the passage: (4marks)

- 1- Women have always been eager to adjust work to their own wishes.
- 2- As the writer's kids are always hanging around, she struggles to finish her paid work.

IV- Answer the following questions with reference to the article:

- 1- What are the drawbacks that female homeworkers may encounter when they are carers? (1.5mark)
a/ b/ c/

- 2- In addition to being carers, what are the other house chores female homeworkers are supposed to do? (2marks) a/ b/ c/ d/

V- Complete the following sentences with reference to the passage: (4marks)

- 1- The report revealed that telework as a new trend in the United Kingdom doesn't involve ...(a)... but if extended, that would be ...(b)...
- 2- The writer felt ...(a)... when she was obliged to do other people's jobs in office. Yet, she realized that women at home ...(b)...

VI- Select the correct option: (2marks)

- 1- When working from home, men do not experience the same strain as women because they are:
(a) focused exclusively on their work (b) resistant and enduring (c) helped by their own children
- 2- Researchers claim that by the turn of the millennium there was a remarkable rise in:
(a) the tasks that women are confronted with at home (b) the number of women creating their enterprise (c) the money earned by women

VII- Read through the text and pick out 7 words that reveal the position of the writer with regard to working from home (3.5marks)

VIII- Explain the following: (2marks)

- 1- more trouble than it's worth (§1) 2- when dependants are running around (§4)

IX- What do the underlined words in the text refer to: (3marks)

- 1- this (§ 3) 2- it (§4) 3- there (§7)

X- Look for words in the text that have approximately the same meaning as: (3marks)

- 1- latest dates (§4) 2- general study (§7) 3- divert the attention (§8)

Part B- LANGUAGE (30 marks)

I- Put the bracketed words in the right tense or form: (10marks)

Farea, 22 and her sister Tala, 16 [1] (**find**) on the banks of the Hudson River last week, with no visible signs of trauma, dressed all in black, with fur- [2] (**trim**) coat collars, and [3] (**bind**) together at the ankles and waist by duct tape. It [4] (**since/emerge**) that the sisters were Saudi nationals, and [5] (**run**) away several times from their family's home in Virginia. They [6] (**place**) in a shelter but left Fairfax County in August and set out for New York. A witness [7] (**report**) saw the two girls early on October 24 on a playground near the Hudson, where they appeared [8] (**pray**). Suicide is among the hypotheses as to the cause of deaths. According to Fatimah Baeshen, spokeswoman for Saudi Arabia's US embassy in Washington, details are still under [9] (**investigate**) and [10] (**share**) in due course.

II- Select the appropriate option: (10marks)

The Earth's climate has changed [1] (**within- throughout- allover**) history. Just in the last 650,000 years there have been seven cycles of glacial advance and retreat, with the [2] (**urgent- abrupt- swift**) end of the last ice age about 7,000 years ago marking the beginning of the modern climate [3] (**era- area- time**) and of human civilization. Most of these climate changes are [4] (**determined- accounted- attributed**) to very small variations in Earth's orbit that change the amount of solar energy our planet receives. The current warming [5] (**trend- perspective- angle**) is of particular

significance because most of it is extremely likely (greater than 95 percent probability) to be the result of human activity since the mid-20th century and [6] (**processing- proceeding- preceding**) at a rate that is [7] (**unequal- unheard- unprecedented**) over decades to millennia. Earth-orbiting satellites and other technological advances have [8] (**engaged- enabled- entailed**) scientists to see the big picture, collecting many different types of information about our planet and its climate on a global [9] (**scale- amount- bulk**). This body of data, collected over many years, [10] (**discovers- reveals- derives**) the signals of a changing climate.

III- Express differently starting as given on the answer sheet (10marks)

- 1- In many parts of Africa, people don't eat enough food.
- 2- I suddenly realized that my neighbor was watching me.
- 3- The old man didn't have the strength to lift the heavy box.
- 4- It's a pity I didn't see the film last night.
- 5- My friend suggested we spent the night there.
- 6- She started working in that factory two years ago.
- 7- I didn't see the red light that's why I didn't stop.
- 8- There will be someone to meet you on arrival.
- 9- Young people scarcely read books today.
- 10- We know the Industrial Revolution took place in England.

C – WRITING (20 MARKS)

I- Correct the mistakes. There is ONE mistake in each sentence: (2.5marks)

- 1- Polar storms are among the most vicious whether systems on our planet.
- 2- Rural people find it difficult to cope about new living conditions in the city.
- 3- The Titanic stroke an iceberg on April 14, 1912.
- 4- He's been in England for more than ten years and still couldn't speak a word of English.
- 5- Provided working hard, they will succeed.

II- Re-arrange to obtain a coherent paragraph (2.5marks)

- a- and the country's copper mines
- b- in the Chilean capital of Santiago on Wednesday
- c- but there were no immediate reports of damage or injuries,
- d- were not affected
- e- a strong earthquake shook buildings

III- ESSAY (15marks)

Given the present disastrous environmental situation, which measures should be taken (by governments, organizations, individuals...) to raise people's awareness? Write a 15-line essay where you mention solid arguments.

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Epreuve de : ANGLAIS (ANSWER SHEET)

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- 2-
- 3-
- 4-

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Part B- Language (30 marks)

I - Put in the right tense or form: (10 marks)

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II- Select the appropriate option: (10marks)

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III- Express differently starting as given: (keep the same meaning) (10marks)

- 1- In many parts of Africa, people are.....
- 2- I suddenly realized that I by my neighbor.
- 3- The old man wasn't.....
- 4- I wish
- 5- "How"? said my friend.
- 6- She has for two years.
- 7- If I
- 8- When you
- 9- Scarcely
- 10- The Industrial Revolution is

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Part C- Writing (20 marks)

I- Correct the mistakes (2.5 marks)

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II- Re-order to obtain a coherent paragraph: (write the corresponding letters) (2.5marks)

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III- Essay: (15marks)

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