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SESSION 2023

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SERIE A1 - Coefficient : 4

SERIE A2 - Coefficient : 2

Durée : 3 h

# LANGUE VIVANTE 1 : ANGLAIS

SERIES : A1-A2

*Cette épreuve comporte quatre (04) pages numérotées 1/4, 2/4, 3/4 et 4/4.*

**PART ONE : READING**

40%

*Read the text below and do all the tasks that follow it.*

## How Technology Eased Buhari's Path To Power In Nigeria

Technology played a decisive role in helping Muhammadu Buhari become the first Nigerian to oust a sitting president at the ballot box, from social media campaigning to biometric machines preventing the widespread rigging that marred past polls.

5 Three decades after seizing power in a military coup, part of the 72 years old former general's appeal to the electorate in Africa's biggest economy lay in his successful rebranding as a man who embraced democracy. A good deal of that rebranding happened online, where campaigning from smartphones can build momentum at low cost.

10 "The digital strategy has been a lifeline of the campaign for young people. "There were a lot of discussions on their *Facebook* pages, but I am not sure that really influenced me," said Endurance Dauda, 24, a student in the northern city of Kaduna, who said many of her friends are not online. While not everyone was convinced the online methods swung their vote, the potential is hard to argue with.

15 Africa's most populous nation with 170 million inhabitants has some of the world's highest levels of mobile phone ownership. There are 127 million mobile phone subscriptions in Nigeria, the International Telecommunications Union says. "In the last four years it has become a lot easier and cheaper to get the Internet on your phone. It isn't exclusive anymore," Williams said, arguing that going online is no longer a luxury, despite most Nigerians living on less than \$2 a day.

20 Defeated president Goodluck Jonathan's team also used social media, including *YouTube* videos highlighting Buhari's autocratic past and facets of Jonathan's life. In one, he was seen exercising with a personal trainer and playing squash. But possibly more significant than the online campaigning was the use of biometric machines to identify voters, which prevented the ballotbox stuffing and multiple voting that characterised past polls.

25 "The card reader played a constructive role in deterring individuals who, in the past, have tampered with the electoral process either through ballot stuffing or tampering with the election results," said Dr Christopher Fomunyoh, of the National Democratic Institute for International Affairs, a nongovernmental organization that promotes democracy. As a result, this election was judged Nigeria's freest and fairest election yet.

When Buhari got the call from Jonathan conceding defeat, Williams used his phone to capture the moment and share the image on *Twitter* and *Instagram*.

By Alexis Akwagyiram, ABUJA (Reuters), *news.yahoo.com*

**Foot-notes:**

*ballot box = l'urne*

*rigging = fraud*

## COMPREHENSION CHECK

### A. Vocabulary

Find in the text the words or expressions corresponding to the following meanings or definitions. The indicated lines will help you. Write your answers like in the example.

*Example: 1. = oust*

1. defeat (Line 2)
2. spoiled (Line 3)
3. votes (Line 3)
4. change (Line 6)
5. impacted (Line 11)
6. possession (Line 14)
7. stressing (Line 19)
8. filling (Line 22)
9. discouraging (Line 23)
10. interfered (Line 24)
11. accepting, recognizing (Line 28)

### B. Comprehension

Choose the right option for each statement or question about the text. Write your answers like in the example. *Example: 1-C*

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Which of the following best summarizes the main idea of the text?<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. Elections in Africa.</li><li>b. The defeat of Muhammadu Buhari in Nigerian elections</li><li>c. The key role of Technology for free and fair elections in Nigeria</li><li>d. The role of the youth in Nigerian elections</li></ol></li><li>2. Buhari won the elections thanks to<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. marred polls</li><li>b. ballot boxes</li><li>c. Technology</li><li>d. past polls</li></ol></li><li>3. Buhari came to power by a military coup<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. ten years ago</li><li>b. twenty years ago</li><li>c. five years ago</li><li>d. thirty years ago</li></ol></li><li>4. Buhari's success was based on<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. his enthusiastic electorate</li><li>b. his democratic image</li><li>c. his image momentum</li><li>d. his autocratic image</li></ol></li></ol> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>5. The youth was<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. outside the digital strategy</li><li>b. the main objective of the digital strategy</li><li>c. not involved in the digital strategy</li><li>d. <del>was</del> ignored in the digital strategy</li></ol></li><li>6. The young people<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. were divided over the impact of Technology on the elections</li><li>b. agreed on the impact of Technology on the elections</li><li>c. disapproved of the impact of Technology on the elections</li><li>d. were indifferent to the impact of Technology on the elections</li></ol></li><li>7. With 127 million mobile phones, Nigeria is<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. one of the countries with the highest ownership of mobile phones</li><li>b. the country with the highest ownership of mobile phones</li><li>c. the country with the lowest ownership of mobile phones</li><li>d. one of the countries with the lowest ownership of mobile phones</li></ol></li><li>8. The Internet in Nigeria has become<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. a luxury</li><li>b. the privilege of a few people</li><li>c. an accessible tool</li><li>d. an exclusive possession</li></ol></li></ol> |
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<p>9. Goodluck Jonathan's campaign team</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>only stressed the autocratic side of Buhari</li> <li>only stressed the good side of Jonathan</li> <li>stressed the economic failure of Buhari</li> <li>stressed Jonathan's life and Buhari's past governance</li> </ol> <p>10. According to paragraph 5, what helped prevent fraud was</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>online campaign</li> <li>biometric machines</li> <li>ballot boxes</li> <li>the polls</li> </ol>	<p>11. The card reader</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>helped people cheat</li> <li>discouraged people from cheating</li> <li>did not influence the results of the elections</li> <li>stuffed the ballots</li> </ol>
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**PART TWO : LANGUAGE IN USE**

30%

A. Read the passage below about digital technology and complete it with the right word from the box to make it meaningful. One word is not concerned. Write your answers like in the example.

Example: (1) = convenient

safe	convenient	effective	boosting	run	resolved
create	privacy	increase	evidence	prevent	tests

Studying Blockchain Technology and its potential use in fighting fraud, strengthening cybersecurity, and securing voting, I see signs that blockchain-based voting could make it more (1) ... for people to vote, thereby (2) ... voter participation. And blockchain system can be (3) ... at strengthening the security of devices, networks, and critical systems such as electricity grids, as well as protecting personal (4) ... The few small-scale tests (5) ... so far have identified problems and vulnerabilities in the digital systems and government administrative procedures. That must be (6) ... before blockchain-based voting can be considered (7) ... and trustworthy. Therefore, I don't see clear (8) ... that it can (9) ... or even detect fraud.

Early results show that Blockchain systems may (10) ... voter participation, though it's not yet clear why. Many of the (11) ... have been for informal ballots, such as student government groups and community projects.

[www.fastcompany.com](http://www.fastcompany.com).

B. Read the text "Digital Technology in elections" and complete it with the right options between brackets. Example: 1. the

**Digital Technology in elections**

Digital Technology brings greater efficiency in many walks of life and elections are no exceptions. Online databases hugely facilitate (1 **the-a-an-one**) task of creating and managing accurate (2 **but-and-or-so**) up-to-date electoral rolls. In less developed countries, (3 **which-that-whose-who**) citizens often lack reliable identity documents, biometric technology (4 **be able to-can't-won't be able to-can**) help to identify voters, thus (5 **prevent-prevented-prevents-preventing**) fraud in the form of multiple voting. However, (6 **for-into-with-at**) some aspects of election management, digitalization is more controversial. Electronic voting machines count votes (7 **quick-quickly-quicker-less quick**) and accurately. Firstly, (8 **using-user-used-uses**) in the United States, they have spread to several Latin American and Asian countries. However, the intangible nature (9 **of-for-at-on**) digital processes makes detecting tampering more difficult; (10 **due to-as a result-as soon as-moreover**), most European countries are sticking to tried (11 **but-or-and-then**) trusted conventional paper ballots.

[www.europarl.europa.eu/thinktank/](http://www.europarl.europa.eu/thinktank/)

Do only one of the two tasks. (*Not more than 25 lines*)

**Task A**

After reading the article “How Technology eased Buhari’s path to power in Nigeria,” you decide to publish a post on *Facebook* to congratulate the Nigerian electoral committee for the success of their elections. In your post,

- state the objective of your message,
- mention the elements that you like in the organization of the elections,
- make a reflection on how this can benefit other African countries.

**Task B**

After the elections in Nigeria, the American Ambassador said, “Deciding to go Hitech was the right thing to do.” In other words, using technology in elections is a good thing.

Do you agree with the US Ambassador? Give your opinion in an essay. In your writing,

- give the advantages and disadvantages of Technology in elections,
- suggest conditions for a successful use of Technology in elections.
- state your personal opinion about the use of Technology in elections.

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EPREUVE : ... ANGLAIS LV1 ... DATE : 06-07-2023 ... HEURE : 1h30

CORRIGE ET BAREME

SERIE(S) : A1-A2

CORRIGE	BAREME
TEXT: HOW TECHNOLOGY EASED BUHARI'S PATH TO POWER IN NIGERIA	
<u>PART ONE: READING</u>	40%
<u>A - VOCABULARY (2 pts each)</u>	
2 - marred	
3 - polls	
4 - rebranding	
5 - swung	
6 - ownership	
7 - highlighting	
8 - stuffing	
9 - deterring	
10 - tampered or tampered with	
11 - conceding	
<u>B - COMPREHENSION (2 pts each)</u>	
2 - C	
3 - d	
4 - b	
5 - b	
6 - a	
7 - a	
8 - C	
9 - d	
10 - b	
11 - b	

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CORRIGE	BAREME
<p><u>PART TWO : LANGUAGE IN USE</u></p>	<p>30 %</p>
<p>A Example - 1 - Convenient</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. (Example)</li> <li>2. boasting</li> <li>3. effective</li> <li>4. privacy</li> <li>5. run</li> <li>6. resolved</li> <li>7. safe</li> <li>8. evidence</li> <li>9. present</li> <li>10. increase</li> <li>11. tests.</li> </ol>	<p>(15pts each)</p>
<p>B. Example - 1. the</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. (Example)</li> <li>2. and</li> <li>3. whose</li> <li>4. can</li> <li>5. preventing</li> <li>6. for</li> <li>7. quickly</li> <li>8. used</li> <li>9. of</li> <li>10. as a result</li> <li>11. and</li> </ol>	<p>(15pts each)</p>
<p><u>PART THREE : WRITING</u></p>	<p>30%</p>
<p><u>TASK A : Writing a post</u></p>	
<p><u>I / General Remarks</u></p>	
<p>Candidates have to write a "post" on Facebook to congratulate the Nigerian electoral committee for the success of the elections in Nigeria.</p>	

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CORRIGE	BAREME
<p><u>Note</u>: There is no particular layout to consider.</p>	
<p><u>II. Marking Criteria</u></p>	
<p>1. <u>Relevance</u>: the candidate deals with the topic.</p>	(2 pts)
<p>2. <u>Mechanics of writing</u>: punctuation, capitalization and spelling</p>	(4 pts)
<p>3. <u>Content of the post</u>: it must include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ Complementing words / expressions (Congratulations on, I'm glad...)</li> <li>→ Good elements in the organization of the elections (fighting fraud, multiple voting, ballot box stuffing, etc...)</li> <li>→ How other countries can benefit from technology in their elections (invest in the technological equipment, train human resources, etc...)</li> </ul>	(12 pts)
<p>4. <u>Correctness of language</u>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- correct grammar</li> <li>- appropriate vocabulary</li> </ul>	(7 pts)

CORRIGE	BAREME
<p>5. Cohesion and Coherence : use of linking words and logical organization of ideas.</p>	<p>(5 pts)</p>
<p><u>TASK B</u>: Writing an Opinion Essay</p>	<p>30%</p>
<p><u>I / General Remarks</u></p>	
<p>The expected piece of writing is an opinion essay. <u>However</u>, on the one hand, if a candidate follows / respects the given guidelines, he should deserve the points. On the other hand, if a candidate introduces his/her opinion and then develops appropriate arguments, he/she shouldn't be penalized.</p>	
<p><u>II / Marking Criteria</u></p>	
<p>1. <u>Layout</u> : introduction, body and -conclusion.</p>	<p>(6 pts)</p>
<p>2. <u>Relevance</u> : the candidate deals with the topic.</p>	<p>(2 pts)</p>
<p>3. <u>Mechanics of writing</u> : punctuation, -capitalization and spelling.</p>	<p>(3 pts)</p>

CORRIGE	BAREME
<p><u>Writing an opinion essay (ctd)</u></p>	
<p>4. <u>Content of the writing</u> : it must include :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- a topic sentence</li> <li>- supporting sentences (advantages, disadvantages, suggestions)</li> <li>- concluding statement (personal opinion about the use of technology in elections).</li> </ul>	<p>(10 pts)</p>
<p>5. <u>Correctness of language</u> :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- correct grammar</li> <li>- appropriate vocabulary</li> </ul>	<p>(4 pts)</p>
<p>6. <u>Cohesion and Coherence</u> : linking words and logical organization of ideas.</p>	<p>(5 pts)</p>