

BACCALAUREAT BLANC

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SÉRIE A1 - Coefficient : 4

SÉRIE A2 - Coefficient : 2

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ANGLAIS : LANGUE VIVANTE 1

SÉRIES A1 et A2

*Cette épreuve comporte trois (03) pages numérotées 1/3; 2/3 et 3/3.**Le candidat test libre de commencer par la composition de son choix.**Cependant, il devra numéroté ses réponses conformément à la numérotation du sujet.*

Do all the activities of this examination paper on your answer sheet.

PART ONE : READING

(40%)

*Read the text below and do the tasks that follow.***SPACE EXPLORATION**

The universe has always fascinated humans since time immemorial. Ancient humans looked up the sky and wondered about the sun, the moon, and the stars, and they came up with myths and legends to explain the presence of these celestial bodies. Early scientists gave their theories about these bodies and, although many of them were incorrect (some thought, for example, that the sun revolved around the earth), they set the foundation for modern scientific thought.

As decades passed by and humans developed better technology, they set their sights on exploring the vastness of space. They eventually succeeded in 1969, when Apollo 11 landed on the moon and astronaut Neil Armstrong became the first person to walk on the moon's surface.

Since then, space exploration has become a priority among many scientists and governments, and a lot of time, money, and energy have been spent on space missions to learn more about the universe.

There's no doubt that space exploration has several positive effects, but a lot of people argue that it also comes with its own drawbacks. To understand the two sides of this argument, it's important to know about the advantages and disadvantages of space exploration.

Undoubtedly, space exploration has answered the question of whether the Earth is round or not and proved that the Earth does revolve around the sun (and not the other way around). But it does much more than that: it gives people a deeper insight about the universe and provides them with more information about the world they live in.

It can't be denied that space exploration puts astronauts' lives in danger. In fact, many accidents have happened over the years and have resulted in numerous injuries and even deaths. The Apollo 1 manned mission, for example, ended when its crew members were killed in a cabin fire as they conducted a launch rehearsal test. The Challenger space shuttle exploded less than two minutes after liftoff, killing all of its seven crew members.

Space exploration is one of the biggest achievements of humans as a whole, and it has paved the way to greater scientific understanding and many technological advancement over the years. However, it can't be denied that it also has several drawbacks. That's why governments and scientists should find a balance between the advantages and disadvantages as soon as possible.

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COMPREHENSION CHECK

A/ Vocabulary check

Match the words or phrases in Column A with their synonyms or meanings in Column B.
Write your answers like in the example.

Example: 10 - h

COLUMN A

1. Immemorial (L.1)
2. Celestial (L.3)
3. Revolved (L.5)
4. Set their sights on (L.7)
5. Vastness (L.8)
6. Argue (L.13)
7. Undoubtedly (L.16)
8. Insight (L.18)
9. Manned (L.22)
10. Rehearsal (L.23)
11. Balance (L.28)

COLUMN B

- a) equilibrium
- b) hoped strongly to achieve or reach
- c) extraterrestrial ; relating to the sky
- d) certainly
- e) give reasons for or against something
- f) having a human crew
- g) from a time so long ago that it cannot be remembered
- h) practice session, trial performance
- i) immenseness
- j) went round, turned round, rotated
- k) perception, awareness, discernment, understanding

B/ True / False statements

Decide whether the following statements are true (T) or false (F) according to the text. Then justify your answer by quoting the line(s) of the text. Write your answers like in the example.

Example: 1- False (Lines 1-2)

1. Humans have never tried to discover what is beyond the Earth's atmosphere.
2. Early scientists' theories about celestial bodies were all true.
3. Humans finally succeeded in exploring the universe.
4. After 1969, many scientists and governments decided to abandon space exploration.
5. Space exploration has solved the question of which of the Earth or the sun revolves around the other.
6. Space exploration has also permitted humans to learn more about universe.
7. Space exploration has advantages as well as disadvantages.
8. Astronauts cannot die during a space mission.
9. No accidents happened during launch tests.
10. The Challenger space shuttle exploded in the air.
11. Space exploration has greatly contributed to humans' down fall.

PART TWO: LANGUAGE IN USE 30 (20%)

A- The text below is about space exploration. Complete it with the appropriate word from the bank words. Write your answers like this: I = seen

Seen-conducted-is-carried-allowed-exploring-ensuring-become-evolving-growing-collected-deleted-recorded

Saturn V rocket, used for the American manned lunar landing missions.

The Moon as (1) in a digitally processed image from data (2) during a spacecraft fly by Space exploration (3) the ongoing discovery and exploration of celestial structures in outer space by means of continuously (4) and (5) space technology. While the study of space is (6) unmanned robotic space probes and human spaceflight. While the observation of objects in space, known as astronomy, predates reliable (7) history, it was the development of large and relatively efficient rockets during the mid-twentieth century that (8) physical space exploration to (9) a reality. Common rationales for (10) space include advancing scientific research, national prestige, uniting different nations, (11) the future survival of humanity, and developing military and strategic advantages against other countries.

B- Choose the right preposition to complete the text below. Nº.11= of, is an example.
NB: Some prepositions can be used more than once.

In-on-to-often-of-about-to-by-for-into-along-with-unto-

Space exploration has often been used as a proxy competition (1) geopolitical rivalries such (2) the Cold War. The early era (3) space exploration was driven (4) a "Space Race" between the Soviet Union and the United States. The launch (5) the first human-made object (6) orbit Earth, the Soviet Union's Sputnik 1, on 4 October 1957, and the first Moon landing by the American Apollo 11 mission (7) 20 July 1969 are (8) taken as landmarks (9) this initial period. The Soviet Space Program achieved many of the first milestones, including the first living being (10) orbit in 1957, the first human spaceflight (Yuri Gagarin aboard Vostok 1) in 1961, the first spacewalk (by Aleksei Leonov) (11) 18 March 1965, the first automatic landing on another celestial body in 1966, and the launch (of) the first space station (Salyut 1) in 1971.

PART THREE: WRITING 40%

DO ONLY ONE OF THE TWO TASKS BELOW (20 – 25 lines)

TASK 1:

An international student said: « Space programmes are not important. They are a threat to mankind. The large sums of money devoted to them should be used to improve social conditions. » Do you agree or disagree with such a statement? Write a presentation to be published in the English Club magazine of your school, developing a clear position with strong arguments.

TASK 2:

More and more countries are developing nuclear weapons and carrying out nuclear tests. Write an article for the English Club of your school to inform students about the dangers and propose a solution.

You may use some of these ideas:

- Brief definition of nuclear weapons and examples of countries which have nuclear tests
- Constant menace to mankind because of conflicting interests
- Fear of destruction of human race
- Necessity of Armament Limitation Talks.

family planning contraceptive for some time, women often don't fall (7)..... immediately when they need to," ZNFPC further explains. However, the short time lag (mostly 3 months and less) resulting in delayed (8)... happens as a result of hormonal re-adjustments as the human body flushes its system. This mostly clears immediately within three months or less and one can get pregnant again soon after. Some (9)..... do not experience these delays at all. It is not true that family (10)..... is culturally abominable, and is a (11)..... apostasy.

B-Complete the following sentences with the correct forms of the verb between brackets. Example
I have

- 1- Would you rather fresh coffee or instant? (has/have/having/had)
- 2- I think I willa visit to the hairdresser (paid/pay/paying/pays)
- 3- My parents.....lot of photographs of us when we were small. (take/takes/taking/took)
- 4- Bini in Bondoukou two years ago. (lived/ has lived/had lived)
- 5- He admitted that he had an error. (Made/makes/ make/ making)
- 6- Now you know all the facts, you cana choice(Made/makes/ make/ making)
- 7- Whatyou do if someone slapped you? (will /has/would/have)
- 8- Friends and relatives come totheir last respect to Mandela. (paid/pay/paying/pays)
- 9- When I arrived to school the teacher was in the classroom. The lesson
 (started/ has started /had started)
- 10- I(woke up/ wake up/has woken up) late yesterday.
- 11- When I pass my examination, I..... (will/ would /should) go to the university.

PART THREE: WRITTING

40%

Do only one of the two tasks below. Do not exceed 25 lines

Task A

During an interview on CNN, a young African asserted: " We migrate to Europe because there is no hope in Africa".

Do you share this opinion?

Task B

As a journalist you have noticed the sufferings the African migrants endure on their way to Europe.

Write an article to sensitize Africans to the dangers of irregular migration.

These ideas may help you:

- can be victims of attacks, thefts, diseases and ill – treatments...
- can have problems of accommodation and documentation...