

Durée: 3 h **LANGUE VIVANTE 1: ANGLAIS**

BACCALAUREAT BLANCSERIE A1 – A2 Coefficient: 2

Do all the activities on your answer sheets by reading and following carefully the instructions given.

PART ONE: READING (40 %)

Read the text and do all the activities that follow.

Boko Haram attacks key Nigerian city of Maiduguri

Nigerian Islamist Boko Haram fighters have attacked the strategically important north-eastern city of Maiduguri. People in Maiduguri woke up to the sound of explosions and heavy gunfire as Boko Haram launched a pre-dawn attack on this strategic city. Ground troops, air strikes and local vigilantes managed to stop the jihadists from penetrating the city.

5 Boko Haram, which means "Western education is forbidden" in the Hausa language, launched guerrilla operations in 2009 to create an Islamic state. Thousands of people have been killed throughout the insurgency, mostly in north-eastern Nigeria. Maiduguri is the birthplace of Boko Haram and has been attacked many times in the five-year Islamic insurgency that killed 10,000 people last year.

10 With the insurgents gaining more and more territory, Maiduguri is increasingly vulnerable. It is home to tens of thousands of people who have fled their homes because of the conflict. Fierce fighting has been reported on the outskirts of Maiduguri. A curfew remains in place and dozens of militants and soldiers are reported to have been killed.

Human rights group Amnesty International has warned that hundreds of thousands of civilians are now "at grave risk". The streets of Maiduguri were almost deserted after the imposition of a curfew on Sunday.

15 The multiple attacks come as U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry visited Lagos, Nigeria's commercial capital, to encourage peaceful elections on Feb. 14 in Africa's most populous country. Mr. Kerry is in Nigeria to show solidarity in the fight against Boko Haram, which has increased its attacks in recent days.

20 Militants also attacked Monguno, 140km (86 miles) north of Maiduguri. The army there was reported to have been overwhelmed, with houses set on fire. A journalist in Maiduguri told the BBC that fleeing soldiers from Monguno were now arriving at the barracks in Maiduguri. And there is distrust of Nigeria's military, which many believe is infiltrated by Boko Haram at the highest levels.

25 In his Lagos talks, Mr. Kerry urged President Goodluck Jonathan and the main opposition's presidential candidate, former military ruler Muhammadu Buhari, not to condone violence during what is expected to be a tense election campaign, "We are prepared to do more [to counter the Boko Haram threat] but our ability to do more will depend to some degree on the full measure of credibility, accountability, transparency and peacefulness of this election," Mr. Kerry said.

By: Haruna Umar, The Associated Press, Published on Sunday, January 25, 2015

COMPREHENSION CHECK

A- Each of the following definitions and meanings refer to a word or expression in the text. Find the corresponding words or expressions and write them down. **Example:9- distrust**

- 1- People who organize themselves to protect their community and to catch and punish criminals(line 3)
- 2- An attempt by a group of people to remove the government by force (line 8)
- 3- Weak and without protection (line 9)
- 4- Parts of a city or town that are far from its centre (line 11)
- 5- A law ordering people to stay people to stay inside their houses after a particular time at night (line 11)
- 6- Tell people about a possible danger or problem, so that they are aware of it. (line 13)
- 7- Gain control over a group.(line 20)
- 8- Building where members of the armed forces live (line 21)
- 9- To think someone is not honest or reliable (line 21)
- 10- To try hard to persuade someone (line 23)
- 11- To accept something and allow it to happen (line 24)

B- Say whether these statements are true or false according to the text. Write (T) for true and (F) for false before each statement and give the line(s) to justify your choice.

Example: 1-F (L1)

- 1-Boko Haram is Syrian Islamist group.
- 2-Maiduguri is a southern city in Nigeria.
- 3-Boko Haram's intention is to create a secular state.
- 4-For Amnesty International the lives of civilians in Maiduguri are in danger.
- 5- After the curfew the streets of Maiduguri were overcrowded.
- 6-According to the BBC reporter, The Nigerian soldiers are fleeing Boko Haram's fighters.
- 7-Nigerian soldiers cannot resist to Boko Haram because there are many infiltrations.
- 8-Mr John Kerry is the UN secretary-general
- 9-Mr John Kerry is in Nigeria to show solidarity in the fight against Boko Haram.
- 10- Mr John Kerry asked presidential candidates to reject violence during the elections.
- 11-The Nigerian presidential election is scheduled for March 18, 2015.

PART TWO: WRITING

(40 %)

Choose **only one** of the two writing tasks below and do it. (*Not more than 25 lines*)

TASK A

As a member of your English Club of your school, write an article that will be published in your magazine where you show why it is difficult to eradicate terrorism in the world. You may like to use the following points:

- Many countries involved.
- Diversity of forms of terrorism.
- Diversity of weapons used.
- Terrorists ready to sacrifice their lives.
- The enemies are invisible.
- A lot of money involved.

TASK B

Child abduction is becoming more and more important in your country, with 25 children abducted within a month last year according to authorities. For International Child Day, and as a representative of UNICEF responsible for protecting children, write a letter to the Minister of National Security to:

- Denounce this cruel phenomenon
- Propose ways of eradicating it.

*Address: Minister of National Security

P.O Box 1018

Abidjan 18

A- Choose the most appropriate words from the box below to fill in the numbered gaps of the text below. Write down your answers on your sheet like this: **11-lives**.

Homes, chance, refugees, young, period, cleansing, accomplishment, streets, despite, war, lives

The Law of Revenge Rules

The west fought the 1.....in Kosovo for the right reasons and 2.....all the moral and operational ambiguities of the bombing campaign, fought it successfully. The return of the Kosovar to their 3.....is a tremendous 4..... For the first time in post-cold war 5.....period, ethnic 6.....was reversed. There’s something magical and heartening about walking through the 7.....of Pristina, Kosovo’s capital and seeing 8.....people who grew up fearful in a Serb police state finally getting a 9.....to behave like normal teenagers. And in the countryside, returning 10.....building their homes and 11.....with impressive speed.

By David Rieff, Co-editor of “Crimes of War: What The Public Should Know” *Newsweek*, August 23, 1999

B)Find out the suitable word from the box and complete it with the correct sentence.

Palace, barracks, cell, web, sty, igloo, nest, stable, kennel, hive, monastery,

Example: 11- monastery

- 1- A spider lives in a
- 2- A dog lives in a
- 3- A prisoner lives in a
- 4- A king lives in a
- 5- A soldier lives in a
- 6- A pig lives in a
- 7- A bird lives in a
- 8- An Eskimo lives in a
- 9- A bee lives in a.....
- 10- A horse lives in a
- 11- A monk lives in a.....

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PART ONE: READING

(40 %)



A) 20 Pts. (2Pts each)

1. vigilantes
2. insurgency
3. vulnerable
4. outskirts
5. curfew
6. warned
7. overwhelmed
8. barracks
9. EXAMPLE
10. urged
11. condone

B) 20 Pts (2Pts each/ 1pt for True and 1pt for False)

- 1-EXAMPLE
- 2-F (L1-2)
- 3-F (L 6)
- 4-T (L13-14)
- 5- F (L14)
- 6- T (L20-21)
- 7- T (L22)
- 8- F(L16)
- 9- T (L17-18)
- 10- T (L23-24)
- 11- F (L17)

(40 %)

PART TWO: WRITING

TASK A: WRITING AN ARTICLE

- 1-Title 5pts
- 2-Introduction 5pts
- 3-Communication 20pts
- 4-Correctness of language 10pts

TASK B: WRITING A FORMAL LETTER

- 1- Layout of the letter 10 pts.
- 2- Introduction or point of the letter 5pts
- 3-Communication 20pts
- 4- Correctness of language 5pts

PART THREE: LANGUAGE IN USE

20%

A- 10 pts (1pt each)

- 1- War
- 2- Despite
- 3- Homes
- 4- Accomplishment
- 5- Period
- 6- Cleansing
- 7- Streets
- 8- Young
- 9- Chance
- 10- Refugees

B- 10 pts Gaps (1pt each)

- 1- web
- 2- kennel
- 3- cell
- 4- palace
- 5- barracks
- 6- sty
- 7- nest
- 8- igloo
- 9- hive
- 10- stale

