

ENGLISH**LEVEL : 1^{ière} G and Tle G2***This test has TWO (02) pages. Each exercise is independent.***LEADERS DISCUSS A SINGLE MARKET FOR AFRICA
AND THE NEED FOR PEACE AND STABILITY**

African Heads of State attending the 50th African Development Bank Annual Meetings in Abidjan agreed on Tuesday, May 26 to support policies that can fast-track the continent's efforts towards attaining a genuine single common market for Africa to transform the lives of their people.

The “Presidential Forum on a Single Market for Africa” was opened by Ivorian *Prime Minister Daniel Kablan Duncan*, who said the continent has the numbers to sustain a robust market for intra-Africa trade. The leaders observed that although a single market for Africa sounds like a dream, it can come true in their lifetime if peace on the continent was allowed to predominate. *Liberian President E. Sirleaf* said the continent's leaders should invest more in infrastructure to connect countries and give a lifeline to the private sector to thrive. She also called for investment in skills and capacity building for Africa's young population. “Development is a gradual process. African leaders must collaborate to end wars that are ravaging the continent.”

Benin President Boni Yayi agreed with his Liberian counterpart: “We have reached a stage where we have no choice but to unite for peace, build infrastructure for our countries' interconnectivity ...” he said. President Ali Bongo of Gabon stated that “Peace around the continent is the overriding factor.” *Mozambique's President Filipe Nyusi* said: “We must remove barriers to trade such as visa rules among African countries that restrict the free movement of Africans to trade with each other.”

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VOCABULARY

<u>Attending /To fast-track</u>	:	présent (à) /propulser
<u>Genuine/To come true</u>	:	véritable / se réaliser
<u>skills / capacity building</u>	:	habiletés, aptitudes / renforcement des capacités
<u>Overriding</u>	:	primordial, dominant

QUESTIONS

I- COMPREHENSION OF THE TEXT (All the answers to the following questions are to be found in the text)

- 1) How important is a single market in the minds of the leaders of Africa?
- 2) What is the first condition to establish the single market?
- 3) Find two advantages of the common African market.
- 4) Give two other conditions suggested by the heads of states to obtain a single market.

II- ESSAY (Not more than 12 lines; about 144 words)

Do you agree with President Ali Bongo that: “ Peace around the continent is the overriding factor”? Why or why not?

III- TRANSLATE INTO FRENCH

From: “ African Heads of States...” down to “...the lives of their people”.

IV- TRANSLATE INTO ENGLISH

Selon Augustine Matata Ponyo de la RDC, le rêve d'un marché unique Africain doit émerger de l'intérieur des pays Africains.

“Il nous faut d'abord travailler à l'intégration de nos pays respectifs avant de parler d'intégration générale des Africains.”
