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level :4 th year

# The second English exam

**Text :**

Dear sam,

I'm very happy to receive your letter and to know that, you are interested in how the developing countries educational system works.

So in algeria and with the new reforms, boys and girls spend five years in the primary school- after that they take an exam which allows them to join middle school they spend four years there where at the end of the fourth year they take the brevet exam. If they get 10/20 (the average),they will be able to join the secondary school, of course there are two streams :

Literary stream and scientific one. If pupils have good results, their choice will be taken into consideration otherwise it's their results and their capacities which determine the stream they will follow . after spending three years at the secondary school, they take the baccalaureate exam.

i'm looking forward to hearing from you.

Yours, Nora

**Part one** :

**A) Reading comprehension :**

Read the text carefully and do the following activities :

**Activity one** : **choose a ,b or c to complete the following sentences.**

1- the sender of the lette ris .....
   a-Sam b-Nora c-Paul
2- The pupils spend three years in the.....school
   a-primary b-middle c-secondary
3- The BEM exam is the ..... Exam that the pupils take,
   a- First b-second c-third

**Activity two** : Fill in this diagram :

| level | How long it lasts | exam |
|---|---|---|
| Middle school ..... | ..... 3 years | ..... ..... |

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**Activity three :**

Find in the text words that are closest in meaning to the following :

**Lycee** = ..... **permits** = .....

Find in the text words that are opposite in meaning to the following :

**Old** ≠ ..... **Sad** ≠ .....

**B) Mastery of language :**

**Activity one** : Rewrite the following sentences with the correct verbs forms.

1- Her grand father used to (teaching – tought – teach) when he (was – is – will be ) younger.
2- The pen is used for ( write – writing – wrote )

**Activity two** : Supply the punctuation and the capital letters where necessary :

if karim works hard he will succeed

**Activity three** : Find in the text

1- One sentence that contains the future of can
2- One sentence that contains a relative pronoun

**Activity four** :Underline the consonant clusters

Last – School - Brevet

**Part two : Situation of integration**

Congratulation ! you have passed your BEM exam .In which stream are you going to register?
Why ?
Write about :
-the scientific or the literary stream
-to study at the university
-to be a doctor – a teacher- a scientist – a translator.

**Good luck**

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