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Level : 2ASL	December 2012
FIRST TERM ENGLISH EXAM	Timing : 03h

Text :

The societies of the past showed an exceptional respect for the people among them who had qualities. For example, they used to regard courage as a feature that no other thing could equal. Loyalty either to one`s country or the family and friends alike also acquired in their view a price that had to be honored by every member of the community. Other features like honesty, wisdom, generosity and the readiness to sacrifice one`s life for some ideal used to be worshipped individuals possessing them were much admired.

Today, important changes have affected every nation in this field. Many people think that only money is important. As a result the attitudes which have acquired the highest importance are quite different from what had a sacred nature to the past generation. Now, people view the ability to make money and achieve professional success as attributes that hold the top level in this new evaluation. The faster someone amasses material possessions and turns into a wealthy person, the more consideration he earns from people.

Moral values are often relegated into a lower position. Such a situation usually produces in the minds of the young the eagerness to put their hopes in music, sport and business because these spheres offer them much chances to get rich and famous quickly.

Part One : Reading

Comprehesion and interpretation:

A) How many sentences are there in the second paragraph?

B)Circle the general idea of the text:

a- Moral values in third world countries.

b-Moral values in the past and nowadays.

c-Moral qualities in the field of business.

C) Read the text and answer by false, true or not mentioned

1- Loyalty was a very important quality in the past.

2-People of the past used to reveal their emotions like love and kindness.

3-People today show their respect to everyone being able to make money.

D) Answer the following questions according to the text :

1-For whom the societies of the past showed their respect?

2-How did the communities of the past act with loyal people?

3-How do people today view the ability to make money?

Text exploration :

1/Vocabulary:

a-Match the words in(A) with their definitions in (B)

A	B
1-Wealthy	a-Hightest point in a structure
2-Top	b-Being known in many parts
3-Eagerness	c-Having a lot of money
4-Famous	d-Strong desire to get something

b-Complete the following table :

Noun	Adjective
Equality	.....
.....	Exceptional
.....	Ready
Capacity	.....

2/Mastery of language:

Rewrite sentence "b" so it means the same as sentence "a" (you should know where to express possibilities in the future/comparative equality/past habits/superlatives)

a-Many years ago people believed that the planet earth was the central element of the univers.

b-Many years *ago people ……..that the planet earth was the central* element of the univers .

a-People are generous today and in the past they were also generous.

b-*People today are ……..in the past.*

A- No citizens in the world are generous than Algerians.

B- *No citizens in the world are ……..*than the Algerian people.

A- Perhaps I will change my habits.

B- *Perhaps I ……. my habits (express possibility in the future)*

C-Fill in the blanks with words in order to make a meaningful passage:

eat – used to- more- the most

Eating habits in England have changed. British families.....more than half the amount of butter and sugar compared to 1980. They …….. eat less butter and sugar. As far as meat is concerned, beef is.....consumed than it used to be, and fish is .....popular staple food for the British.

b-Sound system : classify these words according to the pronunciation of the final (S)

Qualities-Features-Changes-Respects- politics- styles.

/S/	/Z/	/IZ/

Part two : Written Expression

Choose one of the following topics

topic 1 :

The UNICEF organises a competition to preserve and keep the cities of the world clear . Imagine that you represent your town. Write a short presentation where you mention:

1- A short description of your town.

2- People`s life style before and now.

3- What are the steps you are going to follow to keep it clear.

4-Invitation to visit your country and your town.

topic 2 :

Your pen*friend* " keypal" wants to visit Algiers or your town. Write a short plan of his visit.

Good Luck

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CORRECTION OF FIRST TERM ENGLISH EXAM

Level: 2ASL

Part One : Reading

Comprehension and interpretation(08pts)

A) There are 5 sentences in the second paragraph

B) The general idea of the text is about

2-Moral values in the past and nowadays..

C) Answer by false, true or not mentioned

1- Loyalty was very important quality in the past. **TRUE**

2-People of the past used to reveal their emotions like love and kindness. **NOT MENTIONED**

3-People today show their respect to everyone being able to make money. **TRUE**

D)Answering questions :

1- The societies of the past showed their respect for the people among them who had qualities like courage, honesty, generosity, loyalty, wisdom, sacrifice..

2-Loyalty was honored by every member of the community..

3-People today view the ability to make money ,the top level in this new evaluation/ The faster he amasses money the more consideration he earns from people..

Text exploration : 1/Vocabulary and Morphology:

a-Match the words in(A) with their definitions in (B)

A	B
1-Wealthy	c-Having a lot of money
2-Top	a-Highest point in a structure
3-Eagerness	d-Strong desire to get something
4-Famous	b-Being well known in many parts

b-Complete the following table :

Noun	Adjective
Equality	**equal**
Exception	Exceptional
Readiness	Ready
Capacity	**capable**

2/Grammary: (07pts)

Write the following sentences differently (you should know where to express possibilities in the future/comparative equality/past habits/comparative of superiority)

1-Many years ago people **used to** believe that the planet earth was the central element of the univers.

2-People **today** are **as** generous **as** in they were in the past .

3-No citizens in the world are more generous than the Algerian people.

4-Perhaps I will **be able to** change my habits.

3/Discours : Fill in the blanks with your own words in order to make this passage meaningful

Eating habits in England have changed. British families **eat** more than half amount of butter and sugar compared to 1980. They **used to eat** less butter and sugar. As far as meat is concerned, beef is **more** consumed now than it used to be, and fish is **the most** popular staple food for the British.

4/Sound system : classify these words according to the pronunciation of the final (S)

Qualities-Features-Changes-Respects-politics-styles.

/S/	/Z/	/ɪZ/
Respects **politics**	**features** **styles**	**qualities** **changes**

Part two : Written Expression(05pts)

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