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Middle School *School Year: 2019-2020*

Level :4MS *Duration :1h30*

FIRST TERM ENGLISH EXAM

My memorable Trip to India

We have returned from a stunning trip to India. My experience was wonderful. You can say that India is a combination of different countries: hundreds of interesting people, fascinating monuments, and delicious food.

I want to share every moment. First, our trip began in New Delhi, which is known as the heart of India. We visited all the popular tourist sites: Red Fort, Lotus Temple, etc. Then, we moved to Jodhpur. After that, we reached Jaipur, and we spent two nights there. We moved for an elephant ride at the fort. It was exciting; the fort was beautiful, and the Museum was also worth visiting. Finally, we arrived at Agra, where we saw the famous landmark "The Taj Mahal" at the time of sunrise. It was a treat to watch. It attracts 7_8 million visitors a year. I think that any tourist who visits India for the first time has to watch The Taj Mahal which was commissioned in 1632 by Shah Jahan to house the tomb of his wife, Mumtaz Mahal. It is 73m tall, and it has an area of 17 hectares. It was completed in 1653. It was designated as a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1983 for being the Jewel of Muslim Art in India and one of the admired masterpieces of the world's heritage. This fascinating monument was designed by the architect "Ustad Ahmad Lahauri"…

I wish that India will become the most famous tourist destination in the world.

Ionela

Adapted from: *https://www.tripadvisor.com/ShowTopic-g293860-i511-k6073707-*

Part one: A/Reading comprehension

Task one (03pts):Read the text and fill in the table below

Landmark	Architect	Area	Height	Period of construction	Number of visitors/year	World Heritage Site Designation in
Taj Mahal						

Task two (02pts): Read again and answer the following questions

- What tourist sites did Ionela and her friends visit in New Delhi?

- Did they move for a bicycle ride at the fort of Jodhpur?

Task three:(02pts) Lexis:

a/ Find in the text words that are closest in meaning to:

Very beautiful= very interesting=

b/Find in the text words that are opposite in meaning to:

Finished≠ last≠

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B/ Mastery of Language:

Task one(02 pts): Complete using comparative of equality and inferiority

-Taj Mahal is……..The Statue f Liberty (fascinating)

-The Statue of Liberty is……..Taj Mahal (not/ ancient).

Task two (03pts): Turn the following sentences into the passive voice.

- Taj mahal attracted millions of tourists last year.

- Many tourists visit Taj Mahal every year.

- In 1983, UNISCO listed Taj Mahal as a World Heritage Site.

Task three (02pts): Classify these words in the right column according to their diphthong sound.

- known –nights-countries- sites

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Part two (06pts): Situation of Integration

In this "**International Travel Forum**" of the" **tripadvisor.com**" website, you read Ionela's message. She wants to visit your country, and she needs some information about its famous landmarks. Write her a reply in which you describe the impressive landmark **"The Ruins of Timgad"** using the following **Fact File**

- **Use the passive voice, strong adjectives, the right pronunciation and capitalization**

Landmark : The ruins of Timgad / Thamugadi

Location : Aures mountains- Batna

Type: ancient city

Date of construction : 100 AD

Founder : Roman emperor Trajan

Reason to be built : to be a military spot to protect the roman colonies from Berber attacks

Inscribed in UNESCO World Heritage Site : 1982



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