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Saber Abdelkader Middle School - Mascara

Level: MS 4
Time: 1Hour

First Term Test

Text:

The Third Largest Mosque in the World



After seven years of construction and over $1 billion in expenses, a new mosque in Algeria is set to break new global records. The Great Mosque of Algiers or "Djamaa El Djazair" is located in El Mohammadia, Algiers. It is the third largest mosque in the world after the two Holy Mosques in Saudi Arabia.

The mosque was designed and constructed by the China State Construction Engineering Corporation (CSCEC) on August 16th, 2012. It sits on an area of 400,000 square metres and has a minaret with a height of 265 metres high that makes it the tallest building in Africa. The mosque includes a praying hall of 20, 000 square metres which can hold a capacity of 120,000 worshippers. The mosque's complex also houses a Quran school, a library, an amphitheater, staff housing area, a park, a fire station, a museum of Islamic art and a research centre dedicated to the history of Algeria.

The Great Mosque of Algiers is truly a masterpiece of art as well as an outstanding example of rich and prospering history in the religion of Islam and the country of Algeria.

Adapted from: https://themuslimtimes.info/2019/04/29/africas-largest-mosque-has-been-completed-with-thanks-to-china/

Read the text carefully and do the following activities:

Part One: (14 pts)

A/-Reading Comprehension: (07 pts)

Activity One: Complete the table with information from the text. (03 pts)

Name of the landmark	Date of construction	Location	Total surface area	Minaret's height	Capacity of worship place
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

Activity Two: Answer the following questions: (02 pts)

1- Is the Great Mosque of Algiers the largest one in the world?

2- Who built the mosque?

Activity Three: Find in the text words that are closet and opposite in meaning to the following: (02 pts)

situated = ... low ≠ .....

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B/-Mastery of Language: (07 Pts)

Activity One: Spot and correct the mistakes where necessary. (02 pts)

martyr's Memorial were designed by the algerian architect Bachir Yelles on 1981.

Activity Two: Put the verbs between brackets in the correct form. (03 pts)

1) Martyr's Memorial **(to be)** ..... a famous landmark in Algeria.
2) This massive monument tower **(to be)** ..... opened on the 20th anniversary of Algeria's independence.
3) The monument **(to be inaugurate)** ..... by the President Chadli Bendjedid in 1986.

Activity Three: Write the following words in the right box according to the pronunciation of their diphthongs. (02 pts)

high – located – design – great

/ei/	/ai/
.....	.....
.....	.....

Part Two: (06 pts)

Situation of Integration:

Your teacher of history asked you to write a short descriptive paragraph about a famous Algerian landmark. Use the following information in the fact file to write your paragraph.

Fact File:



Landmark: Martyr's Memorial
Geographical location: Algiers, Algeria
Date of construction: From November 15th, 1981 to July 05th, 1982
Architects: Bachir Yelles / Marian Konieczny
Height: 92 metres
Material: reinforced concrete
Structure: fashioned in the shape of three standing palm leaves which shelter the "Eternal Flame" beneath.
Other Facts: -It was erected on the site of an ancient military fort
- It is free to visit

Your teacher: Mr. Akram Ghaouel

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Activity Two: Answer the following questions: (02 pts)

1- *No, it is not. / No, the Great Mosque of Algiers is not the largest one in the world.*

2- *The mosque was built by the China State Construction Engineering Corporation (CSCEC).*

Activity Three: Find in the text words that are closet and opposite in meaning to the following: (02 pts)

situated = *located* low ≠ *high*

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Martyr's Memorial was designed by the Algerian architect Bachir Yelles in 1981.

Activity Two: Put the verbs between brackets in the correct form. (03 pts)

1) Martyr's Memorial *is* a famous landmark in Algeria.
2) This massive monument tower *was* opened on the 20th anniversary of Algeria's independence.
3) The monument *was inaugurated* by the President Chadli Bendjedid in 1986.

Activity Three: Write the following words in the right box according to the pronunciation of their diphthongs. (02 pts)

/ei/	/ai/
located *great*	*high* *design*

Part Two: (06 pts)

Situation of Integration:

Martyr's Memorial

The Martyr's Memorial or "Maquam Echahid" is an iconic monument located in Algiers, Algeria. It was designed by the Algerian painter "Bachir Yelles" and the Polish engineer "Marian Konieczny". This concrete monument was built in 7 months and 20 days on the site of an ancient military fort. It is fashioned in the shape of three standing palm leaves which shelter the "Eternal Flame" beneath. This monument stands 92 metres tall and has a diameter of 14 metres. It rests on an esplanade that includes the underground Natinal Museum of El Mujahid and it is free to visit. It is a truly architectural work and an attraction that gives visitors lasting memories.

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