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Abu baker karaoui high school **Time allotted**: 45 min **Name**: 3Lph

First Term Test

Read the text carefully then do the following activities.

For many decades, scientists believed the earliest humans originated in East Africa. This belief has changed because of a collection of 2.4-million-year-old stone tools found in Algeria. Scientists now believe that Algeria and not East Africa is the cradle of civilization - where humankind began. The new find consists of 250 tools. There were also 296 animal bones. The scientists say the animal bones show that early humans were butchering meat. Dr Mohamed Sahnouni, leader of the project, said: "The evidence from Algeria changes the earlier view that East Africa was the cradle of humankind." **He** added: "Actually, the whole of Africa was the cradle of humankind."

Archaeologists have been digging at various sites on this project for 25 years. The sharp-edged tools and bones were discovered near the city of Setif, about 200 miles east of Algeria's capital, Algiers. In particular, the animal bones excited the scientists. Dr Sahnouni said it is now clear that humans were butchering animals for meat 600,000 years earlier than previously thought. A Spanish archaeologist said: "The effective use of sharp-edged tools ...suggests that our ancestors were not mere scavengers." **She** said it wasn't clear whether or not they hunted, but **they** did compete with other animals to get access to meat. Dr Sahnouni now hopes to find the tool-makers and even older stone tools.

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Comprehension

1- The text it:

a- A website article b- an extract from a history book c- an interview

2- Say whether the following statements are TRUE or False according to the text:

a- Scientists believed that the earliest humans lived in West Africa. .....

b- The cradle of civilizations means where humankind disappeared. .....

c- Archaeologists dug at various sites for a quarter century. .....

d- The Spanish Archaeologists said that our ancestors were scavengers. .....

3- Answer the following questions according to the text:

a- What does the found collection consist of ?

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b- Where were the sharp edged tool discovered?

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c- What does doctor Sahnouni hope for?

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4- Who are what do the underlined words refer to?

He: ..... she: ..... they: .....

Text Exploration

1- Find in the text words that are closest in meaning to:

a- tens of years (§1) = ... b- the proof (§2) =.....

2- Complete the following table:

Verb	Noun	adjective
To civilize		
	development	
		flourished

3- Write sentence B so that it means the same as sentence A.

1- a- Before the Islamic civilization collapsed, it had flourished.

b- After.....

2- a- Although Phoenicia had fertile land, people were not interested in farming.

b- Despite of .....

3- a- The exam was difficult. I got a super mark.

b- Although.....

Best Wishes