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**Mihoubi Tahar school** **May, 2018**

**Final English exam** **Duration: 1 h 30 m**

## More than 250 dead in Algerian military plane crash

A military lane carrying soldiers and their families has crashed soon after taking off in northern Algeria, killing 257 passengers, made up of Algerian soldiers and their relatives, died along with 10 crew members. The plane was supposed to go from Boufarik to Tindouf, and then on To Bechar. It crashed into a field on Wednesday, next to an airbase in the town of Boufarik, 20 miles (30 km) from the capital Algiers.

An eye witness told Ennahar he was at home when he heard the explosion, and drove with a neighbor to the site, where they tried to put off the fire and reach the victims. “We saw bodies… it was a catastrophe,” he said. “We were afraid, that the plane would explode. We covered some bodies and put out some fires”.

The cause of the crash is still unclear and an investigation was launched. The defense ministry said that the victims’ bodies were transported to the Algerian army’s central hospital in the town of Ain Naadja for identification.

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**Part one: Reading Comprehension (07 pts).**

**Activity 1: Read the text and write: True / False / or not mentioned. (03pts)**

1. The plane was heading to the southern city of Tindouf.
2. It was 8:30 a.m when the eyewitness heard the crash.
3. The cause of the crash is still unknown.

**Activity two: Read the text and then answer the following questions: (02 pts)**

1- Did the two men try to put out the fire?
2- Was the cause of the crash clear?

**Activity three: a-Find in the text words that are closest in meaning to: (01 pt)**

transporting = ……  collision = ……

**a-Find in the text words that are opposite in meaning to: (01 pt)**

southern ≠ ……  before ≠ ……

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## Mastery of Language : (07 pts)

**Activity one : Spot the mistakes and write the correct sentence. (02 pts)**

- The plane take off from Boufarik airbase on 7:55 a.m.
- …… .

**Activity two : Write the correct form of the verbs in brackets. (03 pts)**

1- I (to have) …….. breakfast when I heard the crash.
2- As the policeman was investigating the case, the news reporters (to arrive) …….. to the site.
3- The plane was flying low while two motorcyclists ( to ride) …….. very fast.

**Activity three : Classify these words according to the pronunciation of their vowel sounds. (02 pts)**

**take off - died - fires neighbours**

| /ai/ | /ei/ |
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**Part two: Written expression.(06 pts)**

You have witnessed a tragic car accident a few days ago. Write a newspaper report about what happened.

You may use the following cues:

- Was overtaking the lorry
- Was coming from the airport road.
- Blocked the traffic.
- Two persons died …. Injured
- An ambulance came … took the injured people to the hospital ….

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