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People's Democratic Republic of Algeria

Department of Education — **Kacher AEK Middle School, Bathia**

Tentative Examination — **Date: May 15th, 2017**

Subject: English — **Duration: 1h 30min**

Text

20 people killed in traffic accidents in Algeria

The Algerian authorities said 20 people were killed this Saturday in three traffic accidents in the country.

In the first accident, a bus from the capital Algiers to the southeastern province of Biskra crashed after midnight in the town of Bousaada, 245 km south of Algiers, leaving 10 passengers dead and 12 others injured. Later in the day, another accident was reported in the desert province of Ghardaia, **where** a family of seven members was killed when **their** car collided with a trailer. In the eastern province of Mascara, three people were killed when two cars collided, according to local fire fighting department. Initial investigations show over speed and fatigue driving are the main causes of the three accidents.

In Algeria, 4,000 to 4,500 people die of traffic accidents annually. Experts **who** have made studies say a driving licence demerit point system is expected to go into force to curb the soaring number of traffic accidents in this North African nation.

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Part One (14 pts)

A/- Reading Comprehension (07 Pts)

Read the text carefully and do the following activities

Activity one (02 pts): Say if the following statements are "true", "false" or "not mentioned"

1- The first accident occurred in the town of Bousaada.
2- Two cars collided in Mascara and killed five people.
3- Chinese cars cause disastrous accidents in our country.
4- Traffic accidents kill more than 4,000 Algerian people annually.

Activity two (03 pts): Who or what do the underlined words refer to in the text?

1- **where** refers to .....
2- **their** refers to .....
3- **who** refers to .....

Activity three (02 pts): Match each word with its related definition

Words	Definitions
Collide	Terrible accidents involving cars and pedestrians
A licence	People who travel in cars, buses, trains, planes, etc.
Passengers	Crash or hit someone or something very hard while moving
Traffic accidents	An official certificate that permits to drive cars and other vehicles

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B/- Mastery of Language (07 pts)

Activity one (03 pts): Write the correct form of the verbs between brackets

In 2012, a tragic accident (to happen). A bus driver from Bathia suddenly died with a cardiac arrest as he (to drive) back home. The people of Bathia (to be) very sad about him.

Activity Two (2pts): Fill in the blanks with: but – where – said – while

1- An eye witness ……: "That is the place …… the crash happened".
2- ……The passengers were chatting, the bus went into skid.
3- Thousands of people die everyday in Syria …… only ones few feel sorry about them.

Activity three (02 pts): Give the noun using the appropriate suffix

Verb	Noun
Collide	……
Act	……
Investigate	……
Explain	……

Part Two (06 pts): Written Expression

Every day we read about traffic accidents in Algeria which cause many deaths. Write a newspaper report in which you describe a traffic accident you have seen or you have watched in TV. The following hints can help you:
-a motorcyclist/to go fast/while/to listen to music
-it/to snow/heavily
-a bus driver/to use the mobile/as/to drive
-the bus/to go/into skid and to come out of road
-the motorcyclist/to crash/a tree and to die

N.B. Use **"the past simple"** and **"the past continuous"**

Wishing you all the Best

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