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Level :4ms **First term English Exam** **Time: 1h30**

Text : **Mother Earth's letter**

Dear Friend,

When I was young, I started my day on the East so I could welcome the warm sunrise. The air was ,cool and smell so fresh. The flowers ❀ were blooming with colours and the butterflies 🦋 were flying freely in the Babylonian gardens. The sky was so blue and the birds glided gracefully with their sweet songs🔔. The rivers were clear as a mirror and fish 🐟 swam under the beauty of the pacific sea. When the moon ❍and the sun ☼set above the ocean, the water ♦ twinkled like a diamond star.

These were the memories of my past that I miss so hard. Time has faded my beauty and others abused my generosity. I gave shelter🏠to humans and nurtured his wildlife. I gave you food, clothing and medicine… but you gave me nothing. The billion of years that I took care of your generation have led to my destruction. I gave you everything, my friend, but again, you gave me nothing. I am writing✍ you today to say that I love♥ you my dear friend. I want to share with you everything and all that is left of what I have so you can live happily☺ with your family. I am willing to sacrifice my life for your survival …because I care for you.

Just like you my friend, I will soon grow old and die . Time of my death is still unknown but to be honest, I am scared ☹ to die, I am scared not to see your children grow and I will be hurt to leave this world. Do you really love me, my friend? Then,why don't you take care of me like the way I take care of you? I am dying... I need you to save me . You are my only last hope.

Love,
Mother Earth



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I / READING COMPREHENSION : (07 Pts.)

a)Read the text and choose (a, b or c) to complete the following sentences : (03 Pts.)

1/ In the past, Earth was ----------. **a)** beautiful **b)** horrible **c)** ugly

2/ Mother Earth is -------- now**.** **a)** happy **b)** sad **c)** pleased

3/ In her letter, Mother Earth is asking for --------. **a)** death **b)** pollution **c)** help

b) Read the text again and answer the following questions : 02 Pts.)

1/ Does earth dislike humans living on her?

2/ Does the earth need us to do save her ?

c) LEXIS :(02 Pts.)

1) Find in the text words closest in meaning to the following : **a**/like=------ **b**/protect=---------

2) Find in the text words opposite in meaning to the following : **a**/known≠------- **b**/life≠----------

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II / MASTERY OF LANGUAGE : (07 Pts.)

a) Reorder these words to get a meaningful sentence: (02 Pts.)

always/ is/ causing/to/. /problems/earth/man

b) Write the correct form of the verbs between brackets : (03Pts.)

1/ In the past,Mother Earth **(to be)** .....so beautiful, but now, she **(not/ to be).....**happy.

2/we must **(to protect)** our environment.

c) Pick out from the text four verbs and complete the table according to the pronunciation of their final (ed) : (02 Pts.)

/ t /	/ d /	/ id /
1-	1-	1- 2-

III / Integrated Situation : (06 Pts.)

You received Mother Earth's letter and that made you feel the great resposibility towards your environment.

Write a ***letter*** of reply to Mother Earth in which you ***admit*** all the harm that the man causes to the environment, ***show*** your love to her and what you will ***do to protect her***.

This cues may help you :

What Mother Earth gives us.	What we(humans) did/do to her.	What must we do to save her?
◆Thanks for being our domain in this universe. ◆forests /fresh air /to breath-water/cleaning/drinking-seas/food…	◆We know/cry/hurt you . ◆ We/ greedy/selfish. ◆Destroy/to cut /forests/pollute /air/water/soil . ◆Throw rubbish everywhere…	◆We/protect/environment/plants/animals- Not pollute air,water,land...



Good Luck ☺

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