

The First Term Exam of English

Part One: Reading (15 points)

A/ Comprehension (08 points)

Read the following text very carefully the do the activities

Nadjah Art School 5 Juillet Street, Bab Ezzouar, Algiers. Re.: Piano course	Harkat Street, 4141 Bouira Centre, Algeria November 19, 2021
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Dear Sir/Madam,
I have seen your advertisement for the accelerated winter courses on piano on El Watan Newspaper last week. Therefore, I am writing this letter in order to ask you to consider sending me more details regarding **these courses**.
I am currently a junior high school student. I am sixteen and I live in Bouira city. My favorite subjects are practical sciences and foreign languages but I am fond of music and painting. Therefore, I am extremely interested in taking this course to improve my piano skills. In the future I want to become a famous music composer.
Please send me your latest promotional material so that I can prepare myself for registration. I look forward to know about your location in **my city**, the course fees and the registration due date.
Looking forward to hearing from you soon.
Yours faithfully,
Amine JJ.

1. Circle the letter that corresponds to the correct answer (01,5pts)

- A. The text above is ... a. a letter of application b. a letter of invitation c. a letter of inquiry
 B. The letter is ... a. formal b. semi-formal c. informal
 C. The sender wants to... a. invite someone b. apply for a job c. ask for information

2. Read the text and say whether these statements are true or false (02pts)

- a. Nadjah school of art is offering an extended course on piano. ✎.....
 b. The sender is good in English and French. ✎.....
 c. The sender of the letter wants to teach music afterwards. ✎.....
 d. The school is based in Bouira, too. ✎.....

3. Answer the following questions according to the text (02,5 pts)

- a. How did the sender know about the course?
 ✎.....
 b. Does the sender live in town or in countryside? ✎.....
 c. Why does the sender request a promotional material?
 ✎.....

4. In which paragraph does the sender introduce himself? (0,5pt) ►► In §

5. Say to who or what the underlined words in the text refer (01,5pts)

- a. these course (§1) b. I (§2)
 c. my city (§3)

B/ Text Exploration (07 points)

1. Find in the text words that are opposite in meaning to the following (0,75pt)

- a. next ≠ b. domestic ≠..... c. receive ≠.....

2. Find in the text words or phrases that are closest in meaning to the following (0,75 pt)

- a. snail mail = b. in love with = c. well-known =

3. Connect the pairs of sentences using the given connectors (03pts)

a. Amine lives in Bouira. Amine lives in Algiers. (**either ... or**)

✍.....

b. Amine wants to improve his marks. Amine takes an extra course in Math. (**in order to**)

✍.....

c. Amine wants to be good in math. Amine wants to be good in music. (**both ... and**)

✍.....

d. Amine doesn't waste his time. Amine doesn't sleep late. (**neither ... nor**)

✍.....

4. Fill in the gaps with must / have to / mustn't (01,5pts)

a. Students use their phones in class.

b. They speak to their teachers politely.

c. Teachers help their students understand lessons.

5. Mark stress with a prime (') on the following words (01pt)

receive - letter - subject - improve

Part Two: Written Expression (05 points)

Choose only one topic of the following

Topic One: Imagine you were the secretary of Nadjah School of Art. Use the notes below to write a **reply letter** to Amine JJ. ↓ Notes ↓

- Thank you so much for your interest in our course offer.
- Our school is renowned for its professionalism and high quality music equipment. Please check our website for location details in your area.
- Please find enclosed our latest promotional prospectus which we hope will be of benefit to you.
- Looking forward to hearing from you.

Topic Two: Some people think that Facebook and Tiktok are very useful for teenagers while other people believe that they are dangerous. How about you? What do you think?

Write a 10-line paragraph about the advantages and disadvantages of these two social networks.

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