Tarek Ben Ziad School

Level: 4MS

Ceofficient: 02

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#### Text:

Umar ibn al-Khattab (Umar, son of al-Khattab) was one of the most powerful and influential Muslim caliphs in history. He was born 13 years after the Elephant Year (584 CE). He was a tough and brave man; white skinned, tall, stout, sturdy and strong. At the pre-Islamic time of ignorance, he was educated by his father, al-Khattab, in a hard way. He was obliged to herd his camels every day. He got used to endure difficult and exhausting days which helped to shape him into a harsh man.

Before embracing Islam, Umar was among the harshest man in his hostility to Islam and the messenger of Allah-peace and prayer of Allah be upon him.

Umar converted to Islam in 616. He became a senior companion of the Prophet Muhammad (PBUH). He succeeded AbuBaker (632-634) as the second caliph of the Rashidun Caliphate on 23 August 634. He was an expert Muslim jurist known for his pious and just nature, which earned him the epithet Al-Faroog (the one who distinguishes between right and wrong).

Under Umar, the Caliphate expanded at an unprecedented rate, ruling the Sasanian Empire and more than two-thirds of the Byzantine Empire. His attacks against the Sasanian Empire resulted in the conquest of Persia in less than two years (642-644).

Umar was eventually killed by the Persian Piruz Nahavandi (known as Abu Luluah in Arabic) on 3 November 644 CE.

Adapted from the net: www.google.com

# Part One: A/ Reading Comprehension: (07 pts)

## Activity One: Answer the following questions: (03 pts)

- 1- How many paragraphs are there in the text?
- 2- In which paragraph is it mentioned that Umar became the second caliph of the Caliphate?
- 3- What do the underlined words refer to in the text?

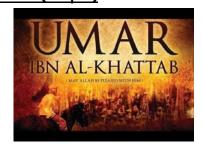
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## Activity Two: Complete the table with the events that correspond to the dates: (02 pts)

584	
616	
634	
644	<u> </u>

## Activity Three: Find in the text words that have the following definitions: (02 pts)

- a- A messenger of Allah: .....
- **b-** One who accompanies: .....
- c- To lead or drive a herd of animal:
- **d-** Large desert animals with a humped back: .....



B/ Mastery of Language: (07 pts)

Activity One: Fill in the gaps with the suitable words : (03 pts)

Who- which - whose - where - when

- 1 Ibn Sina was the doctor ...... teachings led to Medicine's progress.
- 2- Iraq was the country ...... Ibn al-Haitham grew up.
- 3- Arabic books ..... were read in Europe were of a great value.

Activity Two: Find in the text four verbs describing past actions. Complete the table: (02 pts)

Regular	Irregular	
1	1	
2	2	

Activity Three: Read the text and add a word to each of the following lists according to their vowel sounds: (02 pts)

/ ei /	/ ai /	/ /	/a /
Make	Five	Also	Found
Fame	Obliged	Boat	About
Waste	Life	Note	House

Part Two: Written Expression: (06 pts)

Next week is the **Day of Knowledge** (April 16<sup>th</sup>) and your school magazine has organised a competition for the best biography of **Abdelhamid Ben Badis**.

Use the following notes to write his short biography making the best use of the information below

(use: used to / simple past/ relative pronouns)

Name: Abdelhamid Ben Badis

Date of birth: December 4th, 1889.

Place of birth: Constantine.

1908: to travel to Zeituna, Tunisia.

1912: to become a teacher at the Zeituna university.

1913: to return to Algeria.

1931: to found "the Association of Algerian Muslim Ulema".

Date of death: April 16<sup>th</sup>, 1940.

Place of birth: Constantine.



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