

Level: 3ASLLE-3ASL

School Year : 2011-2012

English Final Exam N°02

2<sup>nd</sup> subject

**Part one: Reading Comprehension**

**Read the text carefully, and answer the questions**

Education is compulsory and free for every child in The United States. Most children start school at the age of six. **They** attend eight years of elementary school and four years of high school (or secondary school). The money for free public schools comes from taxes, and each state is responsible for **its** own educational system. State legislatures set the educational requirements but leave the management of schools in the hands of the local communities. Most states require their children to go to school until a certain age. This age varies from 16 to 18 years according to the laws of the individual states. The Federal government contributes funds to the states for additional schools and school services.

After graduation from school, a student can start his higher education in a two- year college, a four-year college, a university, or a specialized professional school, either public or private. Most colleges admit students on the basis of their high- school records. The cost of a college education is expensive in private universities, but **it** is much less in **those** supported by states and cities. Many students receive scholarships from the schools, the government, or private foundations and organizations. More than 50% of the college students work to help pay their college expenses. Only 2% of the population of the country cannot read and write.

**1- Are the following statements true or false according to the text ?**

- Education is free- paying for every child in the US.
- After graduation from high school, a student can go to university.
- Aducation in private universities is free.
- Illiteracy rate in America is very high.

2- Answer the following questions according to the text.

- a- How many years do they attend elementary school?
- b- Where does the money for public schools come from?
- c- Who is responsible for the educational system?
- d- On what basis do most colleges admit students?

3- In which paragraph is it mentioned that half of the students have to get a job to finance their studies?

4- What do the underlined words refer to in the text?

- a- They (§1)
- b- its (§1)
- c- it (§2)
- d- those (§2)

**B- Text Exploration:**

1- Find in the text words whose definitions follow

- a- Something that is obligatory (§1)
- b- An official sum of money given to learners during their studies (§2)

2- Fill in the table with the correct words:

Verb	Noun	Adjective	Adverb
.....	.....	Free	.....
To educate	.....	.....	.....
.....	Management	.....	.....

3- Rewrite sentence (b) so that it means the same as sentences (a).

- 1 { a- They will go to secondary school if they attend eight years at the elementary school.  
b- Unless .....
- 2 { a- "Most of Algerians were living in precarious conditions during the French occupation", the historian said.  
b- The historian said.....

4- Give the correct form the verbs in brackets.

Modern societies (be) ....aware of the important role that school education (play) ....in future life of their children. So, if they implement all the necessary facilities that (enable)....young to acquire the type of training, they (lead)...them towards a state where they will become competent members of their community later.

5- Classify the following words according to the number of their syllables.

Professional- leave- college- scholarship.

1 Syllable	2 Syllables	3 Syllables	4 Syllables

6- Reorder the following sentences in order to have a coherent paragraph.

a- They can also bring out sustainable development.

b- Education should be directed to the strengthening of respect of human rights.

c- These aspects of education can help achieve peace in the world.

d- It ought to promote understanding, tolerance and friendship.

### Part Two: Written Expression

Choose one of the following topics.

#### Topic one:

What are the similarities and differences between the Algerian and American schools. The following notes might help you:

Primary, complementary, secondary and higher education- number of year per cycle- age of students- type of education (free/ fee- paying)- subject matters- exams- degrees-

#### Topic Two:

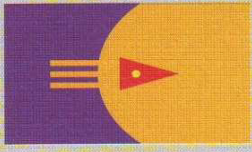
Do you want to study in a state public or private school? State the reasons of your choice.

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Good Luck

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## Correction of the First Final Exam N°02

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### Part one: Reading

1- True/ False statements

a- True      b- True      c- False      d- False

2- Comprehension questions:

a- They attend eight years of elementary schools.

b- The money for free public schools comes from taxes, and each state is responsible for its own educational system.

c- Each state is responsible for its own educational system.

d- Most colleges admit students on the basis of their high-school records.

3- In the second paragraph: More than 50% of the college students work to help pay their college expenses.

4- Reference words:

They: Most children      It: The cost of a college education

Its: each state      Those: Universities.

### B- Text Exploration:

Definitions:

a → Compulsory

b → Scholarships

2- Fill in the table:

Verb	Noun	Adjective	Adverbs
To free	Freedom	/	Freely
/	Education	Educative	/
To manage	/	Manageable	/

3- a- Unless they attend eight years at the elementary school, they won't go to secondary school.

- b- The historian Said that most Algerians had been living in precarious conditions during the French occupation.
- 4- The correct form of the verbs:  
Are- is playing- enable- will lead.
- 5- Syllables:  
Professional →3 syllables  
Leave →1 syllable  
College →2 syllables  
Scholarship →3 syllables
- 6- Reordering the sentences:

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