

امتحان بكالوريا التعليم الثانوي (دورة جوان 2005)

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اختبار في مادة الإنجليزية لغة أجنبية ثانية

SECTION ONE: READING COMPREHENSION

(8 POINTS)

Read the passage carefully then do the activities.

Not all Americans are free to celebrate holidays at all times. Whether they must work or not depends upon the importance of the holiday, the demands of seasonal work, holidays agreed to in union contracts and other factors. Many newspaper reporters, radio broadcasters, hospital workers, police, fire fighters and workers who provide other essential services must work on holidays. All working Americans, however, do get vacation time. Most take their vacations during the summer months as is common in other nations. The amount of vacation time varies greatly, but most people get one or two weeks a year, after working for the same company for a year or more. More vacation is given after longer periods of work.

This brief description of holidays shows that for some of these special times, the customs of all or most Americans are very much the same. For others, however, the customs can vary greatly. Those who feel strongly about the labour unions, for example, see Labour Day as a day on which to demonstrate labour solidarity in a public way. For others, Labour Day means a day off to go for a ride in a car, to go for a final summer swim or to hold a family get-together.

Activity 1. Choose a title to the text.

- American Celebrations
- Holidays in America
- American Workers

Activity 2. Answer these questions according to the text.

- American holidays depend on several factors. Mention two of them.
- Do all Americans behave in the same way during Labour Day? Justify your answer.

Activity 3. In which paragraph is it mentioned that in some kinds of jobs the Americans must work during holidays?**Activity 4. Here are the answers to questions about the text. Write the questions.**

- During the summer months. (§1)
- More vacation time. (§1)

Activity 5. Find in the text words that are closest in meaning to:

- differs (§1)
- usual (§1)
- short (§2)
- traditions (§2)

SECTION TWO: MASTERY OF LANGUAGE**(8 POINTS)****Activity 1. Supply punctuation and capitals where necessary.**

the american student spends six hours a day five days a week 180 days a year in school children in the united states start pre-school at the age of four

Activity 2. Which adjectives can be derived from the following nouns?

- a) life b) length c) child

Activity 3. Every sentence contains one mistake only. Write the sentence without the mistake.

- a) Money bring money.
b) Nowadays, people do not like read.

Activity 4. Combine the following pairs using the connector provided.

- a) Reading the newspaper / the telephone (ring) (while)
b) You get to London / (start) speaking English (as soon as)

Activity 5. Read the passage and delete the unnecessary words.

In during their free time, the students spend much time watching TV. Students they also listen to music.

Activity 6. Classify the following words according to the pronunciation of 'ed'.

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SECTION THREE: WRITTEN EXPRESSION**(4 POINTS)***Choose one of the following topics.***Either Topic One**

Using the following notes, write a composition of about 80 to 120 words.

- Algerian holidays : mostly in summer
- A few Algerians work - only necessary services
- They spend holidays : seaside - weddings - with family
- Holidays still expensive (hotels - food)
- A lot stay at home.

Or Topic Two

Write a composition of about 80 to 120 words on the following topic.

Do you prefer to spend your summer holidays in your country or abroad? Give your reasons.