



Riyad Karim Mahrez was born in 21st February 1991. He is a small and slim professional footballer who plays as a winger for Premier League club Manchester City and the Algerian national team.

Mahrez has begun his career as a youth player for French club AAS Sarcelles. In January 2014, Mahrez has signed for English side Leicester City, he has helped them win the Championship and promotion to the Premier League at the end of his first season. In the 2015–16 season he was the Algerian Footballer of the Year, but he remained modest, helpful and fair game player.

In January 2016, Mahrez's transfer value was said to have risen from £4.5 million to £30.1 million, ranking him among the top 50 most valuable players in Europe and when Leicester finished the season as champions, Mahrez became the first Algerian to win a Premier League medal.

Mahrez speaking to The Guardian newspaper about his desire to leave Leicester City:

"I am ambitious and I feel that now is the time to move on to a new experience. I've always enjoyed a good relationship with the chairman and everyone at the club. If I don't sign for Arsenal club this year, I will leave next year and sign a contract of 5 years with Manchester City, I will play as a striker and I will try to score as many goals as possible to become the best football player in Europe. I am not interested in cars fame and money but, to fulfill my father's wish"

On 10 July 2018, Manchester City confirmed his signing and the transfer fee of £60m made Mahrez the most expensive African footballer.

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Section One

1 / Reading Comprehension (7pts)

1- I read the text and choose the correct answer:

- Mahrez is: *a/ 21 years* *b/ 25 years* *c/ 27years*
- Mahrez won the Premier League medal with: *a/ Leicester City* *b/ Man City* *c/ Arsenal*
- He leaved Leicester City in: *a/ 10 July 2018* *b/ January 2014* *c/ January 2016*

2- I read again and complete the following table (2pts)

name	Physical appearence	personality	Clubs	Transfer fee

3- I Find in the text synonyms and opposites of : (2pts)

- a- **team** = **A lot of** =
- b- **loose** ≠ **cheap** ≠

II / Mastery of Language (7pts)

1- I fill in the blanks with: club – striker – modest – goals – interested – for - (3pts)

Mahrez is a football player, he playsManchester Cityas ahe is veryand alwaysin scoring amazing

2- I give the correct form of the verbs in brackets : (2pts)

« if she (to choose)the science stream she (to study)for 5 years at the university. She (to train)..... To be a dentist before she (to graduate)

3- I add a suffix “er”, “or”, “ist”, “ian” to form an occupation (2pts)

a/ sail..... b/ Research..... c/ typ..... d/ physic.....

Section two : situation of integration (6pts)

Your friend asked you about your plans in winter holidays

I write a short paragraph about what I will do in my winter holidays when I finish school