

Democratic and Popular Republic of Algeria

Ministry Of National Education

.....Middle School

Level: 4MS classes

Date: Tuesday, December 4th, 2018

The first term English exam

Allotted time: 1h 30m

Bill and Simone's Holiday

I still remember that disastrous sailing holiday.....
Bill and I left Miami one summer weekend on a sailing holiday in our boat "Siboney". We wanted to sail round the Caribbean Sea for a couple of weeks.

During our holiday, we saw a large group of whales. We were very excited. Unfortunately, while we were watching them, the whales began to hit the side of our boat. Suddenly, water started flooding in and we realized that we were in trouble. We quickly jumped into the lifeboat while the boat was sinking. Soon, it disappeared under the sea.

Fortunately, we had enough food and water for twenty days and a fishing line which helped us to survive. For the next fifty days, we caught about ten fish a day and ate them raw. We also drank only rain water. We saw many boats but although we waved and shouted while they were passing, nobody saw us. Then, as we were beginning to lose hope, a fishing boat rescued us. Our disastrous holiday was over.



A) Reading Comprehension (7pts)

Task 1: Read the text and say "true" or "false" then **correct** the wrong statements: (3pts)

- 1) Bill and Simone sailed in the "Swam" boat.
- 2) Bill and Simone saw a large group of whales.
- 3) In the lifeboat, Bill and Simone ate raw fish.

Task 2: Read the text again and choose the correct answer (2pts)

- 1) What did the friends do while the boat was sinking?
- 2) Who secured them?

Task 3 : Lexis. Match each word with its definition (2pts)

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| • Holiday | a very large animal that lives in the sea. |
| • Lifeboat | a period of time spend travelling or resting away from home. |
| • Whale | Travelling by boat. |
| • Sailing | a small boat carried on a ship to be used when necessary. |

B) Mastery of language : (7pts)

Task 1: Rewrite the following passage using the suitable tense (2pts)

Last weekend, while we (to play) a football match in our sport club, Amine
(to fall) down and (to break) his leg. Fortunately, the team's doctor
(to be)there.

Task 2: Put the words in **order** to get meaningful sentences. (3pts)

- 1) they/ waved / to / some boats/ have ?
- 2) Sami / as/ helpful / his / is / friend / as.
- 3) Like / Bill / Simone / sailing / and.

Task three : I put « S » for strong and « w » for weak forms in the following auxiliaries (2 pts)

1) **A :** Were she waiting for you in the airport ?

B : No , she wasn't . She hasn't arrived yet.

2) Anis was absent yesterday.

Situation of integration (6pts)

You have surely had an unlucky day or an **embarrassing moment** or an **accident**.
Narrate it in a short report using the **past simple** and the **past continuous**.

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