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English Exam

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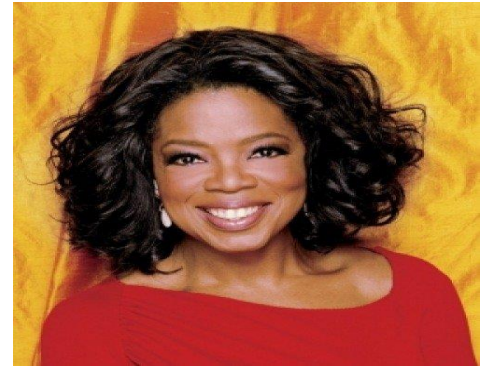
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Text

Winfrey success story

I believe that being successful means reaching our personal, financial and career goals. Success is important because it provides confidence and the ability to reach greater hopes.

One of the most successful stories that affected my entire life is Oprah Winfrey success story. She is known as the most powerful, influential and richest woman of all the times. She is the only black woman who is a multi-billionaire with a fortune of 29 billion dollars.



Oprah Winfrey was born on January 29th, 1954 in rural Mississippi. Much of her hard youth was spent in poverty. As a child she used to dress in potato sacks which made all children laugh at her. She had troubled and hard adolescence. Her success story began when she moved to live with her father and joined the University in Tennessee, USA. She started working as a journalist and presenter in the radio. Her first experience in Media was her TV program named "People are Talking" which brought her a good name and gave her the chance to host other talk show. It has become the highest rated talk show she has ever had.

Oprah's success secret, is her personal qualities. She is self-confident, hardworking, ambitious, caring, honest, modest, not selfish and above all intelligent. She is the idol for millions of girls and women worldwide. Oprah is thinking of expanding her business and she will keep on using the media to change people's lives for the best.

by Emmett Archer, www.lifeexperiences.com, May. 22, 2008

Questions

A/ Reading comprehension (7pts)

Activity one: Read the text and complete the bibliographical notes

Bibliographical notes		
Title:	Author:	
Source:	Date of publication:	
Type of document: ☐ blog article	☐ press article	☐ web article

Activity two: read the text again and answer the questions

1. What is success according to the author?
2. How was Oprah's childhood?
3. Are girls and women inspired by Oprah?

Activity three: Find the right definition for each word

1. self-confident	a. a reporter for a newspaper or TV channel
2. idol	b. the achievement of our aims and goals
3. journalist	c. a person who has great influence on others
4. success	d. a person who believes in himself and his abilities

B/ Mastery of language (7pts)

Activity one: Read the sentences and choose the right connector

as a result – because – so

1. Oprah reached her goals she is self-confident and hard working.
2. Oprah used to wear clothes made of potato sacks.... children made fun of her.
3. She succeeded in her life.....she is an idol to millions of girls around the world.

Activity two: Complete the following table

Adjective	Comparative	Superlative
.....	Fatter than	
.....		the most intelligent
good		

Activity three: put the verbs between brackets in the past simple tense

Oprah Winfrey (to suffer) from misery and poverty when she..... (to be) little child but she (to learn) from her experience that all roads that lead to success have to pass through education.

Activity four: Classify the following words in the right column

affected - bored - finished - helped

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Part two: Situation of integration (6pts)

Your primary school period remains unforgettable because of your teachers and classmates who made it special and amazing. Write a short narrative text in which you tell about:

- Your favorite primary teachers and classmates that marked this period.
- What you learnt from them.
- How they affected your personality and dream career.
- Good or bad memories.

"if it is important to you, you will find a way. if not, you will find an excuse."

Good luck 

Correction

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<u>Title:</u> Winfrey success story	<u>Author:</u> Emmett Archer
<u>Source:</u> <u>www.life experiences.com</u>	<u>Date of publication:</u> May 22, 2008
<u>Type of document</u> ☐ blog article ☐ press article ☐ web article	

Activity two: read the text again and answer the questions

1. Success according to the author is reaching our personal, financial and career goals.
2. Oprah's childhood was hard and troubled, she was very poor and she used to dress in potato sacks.
3. Yes, they are.

Activity three: Find the right definition for each word(2pts)

1. self-confident	a. a reporter for a newspaper or TV channel
2. idol	b. the achievement of our aims and goals
3. journalist	c. a person who has great influence on others
4. success	d. a person who believes in himself and his abilities

B/ Mastery of language (8pts)

Activity one: Read the sentences and choose the right connector.

as a result – because – so

4. . Oprah reached her goals **because** she is self-confident and hard working
5. Oprah used to wear clothes made of potato sacks **so** children made fun of her.
6. She succeeded in her life. **As a result**, she is an idol to millions of girls around the world.

Activity two: Complete the following table.

Adjective	Comparative	Superlative
fat	Fatter than	The fattest

intelligent	More intelligent than	the most intelligent
good	Better than	The best

Activity three: put the verbs between brackets in the past simple tense

Oprah Winfrey **suffered** from misery and poverty when she **was** little child but she **learnt** from her experience that all roads that lead to success have to pass through education.

Activity four: Classify the following words in the right column

affected - bored- finished - helped

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- bored	- finished - helped	- affected

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