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| <b>ALLALI Middle School</b>       | <b>First Term English Exam</b>           | Class : 4MS 1/2 |
| <b>Wednesday, March 3th, 2021</b> | <b>Teacher : M. IZOUNTAR Abd el alim</b> |                 |

Text :

Mumtaz Mahal died when giving birth to her fourteenth child in 1630. In 1631, her husband Shah Jahan ordered Ustad Ahmad Lahaur to build a sort of temple for her in India that was called the "Taj Mahal".

It was built by more than 20,000 workers and over 1,000 elephants were used to help with the transport of the heavy material during the construction. It took them 22 years to complete the project. Taj Mahal was decorated with jewels, gold and silver. Some Ayates from the Quran were written on many walls. The Taj Mahal had four minarets (40 m tall) and a huge dome (35m height). It is made of white marble, the colour changes with the time of the day and whether or not there's moon at night.

Taj Mahal became a symbol of endless love and it is an outstanding example of Islamic art and architecture. Some people think it is the most beautiful building on earth. In 1983, the United Nations declared it as a World Heritage Site. The mausoleum attracts more than 8 million visitors every year.

Adapted from: [www.indiahahal.com](http://www.indiahahal.com)

**Reading comprehension: Read the text carefully then do the tasks:**

**14Pts**

**1- Choose the right answer:**

**1pt**

The text is : a- a blog article b- a press article c- a web article

**2-Answer by "true" , "false" or "not mentioned":**

**2pts**

- a- Taj Mahal is situated in India.
- b- Taj Mahal had 40 huge domes.
- c- Mumtaz Mahal was born in 1550.
- d- Taj Mahal is an outstanding example of Islamic art and architecture.

**3- Find in the text two passive sentences.**

**2pts**

**4- Find in the text words or expressions that are closest in meaning to the following:**

**2pts**

a- kid = ... b- nice = ...

**Mastery of language:**

**1/ Circle the mistakes in the following sentence then correct them:**

**2pts**

Last year, we go to India. We see the Taj Mahal. We meet a lot of people and we take nice photos.

**2/ Compare the elements using "as.....as" or "not as.....as":**

**3pts**

- a- The great mosque of Algeria is nice . Taj Mahal is nice too
- b- The great mosque of Algeria was built in 2020. Taj Mahal was built in 1631, The great mosque of Algeria /old/ Taj Mahal
- c- Taj Mahal minarets "40 m" are (high) Big Ben tower "96 m".

**3/ Classify the words in the table according to the pronunciation of their final "ed":**

**2pts**

*visited – finished – demanded – cleaned*

| /t/ | /d/ | /id/ |
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**Situation of integration:**

**6pts**

The great mosque of Algeria is the third greatest mosque in the world after El-masdjid El-haram in Mekka and El masdjid Ennabaoui. Use the following notes to write about this great monument.

| Monument                    | Location (place)                 | Date of construcion                  | Designer                                            | It includes:                                              | Characteristics                                             |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| The great mosque of Algeria | Algiers (the capital of Algeria) | Started in 2012<br>Completed in 2019 | China State Constructio<br>n<br>Engineering company | -Quran school<br>-Parking<br>-Library<br>-Research center | - The biggest mosque.<br>- The tallest minaret in the world |