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<u>SECONDTerm ENGLISH TEST</u>		

Read the text carefully then do the following activities

A/Comprehension 7pts

Read the text carefully, then do the following activities:

Corruption is changing with time and technology. Today, **it** is no longer limited to simple bribery or favoritism. One new form is AI and algorithmic corruption, where artificial intelligence systems can be programmed or manipulated to favor certain people secretly. Another growing type is group-based corruption, which spreads through social networks or peer influence, making dishonest acts seem normal within groups.

The financial and technological sectors are now major targets of corruption. Digital banking, cryptocurrency, and online transactions make it easier to hide illegal money. There is also state capture, where corrupt leaders change laws and institutions to protect **their** interests and weaken control bodies.

Procurement corruption continues to evolve. Governments use digital platforms for public contracts, but some people still use **them** to win deals unfairly through hidden agreements. These new forms of corruption are more complex and harder to detect because they often appear legal or technical.

Understanding these trends helps societies fight corruption in smarter ways. It shows that modern corruption can hide behind technology, law, or influence — not just money or gifts. Countries must ensure transparency in both human and digital systems to protect justice and fairness.

1) Choose the right answer.

The text is about : a) the old forms of corruption b) the digital economy c) the newest types of corruption

2) Say whether the following sentences are true or false.

- a) AI and algorithmic corruption can secretly help some people.
- b) Group-based corruption spreads through influence and habits.
- c) Corruption in digital banking is easier to discover.
- d) Modern corruption can appear in legal forms.

3) In which paragraph is it mentioned that some forms of corruption seem legal?

4) Answer the following questions according to the text.

- a) What is AI and algorithmic corruption?

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- b) Why is corruption in finance and technology dangerous?

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c) What makes modern corruption hard to detect?
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5) What or who do the underlined words refer to in the text?

a) it (§1) b) their (§2) c) them (§3)

B/ Text Exploration (7 pts)

1) Find in the text words opposite in meaning to the following.

a) openly (§1) ≠ b) strengthen (§2) ≠ c) visible (§3) ≠

2) Divide the following words into roots and affixes. (1,5 pts)

unfairness - secretly - misconduct

Prefix	Root	Suffix

3) Rewrite sentence (b) so that it means the same as sentence (a).

1. a) people did not take digital corruption seriously.

b) I wish.....

2. a) Governments should adopt stronger ethical standards to stop new forms of corruption.

b) it's high time.....

3. a) Social media platforms can spread information to manipulate financial markets.

b) Information.....

4) Classify the following words according to their stressed syllable.

corruption - technology - fairness – information

1 st syllable	2 nd syllable	3 rd syllable

5). Fill in each gap with the appropriate word from the list given.

effects- poor – endangers -- democracy – development - fairness

Corruption affects us all. It threatens sustainable economic...(1)..., ethical values and justice; it destabilises our society and ...(2)... the rule of law. It undermines the institutions and values of our...(3)... But because public policies and public resources are largely beneficial to ...(4)... people, it is they who suffer from the harmful ...5..... of corruption most grievously .

CORRECTION

1) **The text is about** the newest types of corruption

2) true true false true

3°« In paragraph 3

4) **Answer the questions**

a) It is where artificial intelligence systems can be programmed or manipulated to favor certain people secretly.

b) Because it can hide illegal money easily

c) Because it appears legal or technical / it can hide behind technology ,law influence not just money or gift

5) **The referring words** It: corruption their :corrupt leaders them : digital platforms

Text exploration

1) **Find in the text words opposite in meaning to the following.** (1 pt)

a) openly (§1) ≠ secretly b) strengthen (§2) ≠ weaken c) visible (§3) ≠ hidden

2) **Divide the following words into roots and affixes.** (1 pt)

unfairness - secretly - misconduct

Prefix	Root	Suffix
un	fair	ness
////	secret	ly
mis	conduct	/////

3) **Rewrite sentence (b) so that it means the same as sentence (a).** (2 pts)

1.a) people did not take digital corruption seriously .

b)I wish people had taken digital corruption seriously

2. a)Governments should adopt stronger ethical standards to stop new forms of corruption.

b)it's high time governments adopted stronger ethical to stop new forms of corruption.

3.a Social media platforms can spread information to manipulate financial markets

b)Information can be spread by social media to manipulate markets.

4) **Classify the following words according to their stressed syllable.** (2pts)

corruption - technology - fairness – government

1st syllable	2nd syllable	3rd syllable
fairness	Technology corruption	information

Fill in the gaps

Development endangers democracy poor effects