

Level : 3ALLE

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English Expérimental Bac

Duration :3h30s

Part one : Reading comprehension (14pts)

A traditional theory of the spread of civilization is that it began in the Fertile Crescent and spread out from there by influence. Scholars more generally now believe that civilizations arose independently at several locations in both hemispheres. They have observed that sociocultural developments occurred along different timeframes. . The concept of a cradle of civilization has a focus where the inhabitants came to build cities, to create writing systems, to experiment in techniques for making pottery and using metals, to domesticate animals, and to develop complex social structures involving class systems.

In the absence of written documents, most aspects of the rise of early civilizations are contained in archaeological assessments that document the development of formal institutions and the material culture.

A "civilized" way of life is ultimately linked to conditions coming almost exclusively from intensive agriculture. Few of those conditions, however, are unchallenged by the records: dense settlements were not attested in Egypt's Old Kingdom and were absent in the Maya area, the Incas lacked writing altogether; and often monumental architecture preceded any indication of village settlement. For instance, in present-day Louisiana, researchers have determined that cultures that were primarily nomadic organized over generations to build earthwork mounds at seasonal settlements as early as 3400 BC. Rather than a succession of events and preconditions, the rise of civilization could equally be hypothesized as an accelerated process that started with incipient agriculture and culminated in the Oriental Bronze Age.

Single or multiple cradles/Wikipedia

A/ COMPREHENSION (7pts)

1/Choose the appropriate answer

(0.5pt)

The text is : a) expository b) descriptive c) narrative d) argumentative

2/ Say whether the following statements are true or false according to the text (2pts)

- a) Civilizations arose dependently at several locations.
- b) most aspects of the rise of early civilizations are contained in archaeological assessments.
- c) agriculture is one of conditions to civilized life.
- d) the rise of any civilization couldn't be marked as an accelerated process.

3/ Reorder the following ideas according to their appearance in the text (1.5pts)

- a) written documents were absent in ancient time.
- b) cultures that were primarily nomadic organized over generations to build earthwork
- c) the spread of civilization began in the Fertile Crescent

4/ Answer the following questions according to the text (2pts)

- a) Where did most civilizations rise and spread?
- b) How could the rise of civilization be hypothesized?

5/ What or who the underlined words refer to in the text (1pt)

They (§1)..... that (§2).....

B/ TEXT EXPLORATION (7pts)

1/ Find in the text words closest in meaning to the following (0.5pt)

- a) Intellectuals (§1)=.....
- b) origin (§1)=.....

2/ -Complete the following table: (1.5pts)

Verb	Noun	Adjective
.....		hypothesized
To create		
.....	influence	

3/ Rewrite the sentence « b » so it means the same as the sentence « a ». (3pts)

A/ a) The rise of civilization could equally be hypothesized as an accelerated process by scholars.

b) Scholars

B/ a) Researchers said : «we have observed that sociocultural developments occurred along different timeframes. ».

b) Researcher said.....

C/ a) If written documents are not absent, most aspects of the rise of early civilizations will be contained in archaeological assessments

b)

Unless.....

4/ Reorder the following statements to get a meaningful passage (1pt)

c).The history of the Ancient Near East is complex .

a).Moreover, this is a part of the world which today remains remote from the West.

d). However, once you get a handle on the general geography of the area and its history,

b) the art reveals itself as uniquely beautiful, intimate and fascinating in its complexity.

5-Classify the following words according to the pronunciation of their final “ed” (1pt)

managed - accomplished Limited / developed

/t/	/d/	/id/

Part two: Written comprehension (6pts)

Choose one topic

Topic 1 Our modern civilizations are facing many threats

Write an expository essay of about 100 to 120 words explaining the following

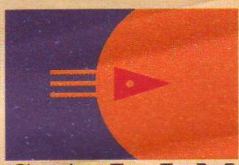
Natural disasters

Pollution and global warming

diseases

Topic 2: Can education prevent civilizations from collapse and decline? if yes, justify with arguments.

Best wishes for your Bac exam



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Part one : reading comprehension (14pts)

A/ COMPREHENSION (7pts)

1/Choose the appropriate answer

(0.5pt)

The text is : d) argumentative

2/ Say whether the following statements are true or false according to the text

(2pts)

- e) Civilizations arose dependently at several locations **false**
f) most aspects of the rise of early civilizations are contained in archaeological assessments **true**
g) agriculture is one of conditions to civilized life **true**
h) the rise of any civilization couldn't be marked as an accelerated process **false**

3/ Reorder the following ideas according to their appearance in the text

(1.5pts)

- d) written documents were absent in ancient time **2**
e) cultures that were primarily nomadic organized over generations to build earthwork **3**
f) the spread of civilization began in the Fertile Crescent **1**

4/ Answer the following questions according to the text

(2pts)

- c) most of civilization began in the Fertile Crescent .
d) the rise of civilization could equally be hypothesized as an accelerated process that started with incipient agriculture and culminated in the Oriental Bronze Age.^[12]

5/ What or who the underlined words refer to in the text

(1pt)

They (§1) Scholars that (§2) archaeological assessments

B/ TEXT EXPLORATION (7pts)

1/ Find in the text words closest in meaning to the following

(0.5pt)

- c) Intellectual (§1)= scholars b) advance (§2)= rise

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2/ -Complete the following table: (

(1.5pts)

Verb	Noun	Adjective
To hypothesize To create To influence	hypothesis creation influence	hypothesized creative influential

3/ Rewrite the sentence « b » so it means the same as the sentence « a ». (3pts)

A/ b) Scholars could equally hypothesize the rise of civilization as an accelerated process.

B/ b) Researcher said that they had observed that sociocultural developments had occurred along different timeframes.

C/ b) Unless written documents were absent, most aspects of the rise of early civilizations will be.....

4/ Reorder the following statements to get a meaningful passage (1pt)

a).The history of the Ancient Near East is complex . 1

b).Moreover, this is a part of the world which today remains remote from the West. 4

c). However, once you get a handle on the general geography of the area and its history, 2

d) the art reveals itself as uniquely beautiful, intimate and fascinating in its complexity. 3

5-Classify the following words according to the pronunciation of their final "ed" (1pt) -

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Accomplished developed	managed	limited

Part two :Written comprehension (6pts)