



Level : TCL

2019/2020

English Exam (second term)

Time/ 2 hours

Name: Surname:

The Manager of the Cement Factory
Meftah, Blida

Dear Sir,

We are a group of residents who live near the factory which **you** run. As we are very much concerned by the aesthetic and hygienic aspect of our environment, we are deeply worried by the pollution the factory causes.

Our area is always surrounded by a black cloud of fumes and it is almost impossible for us to enjoy a blue sky. This pollution of the atmosphere has already endangered many citizens' health. As we breathe toxic gases, many of us suffer from asthma and bronchitis. Your factory is causing a lot of damage to our health.

On their way to school, our children may be run-over by the huge lorries carrying your cement bags. **They** also have to jump over dirty waters which flow across or along the pavement. Thus, threatening **their** life.

Our housewives spend most of their time cleaning our windows and houses, and they always get their washings covered with dirty particles. The cement dust has even reached the inside of our cupboards, and it is quite difficult to get rid of it. What is worse is that this dirty dust has deposited on our lungs.

In addition to this, we are enduring the noise of your engines and of the lorries which roar and rumble night and day. Our babies can't sleep without being disturbed by that continuous noise. This perpetual noise is causing nuisance to everybody. We can neither wake up late in the morning nor have a nap in the afternoon.

As a result, we would be very grateful to you if you could ask the local council to remove your factory far from our district. This is the only solution left. But before that, you could impose to reserve some special hours and days to the lorries-drivers in order to load their lorries with your cement bags. Your factory should stop to work from time to time to enable the atmosphere to renew, and temporarily get rid of these noxious gases.

We hope our concern will receive your favourable attention and that the appropriate measures will soon be taken to solve our problem.

Yours Sincerely,
A Group of Residents from the District of

Reading Comprehension: (8pts)

1) Choose the correct answer : (0.5pt)

The text is a :

- a. Letter of application b. letter of complaint c. letter of sympathy

2) Say whether the following statements are true or false: (2pts)

- a) The inhabitants are indifferent to the troubles caused by the factory
- b) People are healthy and enjoy breathing fresh and pure air
- c) Housework takes most of women's time

d) People's tranquillity is being disturbed by the noise of lorries

3) Answer the following questions according to the text : (3pts)

a) What are these residents complaining of ?
.....

b) Why is the life of children endangered ?
.....

c) What can be done to reduce the impact of pollution in this city ?
.....

4) What or who do the underlined words in the text refer to ? (1pt)

a. you →

c. they →

b. their →

d. our →

5) Find in the text words that are closest in meaning to the following : (1.5pt)

6) a) Take pleasure in (§2) = b. menacing (§3) = c) thankful(6p).....

Mastery of language : (7pts)

1) Fill in the gaps with words from the list : undisturbed / creatures / in / another (...pt)

Ecology is the science of how living and plants exist together and depend on one and on the local environment. When the environment is, the ecology of the area is balance.

2) Divide the following words into roots and affixes : (1.5pt)

Words	Prefix	Root	suffix
Unacceptable
Endangering

3) Complete the table : (.....pt)

Verb	Noun	Adjective
.....	Threat
.....	Polluted
Contaminated

4) Supply the correct form of the verbs in brackets : (1pt)

Pollution (be) a serious problem nowadays. It (menace) all the countries of the world. Therefore, if we (not/take) urgent and efficient measures, pollution (endanger) our lives and environment.

5) Combine the following sentences using the connector : (1pt)

a) People suffer from breathing diseases. The air is impure. (as result)

b) To reduce CO₂ in the air. Factories should place filters.(in order to)

Written expression: Choose one of the following topics then write a paragraph.

Topic 1: Pollution is one of the serious problems threatening life on Earth write a paragraph in which you give the main causes and consequences of this problem.

Use these notes to help you : CO₂ from cars and factories/ oil spills/ fertilizers/

- CO₂ covers the Earth (Green House).

- Hole in the ozone layer / polar ice / sea level / flooding /diseases.

Topic 2: What will happen if we don't stop polluting the seas ?

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7) → b) letter of complaint

8) false / false / true / true

9) **Answer the questions**

d) The residents are complaining because they feel concerned by the aesthetic and hygienic aspect of their environment.

e) The life of the children is endangered they may be run-over by huge lorries. They have also to jump dirty water.

f) To reduce pollution. : They suggest to remove the factory and before that, they suggest to reserve special days for work to enable the atmosphere to renew.

10) You ... The manager of the cement factory.

They ... children / their – children

Our ... residents of Meftah

11) Take pleasure ⇒ enjoy

Menacing ⇒ threatening

Renovate ⇒ renew

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6) a) creatures / b) another / c) undisturbed / d) in

7) **Table**

Prefix	Root	Suffix
un	accept	able
en	danger	ing

8) **Table**

Verb	Noun	Adjective
to threaten	threat	threatening
to pollute	pollution	polluted
contaminate	contamination	contaminating

9) is / menaces / we don't take / will endanger

10) a) The air is impure, as a result people will suffer from breathing disease

b) Factories should place filters in order to reduce CO₂ in the air.