..... Middle School

Time: 1h30 Level:4ms First term English Exam

Text:

Mother Earth's letter

Dear Friend,

When I was young, I started my day on the East so I could welcome the warm sunrise. The air was ,cool and smell so fresh. The flowers & were blooming with colours and the butterflies were flying freely in the Babylonian gardens. The sky was so blue and the birds glided gracefully with their sweet songs. The rivers were clear as a mirror and fish swam under the beauty of the pacific sea. When the moon Oand the sun Set above the ocean, the water • twinkled like a diamond star.

These were the memories of my past that I miss so hard. Time has faded my beauty and others abused my generosity. I gave shelter to humans and nurtured his wildlife. I gave you food, clothing and medicine... but you gave me nothing. The billion of years that I took care of your generation have led to my destruction. I gave you everything, my friend, but again, you gave me nothing. I am writing

✓ you today to say that I love

✓ you my dear friend. I want to share with you everything and all that is left of what I have so you can live happily with your family. I am willing to sacrifice my life for your survival ...because I care for you.

Just like you my friend, I will soon grow old and die . Time of my death is still unknown but to be honest, I am scared to die, I am scared not to see your children grow and I will be hurt to leave this world. Do you really love me, my friend? Then, why don't you take care of me like the way I take care of you? I am dying... I need you to save me ... You are my only last hope.

> Love. Mother Earth

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I / READING COMPREHENSION: (07 Pts.)

a) Read the text and choose (a, b or c) to complete the following sentences: (03 Pts.)

1/ In the past, Earth was -----

a) beautiful

b) horrible

c) ugly

2/ Mother Earth is ----- now.

a) happy

b) sad

c) pleased

3/ In her letter, Mother Earth is asking for -----.

a) death

b) pollution **c)** help

b) Read the text again and answer the following questions: 02 Pts.)

- 1/ Does earth dislike humans living on her?
- 2/ Does the earth need us to do save her?

c) LEXIS : (02 Pts.)

- 1) Find in the text words closest in meaning to the following: a/like=----- b/protect=------
- 2) Find in the text words opposite in meaning to the following: a/known =----- b/life

II / MASTERY OF LANGUAGE : (07 Pts.)

a) Reorder these words to get a meaningful sentence: (02 Pts.)

always/is/causing/to/./problems/earth/man

b) Write the correct form of the verbs between brackets: (03Pts.)

- 1/ In the past, Mother Earth (to be)so beautiful, but now, she (not/to be)......happy.
- 2/we must (to protect) our environment.

c) <u>Pick out from the text four verbs and complete the table according to the pronunciation of their final (ed</u>): (02 Pts.)

/ t /	/ d /	/ id /
1-	1-	1-
		2-

III / Integrated Situation : (06 Pts.)

You received Mother Earth's letter and that made you feel the great resposibility towards your environment.

Write a <u>letter</u> of reply to Mother Earth in which you <u>admit</u> all the harm that the man causes to the environment, <u>show</u> your love to her and what you will <u>do to protect her</u>.

This cues may help you:

What Mother Earth gives	What we(humans) did/do to	What must we do to save her?
us.	her.	
◆Thanks for being our domain in this universe. ◆forests /fresh air /to breathwater/cleaning/drinking-seas/food	 ♦ We know/cry/hurt you . ♦ We/ greedy/selfish. ♦ Destroy/to cut /forests/pollute /air/water/soil . ♦ Throw rubbish everywhere 	◆We/protect/environment/plants/ani mals- Not pollute air,water,land



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