

**The text:****TRAVELLING**

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People travel by train, by plane, by ship or boat and by car. All means of travel have their advantages and disadvantages. And people choose one according to their plans and preferences. The fastest way of travelling - is travelling by plane, but the most **comfortable** is travelling by ship and the cheapest is travelling on foot. (§ 3)

If we like travelling, we see and learn a lot of things that we can never see or learn at home, though we may read about them in books and newspapers and see pictures of them on TV or online. The best way to study geography is to travel and the best way to get to know and understand the people is to meet them in their own homes. (§ 4)

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**PART ONE (14 pts)****A/- Reading Comprehension****(07 pts)**

Read the text carefully and do the following activities:

**Activity One: (02 pts). Answer the following questions.**

1. What do people see and learn while travelling?
2. How do people from the countryside like to spend their holidays?

**Activity Two: (03 pts). Read the following statement and write "true", "false" or "not mentioned".**

1. People travel to see other countries and learn other cultures.
2. People travel by bus.
- 3- The best way to study geography is to learn it at school.

**Activity Three: (02 pts). What do the underlined words in the text mean? Choose the right word:**

1. **Picturesque** (old – pretty – new – fashionable)
2. **Comfortable** (active – lazy – relaxed – unhappy)

**B- Mastery of Language**

**(07 pts)**

**Activity One: (02 pts) Supply the punctuation and the capital letters where necessary.**

would you like to visit london do you already know it and want to see it again?  
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**Activity Two: (03 pts) : Complete the following sentences using the superlative form of adjectives in brackets.**

It will be (exciting) ..... day in my life, because I will visit Everest (high) ..... mountain in the world and it will be my (good) ..... trip ever.

**Activity Three: (02 pts) Pick out from the text four words and complete the table according to the pronunciation of their final - s.**

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1- .....	1- .....	1- .....
	2- .....	

**PART TWO: Written Expression**

**(06 pts)**

Your English penfriend wants to have more information about Algeria to write an article for her / his school magazine. Write him/ her a letter telling him/ her about:

- Situation/ area/ population
- Capital / main cities
- Famous for

**DO NOT SIGN YOUR NAME.**

**Good Luck in the BEM 2019**

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2. *They often like to go to a big city in order to visit museums and art galleries, things they don't have at their hometown.*

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1. *True.*
2. *Not mentioned.*
- 3- *False.*

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<i>continents – shops – restaurants – tourists – photographs – sights – lakes – forests – plants – books</i>	<i>millions – countries – cities – ruins – towns – cultures – things – ways – museums – galleries – mountains – buildings – castles – views – valleys – plains – waterfalls – kinds – trees – animals – birds – means – advantages – disadvantages – plans – newspapers – pictures – homes</i>	<i>places – preferences</i>

**PART TWO: Written Expression****(06 pts)****May 20th, 2019****Hi John,**

*How are you? I miss you so much! I hope you're happy and doing well. It feels wonderful to write to you again. This time, I'm very excited to tell you about my country Algeria.*

*Algeria is a country in the Maghreb region of North Africa on the Mediterranean coast. With a total area of 2,381,741 square kilometres, Algeria is the tenth-largest country in the world, and the largest in Africa and in the Mediterranean. The country is bordered in the northeast by Tunisia, in the east by Libya, in the west by Morocco, in the southwest by Western Sahara, Mauritania, and Mali, in the southeast by Niger, and in the north by the Mediterranean Sea. It has a population of 37.9 million; it is the 35th most populated country on Earth. The weather is cold in winter and hot in summer. Its capital and most populous city is Algiers. Oran, in the west and Annaba in the east of the country are the main cities in my country. Arabic is the official language.*

*Algeria is famous for its fascinating sites including the UNESCO heritage sites, Hoggar and Tassili, its vast Sahara in the south, its most beautiful beaches and forests, and Rai Music as well.*

*I wish this information will meet your interest and expectations.*

*Hope to hear from you soon. Please write back!*

*Take care  
Your friend.*

**Good Luck in the BEM 2019**