



Level :2 ASS/ 2 GE

December 2018

First Term English Exam

Duration: 3 Hours

Nobel peace prize is a prestigious prize awarded every year to people or organizations that make efforts to preserve peace in order to recognize and reward **their** work in service of peace. It is suggested by Alfred Nobel, a Swedish scientist who invented the dynamite, perhaps because of the use of dynamite in wars that Nobel regretted and wanted to serve peace after seeing the catastrophic consequences of serving war by his invention. The winner of Nobel Peace Prize is chosen by Nobel Institute in Oslo, Norway on the 10<sup>th</sup> of December each year, after the official declaration of the winner, The Committee organizes a ceremony and presents the prize in the presence of the king of Norway. The winner receives a diploma, a medal and the prize amount. The first Nobel Prize was won by Henry Dunaut in 1901.

On October 9<sup>th</sup> 2009, the Norwegian Nobel Committee announced that Mr. Barack Hussein Obama had won the 2009 Nobel Peace Prize for **his** extraordinary efforts to strengthen international diplomacy and cooperation between peoples, Obama is the fourth U.S. president to be awarded this prize and the first to be recognized in the first year of his presidency. The declaration of Obama as winner came as a surprise to many, including Obama himself. The award created a mixture of praise and criticism from world leaders and media figures.

Obama was born in August 4<sup>th</sup> 1961, his father was a black immigrant from Kenya and his mother is a white woman from Kensas(U.S). He is the 44<sup>th</sup> president and the first African to settle in the White House.

**Part One: A/ - Reading Interpretation (8 pts)**

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

- a- Alfred Nobel had served war.
- b- Obama is the first American president to win Nobel Prize.
- c- The 2009<sup>th</sup> winner was not expected.
- d- The International reaction after the declaration of October 9<sup>th</sup> 2009 was united.

**2) - Answer the following questions according to the text: (4 pts)**

- a- Who selects the Nobel Peace Prize winner?
- b- Who can win it?
- c- What is the purpose of this reward?
- d- What was the international reaction after declaring the 2009<sup>th</sup> Nobel Peace Prize winner?



**3) - In which paragraph the Nobel Prize rewarding procedures are mentioned? (1 pt)**

**4) - Choose the best general idea to the text: (0,5 pt)**

- a- Nobel Peace Prize.
- b- Obama wins the Nobel Peace Prize 2009.
- c- Obama's efforts for a peaceful world.

**5) - What or who do the underlined words refer to in the text: (0,5 pt)**

- a- their (§1) =.....
- b-his (§2) =.....

**B- Text Exploration: ( 7 pts)**

**1) - Find in the text words which are closest in meaning to the following: (1 pt)**

- a- selected (§1)=.....
- Acknowledged (§2) =.....

**2) - Find in the text words that are opposite in meaning to the following: (1 pt)**

- a- failed (§2)≠.....
- b- weaken (§2)≠.....

**3)-Complete the following table: (1 pt)**

<u>Verb</u>	<u>Noun</u>	<u>Adjective</u>
To fear	.....	.....
.....	reward	.....

**4) - Complete sentence "b" so that it means the same as sentence "a": (3 pts)**

- A)- a- The rocks can damage boats.  
b- Boats.....
- B)- a- Activists were declared not guilty by the judge.  
b- The judge.....
- C)- a- Many properties have been damaged by them.  
b- They.....

**5) - Put the words between brackets in the correct tense: (2 pts)**

- a- Months ago, activists (can climb) on the top of British Airways plane.
- b- Today, anyone (can join) Greenpeace.
- c- In 2020, Greenpeace (can make) more efforts.
- d- He would say that we (can come) yesterday.

**Part Two: Written Expression (5 pts)**

**Choose one of the following topics.**

**Topic One:** Using the following notes, write a short composition on the following.

The international community should take necessary measures to help reduce hunger in the world.

- Hunger is permanent in poor countries.
- Many people die from hunger.
- Plan economy.
- Train people in agriculture and use modern methods and material.
- Help poor countries to be self-sufficient.

**Topic Two:**

Write a short paragraph about a person or an organization who/ that you suggest as a candidate for Nobel Peace Prize 2019 with his contributions and works for peace.

**Good Luck**

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### Part One: A/ - Reading Interpretation (7 pts)

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

- a- Alfred Nobel had served war. **False**  
b- Obama is the first American president to win Nobel Prize. **False**  
c- The 2009<sup>th</sup> winner was not expected. **True**  
d- The International reaction after the declaration of October 9<sup>th</sup> 2009 was united. **False**

#### 2) - Answer the following questions according to the text: (4 pts)

- a- Nobel Institute selects the Nobel Peace Prize winner.  
b- People and organizations that make efforts to preserve peace can win it.  
c- The purpose of this reward is to recognize and reward their work in service of peace.  
d- The international reaction after declaring the 2009<sup>th</sup> Nobel Peace Prize winner was a mixture of praise and criticism from world leaders and media figures.

#### 3) - In which paragraph the Nobel Prize rewarding procedures are mentioned? (1 pt) In §1

#### 4) - Choose the best general idea to the text: (0,5 pt)

- a- Nobel Peace Prize.

#### 5) - What or who do the underlined words refer to in the text: (0,5 pt)

- a- their (§1)=People and organizations.      b-his (§2)= Mr Barak Hussein Obama

### B- Text Exploration: (7 pts)

#### 1) - Find in the text words which are closest in meaning to the following: (1 pt)

- a- selected (§1)= chosen      acknowledged (§2) =recognized

#### 2) - Find in the text words that are opposite in meaning to the following: (1 pt)

- a- failed (§2)≠ won      b- weaken (§2)≠ strengthen

#### 3) - Complete the following table: (1 pt)

<u>Verb</u>	<u>Noun</u>	<u>Adjective</u>
To fear	<u>fear.</u>	<u>fearful</u>
To reward	<u>reward</u>	<u>rewarding</u>

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b- Boats can be damaged by the rocks.  
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C)- a- Many properties have been damaged by them.  
b- They have damaged many properties.

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