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First Term Test

Level: 2AL

Duration : 1hour

Part one : Reading and interpreting

A- Comprehension : Read the text then do the following activities

This is Dan Price. He lives on only \$5000 a year. He lives in an underground “hobbit hole” that he built from scrap wood. He built it in a hillside in Oregon and it only cost him \$75. His living room is shaped like a circle. Dan Price has adopted a life of radical simplicity. He says that all he needs is food, clothing, and shelter. He has only one spoon, one fork, and one knife, and he prepares very simple meals. He doesn’t have a washing machine or a dryer. He does his laundry in the river that runs through his property and he dries his clothes on a line. He rents the property **where** he has lived for 23 years for \$100 a year. For exercise, he uses homemade weights **that** he made from scrap material and concrete. He also rides a tricycle (recumbent bike) for exercise and for transportation. He doesn’t own a car. One time he rode his bike all the way across the U.S. from Oregon to Florida. Before he lived in his “hobbit hole,” he used to live in a teepee. He respects the Native American lifestyle and tries to live like them. He used to work a part-time job taking care of this cemetery. He still likes to visit the gravestones, which he calls “a person’s entire history.”

1- Are the following statements true or false according to the text

- a-Dan’s house didn’t cost him much money.
- b-Dan prefers to have a luxurious life.
- c-Dan doesn’t have a means of transport.
- d-Dan doesn’t like native Americans.

2- Answer the following questions according to the text

- a-Who is Dan Price ?
- b-Where does Dan Price live ?
- c-Which adjective best describes Dan Price life: modern, ordinary, uncomplicated ?
- d- In your opinion, why does Dan call a gravestone ‘a person’s entire history’ ?

3- Find in the text words or expressions that are closest in meaning to the following

- a-housing=
- b-way of life=

4- Who or what do the words in bold refer to in the text

- a-Where:.....
- b- that:.....

B- Text exploration.

1- Complete the following table

Verb	Noun	Adjective
.....	Simplicity
Respect
.....	adopted

2- Fill in the gaps with the correct form of the adjective between brackets

- a-Dan has one of (strange)..lifestyles.
- b-Dan thinks that cleaning clothes by hands is (easy).....cleaning them by a washing machine.

3- Write correctly the verbs between brackets

- I (live).....in a big house with my parents and little brothers, Now, I (live).....in a small apartment and I (move)to my new house next week.