

Level: 2ASLLE.2ASL

May2018

English Exam Third Term

Duration: 02h00

#### PART ONE: READING (15 points)

Read the following text carefully and do the activities.

According to "A Global Report-Reducing Disaster Risk, A Challenge for Development" published by the United Nations Development Programme, economical losses due to natural disasters have been increasing in the past 50 years, especially in the Asian countries.

Disasters such as flooding, landslide and debris flow occur frequently due to the globalscale climate change as well as urban developments in Asia. The result is loss of human lives caused by **these** disasters has also been increasing. As one of the places suffered from natural disasters, the government of Taiwan has invested a large amount of resources into researches for disaster prevention, reduction, and response techniques. In particular, the National Science and Technology Centre for Disaster Reduction (NCDR) was formed in 2003, and has been providing a variety of research programs related to disaster reduction. These research programs include basic research on the issues about hazards potential analysis, risk assessment, hazards scenario simulation, implementation of hazards reduction plans, education to the general public, supply of insurance and financial incentives, and performance evaluation, etc.

In complying with the "International Cooperation on Research and Training Programs" of the National Science Council of Taiwan R.O.C., this proposal is to organize a short-term training program on hazard mitigation with an emphasis on typhoon- and flood-related disasters. The training program is scheduled from March 21 to 25, 2005.

The United Nations Development Programme

#### Comprehension and interpretation. (07points)

- 1. Circle the letter that corresponds to the right answer. The text is about: (0.5)
  - a) Natural disasters and their effects on business.
  - b) The effects of disasters on agriculture.
- 2. Are these statements true or false? Write "T" or "F" next to the letter corresponding to the statement. (2pts)
- a) "A Global Report-Reducing Disaster Risk, A Challenge for Development" is published by the NATO.....
- b) Economical losses caused by natural disasters have been decreasing.......
- c) The National Science and Technology Centre for Disaster Reduction (NCDR) was formed in 2003.....

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d) The (NCDR) provious reduction	questions acco	ording				to	disaster
a) What are the disasters me	entioned in the te	kt?					
b) What are the main causes	of disasters?		••••••	••••••			
c) What does the research al	oout disaster redu	ction p	 rogram	include?			
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4- what or who do the u these (§2) NCDR					17		
B. Text exploration.	(08 points)						
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a) catastrophes=				ollowing: (§2)	(1pt)		
2- Find in the text words	s that are oppo	sites to	the fo	llowing:			
a) benifits ≠	(§1) b) <b>dec</b>	reasin	<i>g</i>	(§1)	(1pt)		
3- complete the followin	g table (1pt)						
noun	verb		ad	adjective			
Reduction	enphasize		rec	reduced /reducing			
danger							
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4- rewrite the sentences	b so they me	an the	same a	is the sent	ences a	(2	pts)
1a- "The casualties were end							
1b- He said 2a- If I were you I would tak		le activi	ities				
2b- You							
<b>3a</b> The buildings are totally <b>3 b</b> /The earthquake							
4a- / A boy speaking to his					uses ."		
<b>4b</b> / He					••••		
5- re order the following s	sentences to ma	ke a co	herent	naraaranh	2nts		
a- important measures				paragrapn	_pts		
b- it destroyed the who	ole city.						
c- at midnight a violen		kened p	eople.				
d- to rescue and help the	ne vicums.						

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# 6- classify the following words according to the number of their syllables 1pt

a-earthquake b-reconstruct c-victim d-casualties

## **Section two: written expression (5pts)**

choose one of the following topics:

topic one: using the following notes, write a paragraph on the 1980 earthquake of El Asnam

- October 10th, 1980
- -seven on richter scale
- -buildings and houses collapsed
- -many casualties
- -quick arrival of rescuers
- -solidarity among Algerians
- -foreign aid
- -government program to reconstruct towns / villages.

**Topic two**: some people think that we can reduce poverty in Africa by giving more food aid. Others claim that food aid is not the solution to fight hunger and famine. do you agree or disagree? justify with arguments.

**Good Luck** 

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#### Comprehension and interpretation. (07points)

- 1. The text is about: (0.5)
  - a) Natural disasters and their effects on business.
- 2. True or false (2pts)
  - a) FALSE
- b) FALSE
- c) TRUE
- d) TRUE
- 3- Answer the following questions according to the text. (3pts)
- a) The disasters mentioned in the text are: flooding, landslide and debris flow
- ${f b}$ ) The main causes of disasters are the global-scale climate change as well as urban developments .
- **c**) The research programs include basic research on the issues about hazards potential analysis, risk assessment, hazards scenario simulation, implementation of hazards reduction plans, education to the general public, supply of insurance and financial incentives, and performance evaluation, etc.
- 4- what or who do the underlines wors refer in the text? (1.5pts)

these (§2) .....flooding, landslide and debris flow

NCDR (§2) National Science Technology Centre for Disaster Reduction.

**this proposal** (§3).....International Cooperation on Research and Training Programs" of the National Science Council of Taiwan R.O.C.,

# **B.** Text exploration. (08 points)

- 1. Find in the text words that are synonyms to the following: (1pt)
  - a) catastrophes (§1) = **disasters**
  - b) danger ( $\S 2$ ) = risk
- 2- Find in the text words that are opposites to the following:
  - a) benifits  $\neq$  losses (§1) b) decreasing(§1)  $\neq$  increasing (1pt)
- 3- coplete the following table (1pt)

noun verb adjective

Reduction to reduce reduced /reducing enphasis enphasize enphasized danger endanger dangerous

4- rewrite the sentences "b" so they mean the same as the sentences "a" (2pts)

- 1a- "the casualties were enormous" he said
- 1b- he said that the casualities had been enormous.
- 2a- if I were you I would take part in charitable activities
- 2b- you should take part in charitable activities.
- **3a** the buildings are totally destroyed.
- **3** b/the earthquake destroys totally the buildings.

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4a- A boy is speaking to his friend:" You ought to feel in this wooden house." **4b/** He advised him to feel in that wooden house.

### 5- re order the following sentences to make a coherent paragraph 2pts

a- important measures were taken by the government. 3

b- it destroyed the whole city. 2 c- at midnight a violent earthquake awakened people.

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## 6- classify the following words according to the number of their syllables 1pt

a-earthquake b-reconstruct c-victim d-casualties 2syll 3syll 2syll 3syll

Section two: written expression (5pts)

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