

Charles Dickens (1812-1870) in London.

Charles Dickens is a famous writer in the English language. He wrote about the real world of England and many of the people in his books were not rich, but poor and hungry. Charles Dickens's family lived in London and his father worked in an office. It was a good job, but he always spent a lot of money and often there was no money to buy food. There were eight children in the family, so life was hard.

Charles went to school and his teachers thought he was very clever. But when Charles was only eleven, his father lost all his money and the family left their house. Charles got a job washing bottles. He worked ten hours a day and he earned six shillings (30p) a week. Every night, after work, he walked four miles back to his room. Charles hated it and never forgot it. He used it in many books, for example "David Copperfield" and "Oliver Twist."

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Part One(14 pts) :

READING COMPREHENSION:

Read the text carefully and do the following activities:

Activity ONE (03 pts):Complete the table with information from the text .

name	occupation	Date of birth	Place of birth	Famous books	Date of death

Activity TWO (02 pts) : Answer the Following questions .

- Is Charles a famous author ?*
- Did he work eleven hours a day ?*

Activity three (02pts) : Match the words in column A with the equivalents in column B.

A	B
- well known	- a lot of
- many	- hard
- difficult	- clever
- bright	- famous

B- MASTERY OF LANGUAGE:

Activity one (02pts): Reorder the following words to get coherent sentences

1/ was born / Mouloud Feraoun / on March 08th, 1913/ . /

2/ died / . / March 15th, 1962 /on /He /

Activity two: (03 pts) : Write the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

- Assia Djebar was an algerian novelist. She (**be born**) on August 04th, 1936. In Cherchell Algeria.
She (**write**) many books such as " *Le blanc de l'Algérie* ", "La Soif et Les Impatients .
Assia (**die**) on February 06th, 2015.

Activity three (02pts): Pick out from the text four words that have the following sounds

/ei/	/ai /
1.....	1
2.....	2.....

PART TWO (07pts) :

WRITTEN EXPRESSION_

Use the table below and write a short biography about **Rachid Mimouni** .

Name	Rachid Mimouni
Occupation	writer,
Date of birth	November 20th , 1945
Place of birth	in Boudouaou , Algiers
Works or books	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• La Tombéza »• « L'Honneur de la tribu »• « La ceinture de l'ogresse »
Date of death	February 12th , 1995

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