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BAC - ÉPREUVE D'ANGLAIS LV1

Durée : 3h

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Cette épreuve comporte quatre (03) pages.

Do all the activities on your answer sheets by reading and following carefully the instructions given.

PART ONE : READING (40%)

Read the text below and do the tasks that follow it.

Salim comes running through the door and collapse face down on the bed. I am alarmed. Salim! Salim! I shout. What's happened to you? How come you are back so early? I turn him on his back. He is laughing. The most amazing thing happened today. This is the happiest day of my life", He declares. What is it? "Have you won the lottery?" "No something even better than winning the lottery. I have seen Armaan Ali."

Bit by breathless bit, the whole story comes out. How Salim caught a glimpse on Armaan Ali while doing his daily round in Ghakopar. The star was alighting on his Mercedes-Benz to enter a five-star hotel. Salim was traveling on a bus to deliver his last tiffin¹ box to a customer. The moment He spotted Armaan, He jumped down from the speeding vehicle, narrowly missing being run down by a car, and ran toward the actor, who was passing through the hotel's revolving door. He was stopped by the tall, strapping uniformed guard and prevented from entering the hotel. "Armaan!" Salim called, trying desperately to catch the star's attention. Armaan heard the cry, stopped in his tracks, and turned around. His eyes made contact with Salim's. He gave a faint smile, a barely perceptible nod of acknowledgement, and continued walking into the lobby. Salim forgot all about the tiffin and came racing home to give me the news of his dream having come true. A customer of Gawli Tiffin carriers went hungry that afternoon.

"Does Armaan look different from the way he appears on screen?" I ask. No He is even better in real life", says Salim. He is taller and more handsome. My ambition in life is to shake his hand, at least once. I probably won't wash it for a month after that". I reflect on how good it is to have simple, uncomplicated ambitions. Like shaking a film star's hand. [...]

"Your ambition is to shake Armaan's hand," I say to Salim. "But what do you think is Armaan's ambition in life? He seems to have it all –face, fame, and fortune."

¹ tiffin: lunch

Adapted from Vikas Swarup, Q & A.

COMPREHENSION CHECK

A- Words from column A are from the text. Match them with their Synonyms or meanings in column B. Write your answer like this example: 1- a

COLUMN A: WORDS	COLUMN B: SYNONYM OR MEANING
1- Alarmed (paragraph1)	a-suddenly sits or falls down
2- Collapses (paragraph1)	b- worried or frightened
3- Amazing(paragraph1)	c-very good, especially in an unexpected way
4- Customer (paragraph2)	d- a quick look at someone
5- Prevented (paragraph2)	e- a famous actor, musician or sport player
6- Lobby (paragraph2)	f- all of something
7- A bus (paragraph2)	g- a large vehicle that people pay to travel on
8- Glimpse (paragraph2)	h- attracting, very good looking
9- Handsome (paragraph2)	i- stopped something from happening
10- Whole (paragraph2)	j- large hall inside the entrance of a public building
11- Star (paragraph2)	k- very rapidly
	l- Someone who buys goods or services from a shop.

B-Say whether the sentences are TRUE or FALSE according to the text. Write your answer like this:
11- FALSE

- 1- The speaker actually agrees with Salim's reaction for having seen Armaan.
- 2- What happened was very bad for Salim.
- 3- Salim was very happy because He won the lottery.
- 4- Armaan is a well-known actor.
- 5- Salim was in a bus especially to meet Armaan.
- 6- Salim continued his job after having seen Armaan.
- 7- Armaan Ali greeted warmly Salim.
- 8- Salim's ambition is to share everything with the star.
- 9- For Salim, having seen the star, changed that day into the best of his life.
- 10- Salim succeeded to enter the hotel and talk to Armaan Ali.
- 11- Armaan Ali couldn't see Salim in spite of his noises.

c- Answer briefly these questions according to the text.

- 1- What title can you give to the text?
- 2- What happened to Salim?
- 3- Does the speaker totally agree with Salim reaction? Justify your answer?
- 4- How did Armaan greet Salim?
- 5- According to you why did He greet Salim that way?

PART TWO: WRITING (40%)

Do only one of the two tasks. 15-20 lines

Task 1: "More and more blogs on the internet are dedicated to stars". What do you think about this phenomenon? What can be the influence of such a reality on the students? Support your arguments with evidence.

Task 2: English Speaking clubs of your country are organizing a letter competition with B.B.C. World Service on the following topic: "Becoming a star is not as such a great ambition since it does not require being a hardworking student today". As the chairman of your English Speaking club, you are asked to write the letter. Your letter, if selected will be read on the B.B.C. radio program called "Life of Stars".

Write your letter to this address: BBC World Service

Bush House

London

PART THREE: LANGUAGE IN USE (20%)

A-Complete the paragraphs below by selecting the most appropriate words from the box to fill in each numbered gap: Write your answer like this: 11- boundaries.

Boundaries-of-they-networks-this-and-from-generation-primary-fair-creating-rises.

As the number of network participants----1-----, the ease of leaving that network or ----2----- an alternative to it becomes increasingly difficult. With this mind it's ----3----- to say Face book will play a ----4----- role in the dissemination of culture for at least this----5----- to come and as such warrants a discourse separate ----6----- talk of "the internet as an art" at large. The problem with --7----- as is the problem equally with any social ----8----- or any discipline, as we want to describe art, is that----9----- engender this sense ----10----- impassable ----11-----.

B- Choose the Correct relative pronouns. Write your answer like this: 11-himself.

- 1- The lion is an animal (**which/whose/who**) is very strong.
- 2- A novelist is a person (**whom/who/whose**) writes novels.
- 3- A bottle opener is a device (**which/where/who**) opens bottles.
- 4- The girl (**which/whose/who**) mother writes poems speaks Chinese.
- 5- A detective is someone (**whom/where/who**) discovers the truth about crimes.
- 6- The house (**which/whose/whom**) windows are open is beautiful.
- 7- The writer (**where/whose/who**) wrote that article won the Nobel Prize.
- 8- He bought a car (**which/where/whom**) runs fast.
- 9- He was wearing a cap (**which/whose/who**) was black.
- 10- This is the man (**himself/where/whose**) saved the kid.
- 11- The restaurant (**where/why/when**) I have dinner is nice.