

BEPC
SESSION 2015
ZONE : I

Coefficient : 1
Durée : 2 h

LANGUE VIVANTE 1 : ANGLAIS

*Cette épreuve comporte deux (02) pages numérotées 1/2 et 2/2.
Le candidat est libre de commencer par la composante de son choix.
Pendant il devra numéroter ses réponses conformément à la numérotation du sujet.*

PART ONE READING COMPREHENSION (8points)

Read the text below and do all the activities that follow it.

THE HIGHWAY OF CHEAP LOVE

On Saturday nights, many young women line the pavements of E55, a Czech highway near the German border. Their costumes vary: short skirts and dresses, and very tight jeans. They speak various languages: Czech, Romanian, Bulgarian, Hungarian and German. But they have only one thing to sell: sex. The travelers can stop to have a rest and for just three dollars, pick up a girl of 15 years old or less for half an hour in the bushes or in a truck cabin or in a shabby hotel. Sometimes, those visitors can buy more than one girl and go with them at the same time in very humiliating conditions.

For the young women, the story is different. Many have been compelled into sexual servitude. Some hardly accept these practices, but their poor living conditions and bad friendships drive them to that highway. As the girls are having sex in those uncomfortable places, their pimps sit in luxurious cars in the shadows, calculating the dark money they earn. But not all the pimps are gangsters. Often it is the father sitting in a car parked a few metres away who negotiates the deal for the daughter.

But the effect of this activity is devastating. Poor women and children are traded on the streets as goods against hunger. This is a quick route to profits.

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Note: highway: autoroute

COMPREHENSION CHECK

A-Vocabulary check: Match the words from the text in column A with their synonyms or definitions in column B. One word or expression in column B is not concerned. Write your answers like in the example.

Example: 1-e

COLUMN A

- 1-boarder (L.2)
- 2-tight (L.3)
- 3-truck (L.6)
- 4-shabby(L.6)
- 5-compelled (L.8)
- 6-pimps(L.11)
- 7-earn (L.11)
- 8-traded(L.14)
- 9- goods (L.15)

COLUMN B

- a-forced
- b-sold
- c-commercial products
- d-people who find clients for prostitutes
- e-frontier
- f-lose
- g-lorry
- h-close to the body
- i-dirty
- j-get

B-Comprehension questions: Read the text again and answer each of the following questions in 2 lines maximum.

- 1-What is the job of the girls on the Czech highway?
- 2-How old are some of the girls who practise this activity on the highway?
- 3-Do all the girls decide to become prostitutes? Justify your answer from the text.
- 4-What do some parents do on the highway?

PART TWO LANGUAGE IN USE (6 points)

Task 1: The following passage is about temptations. Select the most appropriate options between brackets to make it meaningful. Write your answers like in the example.

Example: 1-advisable

Some people choose non conventional ways to get money. This is not 1-(advising-advisable-advice).

There are honourable ways to become financially independent. Education can be 2-(helpful-helping-helped) to avoid several temptations. With the training they acquire at school, young girls are better equipped to resist 3-(disgraceful-disgrace-disgracefully) jobs like prostitution. As for young boys, school education can help them to become more 4-(social-socially-sociable) rather than becoming drug dealers or cyber criminals.

Task 2: The text below is the summary of Mr. Johnson's conference at a meeting of your English club. Complete it with the correct form of the verbs between brackets to make it meaningful. Write your answers like in the example.

Example: 1-are compelled.

Prostitution is a serious problem today. Many young girls 1-(to compel) by adults to become prostitutes. But prostitution is a dangerous job. The health of the girls practising prostitution can 2-(to affect) by diseases.

In addition, they have very little chance 3-(to marry) by people who know them. Therefore, prostitution and drug addiction should 4-(to avoid) by boys and girls for a better future..

PART THREE WRITING (6 points)

TOPIC:

The English club of your school is organizing a campaign against prostitution. Write a text of 10 to 12 lines that will be published in the English club magazine of your school to sensitize your friends about the dangers of prostitution.

In your text,

- give three reasons why some young girls choose to become prostitutes;
- show the consequences of prostitution;
- suggest solutions that can help girls avoid prostitution.