

COLLEGE F.X. VOGT		SCHOOL YEAR: 2024-2025
DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH	ANGLAIS	MID-TERM SESSION EXAM
LEVEL: Tle A	DURATION: 2hrs	27 <sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2025

**ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS**

**EVALUATION OF RESOURCES (20 MARKS)**

**SECTION A: GRAMMAR : (10 Mark)**

**TASK1 : Olivia and Thom are discussing their concerns about rising temperatures.**  
Follow the instructions in brackets to complete their conversation. (5Marks)

**Olivia:** It's getting unbearable these days. The heat just keeps \_\_\_\_\_ (get in the correct form) worse every year. Don't you think it is unusual for January to feel this hot?

**Thom:** \_\_\_\_\_ (use the correct pronoun) was just telling my family that this kind of weather \_\_\_\_\_ (to be in the correct tense) normal a decade ago. Dry seasons are \_\_\_\_\_ (long in the correct form) , rainy seasons are not that cool anymore. It's like the seasons are shifting. \_\_\_\_\_ ?(question tag)

**Olivia:** It's not just uncomfortable, it's worrying. I read the other day that global temperatures have already risen by more to 1°C \_\_\_\_\_ the pre-industrial area.(choose: during, since, in)

**Thom:** Yes, it's scary. I heard glaciers are melting at record speeds which is making sea levels \_\_\_\_\_ (rise in the correct form) . \_\_\_\_\_ this keeps up, some coastal cities might be underwater in a few decades. (complete with a conjunction)

**Olivia:** And let's not forget the wildfires. The heatwaves make everything so \_\_\_\_\_ (choose: drying, dried, dry)

**Thom:** What frustrates me most is that a lot of this \_\_\_\_\_ (to cause in the correct form) by us (burning fossils, cutting down trees, overusing resources...)

**TASK 2: Rewrite the following sentences using the prompts given to you.(5Marks)**

1) "Treatment of communicable diseases depends on the specific pathogen causing the illness now."

The Minister of public health \_\_\_\_\_

2) If we really care about hygiene rules and sanitation the way we are supposed to, we will prevent a lot of those diseases.

In case \_\_\_\_\_

3) When you see those symptoms on the baby, take him to the hospital immediately.

No sooner \_\_\_\_\_

4) In fact, many people are dying because negligence and promiscuity.

Negligence and promiscuity \_\_\_\_\_ in fact.

5) Another cause of diseases that people seem to ignore is drug consumption; *Addiction to drugs can dangerously damage the brain.* (rewrite the italicized sentence in the past simple passive).

## SECTION B: VOCABULARY (10Marks)

**Task 1:** Complete this closed passage with the correct forms of words in brackets to (2.5marks)

School life is a vibrant chapter filled with learning, friendships, and \_\_\_\_\_ (grow). It is a world where students make \_\_\_\_\_ (discover) on their potential. They are guide by teachers who inspire and nurture curiosity. The classroom buzzes with the exchange of ideas, while the playground echoes with \_\_\_\_\_ (laugh) and games. School life teaches not just academics but also values of team work and \_\_\_\_\_ (kind) and \_\_\_\_\_ (forget) experiences.

**Task 2:** Underline the stressed syllables in the following lists of words. (2.5marks)

Addiction, Hepatitis,

Tuberculosis, contaminated, Malaria.

**Task3:** Use your own words to complete these definitions. (5Marks)

1) \_\_\_\_\_ is energy derived from natural sources.

2) Nitrous Oxide, Methane and \_\_\_\_\_ are types of GHG.

3) Pollution can be defined as \_\_\_\_\_ of the environment by \_\_\_\_\_

4) Viruses, bacteria, parasites and fungi are usually referred to .....  
..... They are responsible for the transmission of diseases.

## PART TWO: EVALUATION OF THE COMPETENCE

### SECTION C: READING COMPREHENSION (10Marks)

Read the passage below and answer the questions that follow. Use the space provided and also use good English and your own words as much as possible.

#### *Alternative energy source*

The population recently reached the six billion mark and will continue to grow at an exponential rate in the future. As the population increases, so will the demands for resources like food, water and electricity. Renewable, clean, and efficient power is increasingly important as limited fossil fuel sources slowly disappear, and population becomes more of an issue. However, the industry has already begun to answer many of the tough questions about where our power will come from the future.

Today, there are several ways of generating power. Nuclear, hydroelectric, wind, solar, coal, oil and gas, are the most significant methods. Many people believed solar power would solve the world's energy problems. After all, if we could harness all the sun's energy that hit the earth in a one minute period, it could power the entire planet for a year. In fact, only a hundredth of a millionth pools and homes and photovoltaic cells convert sunlight directly into electricity. Unfortunately, although these cells are becoming more reasonably priced, they are expensive in comparison to the amount of electricity they create. They could be unreliable as a sole source of power.

Wind power is one of the most promising prospects for the future. It is inexpensive and fairly reliable. Wind turbines are placed high above the ground to take advantage of faster, less turbulent air flows. It is the fastest growing renewable energy source in the world and globally it accounts for more than 31,000 megawatts. Wind power is absolutely pollution free and wind turbines can be placed in remote areas like mountain tops and at sea. In addition, they require little maintenance.

Nuclear power is also an interesting alternative to fossil fuels. It is cheap, efficient, and clean. Nuclear energy is generated as fission unleashes the energy stored in the atom. Many people fear nuclear meltdowns like the one that occurred in Chernobyl, a plant in the former Soviet Union. However, these events are rare and more people have died in fires and coal mine accidents. Unfortunately, the disposing of nuclear waste will eventually become a problem despite safety techniques. Scientists use safe containers to store the waste, but as it accumulates it would be hard to store and keep out the hands of dangerous people.

Hydroelectric facilities utilize water, a renewable resource, to turn turbines. They are absolutely pollution free, but can disrupt the river and ocean habitats where they are constructed. Many dams are now built with fish ladders to help salmon who migrate upstream to make their yearly mating journey. Yet, many fish can still be caught in turbines, and changes in the currents and structure of river can severely damage the habitat. In addition, hydroelectric dams require a powerful river and suitable areas are scarce. Therefore, hydroelectric power would be unable to grow with demand. Hydrogen fuels are also a promising alternative for the future. Hydrogen fuel cells, which combine hydrogen and oxygen to produce electricity, are currently used for NASA's space vehicles because they are light weight and release a lot of energy. In fact, they release seven times more energy than an equal amount of coal. On top of this, hydrogen can be burned purely to release only water. Hydrogen is one of the most abundant elements on the planet and the most abundant element in the universe. The only downside is that hydrogen on earth is the most often abundant elements in the fossil fuels, and some inorganic. There are several.

The traditional sources of power are fossil fuels. They include coal, oil, and natural gas. Of them all natural gas is the cleanest while coal generally causes the most environmental pollution in the form of smog, soot, acid rain, and toxic metal compounds.

*Adapted from <http://www.algebra1rad.org/>*

#### **QUESTIONS:**

- 1) What has become important with the disappearance of fossil sources?

• 2) How many current ways of generating power have been mentioned in the passage?  
Name them.

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3) Why according to the passage is wind power less expensive and fairly reliable?

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4) According to the passage, what are the advantages of wind power?

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5) Name two other sources of power production.

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6) Do you think solar energy supply should be encouraged in Cameroon? Give your reasons.

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#### **SECTION D/COMPOSITION WRITING (10 MARKS)**

*Write an essay of between 250 and 300 words on any ONE of the topics below.*

**TOPIC 1:** You are the youth of your village. During your cultural festival you have to give a talk on; teenage pregnancies. In your talk, present the social life of young people today, The Causes of teenage pregnancies, the consequences on their studies and personality and the the solutions to the phenomenon.

**TOPIC 3** Write an article to be published in "The Way" about pollution. Your name is Ossongo.

**TOPIC 3:** Drug consumption in school is a general concern that touches parents, teachers and students. Write an argumentative essay in which you give your opinion on this topic. Tell us about some reasons why students take drugs and how can we curb that problem in our schools.