



## FIRST TERM EXAM

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It is a common phenomenon in every country nowadays that people are leaving the countryside and moving to the big cities. These people feel that in the city, life will be better for them in terms of more opportunities for employment, education, and entertainment. Big cities do have certain advantages, but in fact only a madman would choose to live in a large modern city.

There are at least three very good reasons for this. In the first place, city dwellers are forced to lead a life which is totally unnatural. They lose all contact with the land and with nature. Even sunshine and fresh air are scarce, as tall buildings block the sun's rays and cars pollute the atmosphere. Secondly, the cost of living is extremely high. Ridiculously high rents must be paid for small, sometimes uncomfortable apartments, and everything one buys is likely to be more expensive than in the country. Thirdly, large cities are full of crime. Everyday people and houses are robbed, and in many areas of the city it is dangerous to go out at night.

From this, it can be seen that big cities are completely unsuitable for human dwelling. Can anyone doubt that the country is what man was born for and where he truly belongs?

### I. COMPREHENSION ( 14 points)

#### A/ Find in the text words meaning almost the same as: ( 4 points )

- 1) at present : ..... 2) inhabitants: .....  
2) obliged: ..... 4) rare: .....

#### B/ Find in the text phrases or sentences which show that: ( 2 points)

- 1) Leaving the country to the city happens everywhere.  
2) Cities aren't convenient to live in at all.

#### C/ Complete these sentences according to the passage: ( 2 points )

- 1) People who move to the city think .....  
2) Everything in the city costs ..... the country.

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### D/ Answer these questions according to the passage: ( 4 points )

1) How do city dwellers lose contact with nature? (1 point )

2) What risks do people in some parts of the city run? (1 point )

3) Is the writer of this passage for or against moving to the city? Justify your answer. ( 2 points )

### E/ What do the underlined words in the text refer to ? ( 2 points )

1) this (paragraph 2 ):

2) he (paragraph 3 ):

## II. LANGUAGE : (14 points)

### A/ Give the correct form of the verbs in brackets: (4 points)

1) Nancy is in her room. She ..... ( listen ) to music.

2) Tom has got ..... (bad) mark in class.

3) Charlie Chaplin ..... ( make ) his first film many years ago.

4) He always has accidents because he is a ..... (care) driver.

### B/ Fill in the blanks with an appropriate word. The first letter is given. ( 3 points )

1) Zineb is always looking at herself in the mirror. She is so v.....!

2) New York City r..... newspapers, bottles, and other garbage, and makes them into new products.

3) "Fifty wheelchairs have been brought to our local health center for d..... people," a doctor said.

### C/ Find the mistakes and correct them. ( 2 points )

1) Nour: Whose scooter you borrowed ? (.....)

Farid: Nabil's

2) " I prefer to wear lose clothing in summer," Leila said (.....).

### D/ Fill in the blanks with an appropriate word from the list: ( 3 points )

safety - patient - safe - unemployment - patience - unemployed

1) "Now that I've brought a dog to guard my house against robbers, I feel ....., "the old lady said to her friend.

2) " I have been ..... since the factory closed down," a factory worker said to a journalist.

3) "You need to have ..... if you want to get served in this shop," one of the clients said to me.



1) Bob: Would you like to listen to jazz music?

You:.....( express your dislike for this kind of music)

You:.....(suggest going to the cinema)

Write a letter to the editor of your favourite newspaper suggesting possible solutions to stop country people from moving to cities.

The Editor,  
The .....Newspaper,  
.....

[illegible]