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## **CORRIGÉ : WRITING**

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### **Conseils et recommandations**

**Exercice n° 1** : Il s'agit de corriger les six fautes soulignées en faisant appel à vos connaissances de l'orthographe et de la grammaire anglaises.

**Exercice n° 2** : vous voulez avoir une formation de trois ans dans les TIC (Technologies de l'Information et de la Communication). Rédigez alors une demande d'informations à Thameside Polytechnic à propos

- des frais d'inscription
- du coût global des cours
- de la date de la rentrée
- de la possibilité d'acquisition d'une bourse
- des aptitudes requises, etc.

Voici ci-après quelques conseils pratiques :

- 1 - Utilisez les données du sujet pour imaginer et écrire le scénario de votre lettre qui sera votre plan.
- 2 - Soyez bref (neuf lignes suffisent largement).
- 3 - Ne rédigez pas des phrases trop longues.
- 4 - Faites appel à vos connaissances à propos d'une demande d'informations.
- 5 - Enrichissez votre lettre par des "linkers" (mots de liaison) appropriés.
- 6 - Veillez à la cohérence au niveau des phrases.
- 7 - Relisez ce que vous écrivez pour corriger les fautes.

**I - READING COMPREHENSION (14 marks)**

**1 - Tick the most appropriate alternative. (1 mark)**

The text is about :

- a painful trip
- a trip to the moon
- an African astronaut.

**2 - Fill in the table with information about the flight. (3 marks) (1 x 3)**

Duration	Destination	Purpose	Number of crew
<i>Ten days</i>	<i>International Space Station</i>	<i>to exchange a new spacecraft ..... months</i>	<b>members</b>  <i>three</i>

**3 - For each of the following statements find one sentence in the text showing that it is FALSE. (2 marks) (1 x 2)**

- a) Shuttleworth did not need any special preparation for the trip *“Paragraph two”*  
*“has gone through months of tests and training”*  
*“he has prepared to be a useful member of the crew”*  
*“engaged in serious scientific and educational projects”*
- b) Shuttleworth was the first person to have paid for a trip into space  
*“Shuttleworth will be paying more than the \$ 20 million spent by the first space tourist Dennis Tito.*

**4 -**

**What do the underlined words in the text refer to ? (2 marks) (1 x 2)**

- a) “one” in paragraph 2 refers to *“spacecraft”* .
- b) “their” in paragraph 5 refers to *“fellow Africans”*.

**5 -**

**What do the underlined words in each sentence mean ? (2 marks) (1 x 2)**

**Tick a, b or c ( - ).**

- A Russian spacecraft bound for the international space station.
  - a) attached to
  - b) travelling to
  - c) launched from.
- I hope it will inspire many of my fellow Africans to believe in the power of their dreams.
  - a) oblige
  - b) train
  - c) encourage.

**6 -**

**Complete the following paragraph with words from the text. (3 marks) (1 x 3)**

For his *dream* to come true, Mark Shuttleworth paid not only the Russian space *agency* but also South African universities and researchers who prepared a number of *experiments* / *projects* for the crew to carry out during the flight.

**7 -**

**As an African citizen, do you share Mark Shuttleworth’s pride ? Say why or why not. (1 mark)**

**II - LANGUAGE (16 points)**

**1 - Fill in the blanks with words from the box below. There is one extra word. (4 marks)**

(0,5 x 8)

*evidence - research - like - skills - promotes - depends - than - take -*

Technology is just a tool, like books or a blackboard. Its effectiveness *depends* on how it is used. Right now, there is no *evidence* that merely putting computers in a classroom *promotes* learning or raises test scores. That's largely because too few teachers have been *trained* to integrate technology into the curriculum – even as a *research* tool. Instead, kids learn technical *skills* such as word-processing that *take* precious class time away from other far more important tasks *like* learning to read and write.

2 -

**Circle the right option. (4.5 marks) (0,5 x 9)**

A small local reading center was set up in our village and those who had already learnt to read would read out to the others, what was in the newspapers.

When my turn came (**attending** / ( **to attend** ) / **attend**) literacy classes, I studied very (**hardly** / **harder** / ( **hard** ) ) and in six months, I (**will be** / ( **was** ) / **would be**) able to read and write. Today, whenever I get newspapers, I enjoy (**read** / **to read** / ( **reading** ) ) them. It is like being ( ( **reborn** ) / **relieved** / **retired**) or like a blind man who has regained his ( ( **sight** ) / **view** / **spectacles**).

Now, there is a great difference and a lot of change (**will take** / ( **has taken** ) / **took**) place. When I was asked to (**print** / ( **sign** ) / **copy**) a document, I could only use my thumbprint and one never knew what one was signing. So now I feel (**challenged** / ( **confident** ) /

3 - **convenient**) and I have the ability to refuse or disagree.

**Match sentence parts (1 - 7) in column A with sentence parts (a - h) in B to obtain a**

A	B
1 Leary Elders died of salt poisoning after he - had been fed.	a eats nine grammes of salt a day. - adult food at the age of 3 months.
2 This tragic case has - But it is not just babies who are being	b been taken to court. - which causes the problem.
3 On average, an adult - But health experts say that reducing our	c- highlighted the potential danger of this d additive.
4 intake - It is sodium, one of the main components of	- triggers a rise in blood pressure. e killed by salt.
	- by a third would prevent many deaths.

<b>c o h e r e n t</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
<b>paragraph.</b>							

4 - **There is an extra sentence part in B. The sentence parts in column A are in the right order. Write the corresponding letters in the box below. (3.5 marks)**

**Put the words in brackets in the right tense or form. (4 marks) (0,5 x 8)**

Mobile phones have already revolutionised the way we talk allowing us to get in (**touching**) *touch* wherever we are. The mobile phone market is to (**explode**) *exploding* worldwide as both call rates and the (**costly**) *cost* of handsets keep falling.

**WRITING (10 marks)**

**1 - Six mistakes are underlined and numbered in the paragraph below. Correct them in the space provided. (3 marks) (0,5 x 6)**

Without water life could not exist. Because water is essential <u>in</u> ① all life, we must manage it intelligently <u>but</u> ② carefully. We think there is plenty of it in oceans, lakes, rivers and streams. It may even seem as <u>although</u> ③ we have <u>less</u> ④, water than we need. Water is essential in more ways <u>that</u> ⑤ you might think. Most of the water on earth is salt water <u>storing</u>	<b>Correction</b> ① to / for ② and ③ though / if ④ more ⑤ than ⑥ stored
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**2 - You would like to take a three-year course in ICT (Information Communication Technology) abroad. Write a letter to Thameside Polytechnic to enquire about admission fees, the overall cost of the course, when the course starts, the possibility of getting a scholarship, the qualifications required and any other details you would like to know. (7 marks).**

**DO NOT WRITE YOUR NAME OR ADDRESS**

The Registrar, Thameside Polytechnic, London SW2	P.O. Box 341, 1003 Tunis Tunisia
Dear Sir / Madam,	June 30, 2003
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- Les critères suivants seront pris en considération lors de la correction :
- 1) Adherence to content and fluency : 3 marks.**
  - 2) cohesion and language (vocabulary and grammar) : 3 marks.**
  - 3) Mechanical Accuracy (Spelling and Punctuation) : 1 mark.**