

BEPC BLANC du 14, 15 et 16 mars 2005

EPREUVE D'ANGLAIS

DUREE : 2H CLASSE : 3^{ème}A/ COMPREHENSION (10 marks)

Read this passage carefully and answer the questions that follow :

Text : "Country men, I would like to remind you all the importance of land in the life of ~~our~~ individual and of a people. What was the main cause of tribal wars of old ? Land ! Why did the forces of one tribe invade the territory of another tribe ? Land ! that was what led one tribe to invade another. Did God himself in the Bible not encourage the Israelites to wage war against certain neighbouring tribes ? -----"

"We must think first of our dear fatherland. We must fight now and always for the restoration of the land that was ours. Friends, in the name of the brave warriors of Ipaja of old, for the prestige of our dear fatherland, for the benefit of future generation, men and women, I enjoin you all to fight for the restoration of our native land" ./

"One man, one ~~ma~~thet", by T. M. ALUKO.

* QUESTIONS

choose the correct answer from the following statements.

- 1) The invasion of another territory was due to :
 - a) the country men
 - b) the life of an individual
 - c) the search of land
 - d) men and women.
- 2) What's the name of the speaker's fatherland ?
- 3) Their fatherland was invaded by ----- (Complete it.)
- 4) Could people kill one another during a land dispute in your village ? (Give a short answer).
By means of what do they usually commit the homicide ?
- 5) Give two uses of land.

B/ VOCABULARY (08 marks)

- I/ a) Find the synonyms of : 1) main 2) against (in the passage)
- b) Give the contraries of these words using the negative prefixes 3) allow 4) developed
- c) Form nouns from : 5) neighbouring 6) free.

NB: Make up three sentences with any three of the words you have found. (3 marks)

II/ Fill in the gaps with : whose, paused, who, wives, husbands, refused, cord of cloth.

TEXT: Advice to an eligible young man.

"My son, you are still young, but not too young. You can give a woman a child."
He ----- 1 ----- to clear his throat. "In my own time it was usual for the parents to find ----- 2 ----- for their sons. My father was dead even before I tied ----- 3 ----- round my waist, but it was one of my uncles ----- 4 ----- found a wife for me ..."
(2 marks)

C/ LANGUAGE AND USAGE (10 marks)

* Complete with : for, since, ago or from.

- 1) ----- when have you known her ?

* Fill in with the suitable preposition:

- 2) The charm prevented Gilbert's team ----- winning the match.

* Add a question - tag.

- 3) I'm a graduate, ----- ?

* Complete this sentence.

- 4) ----- unless it rains.

* Supply the correct tense of the verb in brackets.

- 5) If you had been in my place, (score) you that goal ?