

Level : 2ASLLE	2019/2020
English Test (second term)	Time / 2 hours

Name: **Surname:**

Television pictures are slowly beginning to show how great the damage is in Haiti following the huge earthquake on Tuesday. A magnitude 7.3 quake, just 16 km from the capital, hit the Caribbean nation as people were going after work. It was the worst earthquake to strike Haiti in more than two centuries. Much of the country has been devastated. Many major buildings in the capital Port-au-Prince have collapsed, including the Presidential Palace and the UN headquarters. Haiti's President Rene Preval described the scene in the capital as "unimaginable". The Red Cross says up to 3 million people have been affected. Mr. Preval fears "well over 100,000 people" may have died.

Haiti's ambassador to the USA, Raymond Joseph, said there was "no way of estimating" how many victims there were. Countries around the world are acting quickly to send whatever help they can to Haiti. US President Barack Obama has promised America will do all it can to help. He vowed "unwavering support" following a "particularly cruel" disaster. Haiti is one of the poorest countries in the world. More than half its people live below the poverty line on less than two dollars a day. It is one of the poorest-equipped countries on Earth to deal with such a catastrophe. The nation was still trying to recover from being hit by four deadly hurricanes in 30 days in 2008. Its economy is in ruins and it has a long history of corruption and coups.

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A/ Comprehension and Interpretation: (7pts)

1) Are the following statements True or False ? (2pts)

- The earthquake happened when people were sleeping.
- The President's Palace was in ruins after the earthquake.
- Haiti's ambassador to the US could estimate the number of victims.
- Most Haitians are rich.

2) Answer the following question according to the text : (3pts)

- What were most Haitians doing when the earthquake hit ?
.....
- How did President Barack Obama describe the earthquake, and what has he promised ?
.....
- Why is Haiti unable to face the earthquake ?
.....

3) What or who do the underlined words refer to ? (2pts)

- they ⇒ c) its ⇒
- it ⇒ d) it ⇒

B/ Text exploration: (8pts)

1) Find in the text words closest in meaning to the following : (2pts)

- a) harm (§1) = c) aid (§2) =
b) hit (§1) = d) get well (§2) =

2) Give the correct form of the verbs in brackets : (1.5pt)

- a) While, they (to have)..... dinner, they heard a loud noise in the area.
b) After they (to collect)..... money they gave it to the victims.
c) As soon as they (to hear)..... the call to volunteer they joined the movement.

3) Complete the following table : (1.5pt)

Verb	Noun	Adjective
.....		imaginable
.....	danger	
to help		

4) Ask the question that the underlined information answer : (1.5pt)

- a) Countries around the world are acting quickly.
.....
b) The huge earthquake caused terrible suffering and damage.
.....

5) Write sentence “b” so that it means the same as sentence : (2pts)

- a) Many victims were taken to hospital.
b) They
a) He asks: “Do you know the meaning of the word Tsunami?”
b) He asks them
a) Much of the country has been devastated by the earthquake.
b) The earthquake
a) If I were you I would take part in charitable activities.
b) You

6) Fill in the gaps with words from the list : (1.5pt)

Protect / volunteers / humanitarian / founded

The international Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement is an international movement with approximately 97 million It was to human life and health, to ensure respect for all human beings, and to reduce human suffering.

B/ Writing : Choose only one topic (5pts)

Topic one : You were a witness of a disaster write a paragraph to narrate the event : (use these notes to help you).

- Date and place of the event - Where were you - What happened - The number of victims / rescue team.

Topic two : You certainly know fairy tales. Narrate one and tell us about the moral you can draw from it.

Answers (Test 2LE)

A/ Comprehension4) Are the statements True or False : b) a web site

a) false / b) true / c) false / d) false

5) Answer the questions :

a) Most Haitians were going home after work. When the earthquake hit.

b) Barak Obama described the earthquake as a cruel disaster.

c) Haiti is unable to face the earthquake because it is of the poorest countries in the world. The nation is still recovering from being hit by four deadly hurricanes in 30 days in 2008.

6) What do the underlined words refer to ?

they ⇒ countries around the world / it ⇒ America / its ⇒ Haiti / it ⇒ Haiti

B/ Text exploration1) Words closest in meaning :

a) harm ⇒ damage / b) hit ⇒ strike / c) ⇒ help / d) get well ⇒ recover

2) Give the correct form of the verbs :

a) were having / b) had collected / c) they had heard

3) Complete the table :

Verb	Noun	Adjective
imagine	imagination	imaginable
endanger	danger	dangerous endangered
help	help	helped / helpful / helpless

4) Ask questions :

a) How are countries acting?

b) What did the Earthquake cause?

5) a) They took the victims to hospital?

b) The Earthquake has devastated the country.

c) You (should / had better) take part in charitable activities.

6) a) humanitarian / b) volunteers / c) founded / d) protect