

ENGLISH 2nd TERM EXAMINATIONLevel : 1st Year

Streams : Scientific and Literary

Timing : 2 hours

PART ONE : READING (15 pts)**A-Comprehension (8pts)****Read the text carefully and do the activities.**

Beach pollution is an international issue. In the year 2002, it caused at least 12,184 closings of beaches in USA. This issue is hazardous to both people's health and the environment. ¹

Pollution in ^{beach} USA beaches results from high levels of harmful microorganisms found in untreated sewage released directly or indirectly in rivers, seas and oceans. As sewage is full of bacteria and viruses, swimming in water contaminated with sewage can cause respiratory illness and ear, nose or throat infections. Fish grown in sewage-contaminated waters can cause food poisoning because they concentrate toxins in their ² tissues.

Additionally, people at the beach leave behind them trash and litter, mainly composed of, bottles, cans, cigarette filters, and plastic bags. This litter kills wildlife, and costs millions of dollars to clear it up. Besides, turtles mistake plastic bags for jellyfish and eat them. Thus, they block their stomachs, which often leads to death from starvation. Seabirds mistake floating plastic litter for food, and over 90% of them were found dead with plastic in their stomachs. ³

From www.usatoday.com

1-Write the letter that corresponds to the right answer :

(1pt)

The text is taken from :

- a) A magazine
- b) The internet
- c) A newspaper
- d) A prospectus

2- Are these statements true or false? Write T or F next to the letter corresponding to the statement.

- a- Pollution of beaches is not harmful. (0.5 pt)
- b- Sewage released in seas doesn't contain bacteria or viruses. (0.5 pt) ²
- c- Turtles eat plastic bags by mistake. (0.5 pt)
- d- Plastic bags are safe for turtles and seabirds. (0.5 pt)

3- Answer the following statements according to text:

- 1- Is beach pollution caused by man? if yes, justify. (1 pt)
- 2- How can fish affect people's health? (1 pt)

4- Read the text and match each sentence with its corresponding paragraph.

(1.5 pts)

A-Swimming in sewage-contaminated water causes a lot of diseases.	§1
B-Litter left on the beach kills animals.	§2
C-Pollution in beaches cause a problem to the U.S.A.	§3

5- Who/ what do the underlined words refer to in the text ?

(1.5 pts)

a-This issue (§1)

b- they (§2)

c- their (§3)

B-Text exploration: (7 pts)

1-Find in the text words that are opposites to the following .

(1pt)

a- safe (§1)

b- treated (§2)

2-Complete the chart as shown in the example.

(2 pts)

Ineffective – harmless – unspeakable

	Prefix	Root	Suffix
Example	Un	finish	ed

3-Rewrite sentence (b) so that it means the same as sentence (a).

(2 pts)

1- a) The minister declared: "A lot of volunteers have cleaned the beach."

b) The minister declared.....

2- a) Water is polluted; therefore, seabirds are stuck in oil spills.

b) Because of.....

4-Classify the following words according to their stressed syllable.

(1 pt)

Ecological - pollute - fiction - human

1 st syllable	2 nd syllable	3 rd syllable

5- Fill in the gaps with words from the list.

(1pt)

wastes - discharged - pollutants - stop

Water pollution occurs when(1)..... are(2)..... in rivers and seas. In order to save marine life we have to(3)..... factories from throwing their(4)..... in water.

Part two: WRITTEN EXPRESSION

(5 pts)

Choose **one** of the following topics:

Topic One:

Water pollution has become a serious problem nowadays.

Write a composition of about 80 to 120 words in which you suggest some solutions to reduce the consequences of water pollution in your country.

You may use the following notes:

Volunteering to clean beaches - Stop throwing factories' wastes in rivers - Checking boats transporting oil - Recycling trash.

Topic Two:

Write a composition of about 80 words on the following topic:

Do teenagers practise sport nowadays? Why?