

SECOND TERM EXAM**PART ONE: READING COMPREHENSION (15pts)***Read the text carefully then answer the questions***EATING OUT OF CONTROL**

America has one of the world's highest rate of obesity. A study by the National Centre for Health Statistics revealed this year that one third of US adults are severely overweight -20% or more above their ideal body weight – compared to one fourth before the 1980's. This happened during a decade in which big numbers of Americans turned to sport. But in the 90's as the fitness craze decreases, it's clear that the nation's favourite sport is watching games on TV while eating.

Three of the country's top dinner foods are basically fast food: pizza, tacos and hot dogs, all full of fat and artificial ingredients. After dinner, many Americans continue to eat in front the TV. In the average American home, the TV is on for over seven hours each day. And TV advertising sends out a powerful message: EAT MORE. "Food commercials are especially timed to when children are watching," says Stark. "And these foods aren't fruits and vegetables. They are a 'Get a triple cheese burger!' kind of message"

The good news is that gradually, Americans are making efforts to eat more healthfully. Like their European cousins. The bad news is that the Europeans are eating more and like Americans. Mc Donald's already has 350 restaurants in France alone, and that number is expected to rise to 480 within a year

*(Adapted from the net)***A. Comprehension and Interpretation:****(7pts)****1. What type of passage is it?****(01pt)****a- a report****b- a biography****c- a letter****2. Are the following statements true or false?****(2pts)****a- America has the lowest rate of obesity****b- American's basic food is fast food****c- Americans enjoy practicing sport after dinner****d- TV advertisements encourage eating unhealthy food****3. Answer these questions according to the text :****(03pts)****a- Do Americans still enjoy practicing sport ?explain****b- What do they like eating the most?****d- How much time do Americans' spend in front of their TV set?****4. What or whom do the underlined words refer to in the text?****(01pt)****a) Their (§1)****b) all (§2)**