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| Second Term Exam Of English             | Full name : .....                |

## PART ONE: READING

(14pts.)

*Read the text carefully then do the activities.*

Nations around the world are preparing for a possible major outbreak of a new deadly virus. The corona virus, which started in the Chinese city of Wuhan, has already killed more than 2700 people till now. It has spread to some countries such as: USA, Japan, Korea, Italy, .... etc. More than 80239 people have caught the virus and are in hospitals. The World Health Organization (WHO) is meeting to decide whether the outbreak is a global health emergency.

The new corona virus is suspected to have come from illegally traded animals in Wuhan markets. The virus mutated and spread from an animal to a human. Moreover, there are fears it could spread further. Scientists say: “the virus is contagious and can be passed from person to person through the air”. Dr Linfa Wang, a virologist at the Duke-National University of Singapore, said: “the new corona virus is in the same family as SARS, but it's different from SARS”. Common signs of infection include respiratory symptoms, fever, cough, and breathing difficulties. In more severe cases, infection can cause pneumonia, severe acute respiratory syndrome, kidney failure and even death. Fu Ning, a 36 year old woman from Beijing, said: “I feel fearful because there's no cure for the virus up today these days.”

Standard recommendations to prevent infection spread include regular hand washing, covering mouth and nose when coughing and sneezing, thoroughly cooking meat and eggs. Avoid close contact with anyone showing symptoms of respiratory illness such as coughing and sneezing.

To limit the spread of the virus, the Chinese authorities have implemented a number of extraordinary control measures across the country such as: cancelling the New Year celebrations, closing cinemas and the international airport of Wuhan Tianhe, suspending public transportation and enhancing the surveillance system.

COVID-19, 25 February 2020 ([Adapted](#) from the internet)

### A/ COMPREHENSION

(7pts.)

1/ Circle the letter that corresponds to the right answer.

✓ The type of discourse is: a- narrative                      b - descriptive                      c- expository

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

a-The number of victims is decreasing rapidly.....

b-Corona virus has the same symptoms of SARS virus.....

c- Scientists found a cure for the virus .....

d- We'd better not to keep in touch with someone suffering from corona disease.....

3/ Reorder the ideas below according to their occurrence in the text.

a-Precautions taken by the Chinese government to lessen the spread of the virus.

b- The main cause of the appearance of the corona virus .

c-Some pieces of advice to avoid contagion.

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4/ Answer the following questions according to the text.

a- How many people are hospitalized because of catching corona virus?

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b- How can people avoid getting infected? .....

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c- Why did the Chinese authorities close international airports?

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

a-which (§2 ) .....                      b- I (§2 ) .....

**B/TEXT EXPLORATION****(7pts.)****1/ Find in text words whose definitions are the followings:**

a-Being able to spread from one person or organism to another by direct or indirect contact. (§2) .....

b-Physical or mental signs which shows that you could have a health problem. (§2) .....

**2/ Complete the following chart as shown in the example.**

| Verb     | Noun    | Adjective   |
|----------|---------|-------------|
| To kill  | Killing | Killed      |
| .....    | Fear    | .....       |
| To limit | .....   | .....       |
| .....    | .....   | Respiratory |

**3/ Rewrite sentence 'b' so that it means the same as sentence 'a.'**

1- a. The corona virus has already killed lots of people.

b. lots of people .....

2- a. It's necessary to avoid close contact with anyone showing corona virus symptoms.

b. We .....

**4/ Put the verbs between brackets in the right form.**

a-If the authorities (take)..... serious measures, it (to limit) ..... the spread of virus.

b- People (affect).....by the corona virus everyday.

c-If you( boil ).....water at 100°C, it (evaporate).....

**5/ Circle the stressed syllable in the following words.**

epidemics - virus - infection - university

**WRITTEN EXPRESSION:** Choose only one topic:**(6pts.)****Topic one:** “*Thanks to science, life is becoming much easier.*” Write a

paragraph in which you speak about how science has facilitated our life

in the following fields: transportation, medicine and communication

- Transportation (planes, cars, .. etc.)

- Communication (internet, smart phones, ... etc.)

- Medicine(cures for killer disease)

**Topic two:** Imagine that you have received a letter from your friend who has just discovered that s/he has diabetes and who feels depressed about that. Write a reply to your friend's letter to show him/her your sympathy, convince him/her not to lose hope and give him pieces of advice to deal with his/her diabetes**Topic:**.....

*Best of Luck my dearest*