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**Sujet** : **ANGLAIS (Candidats nationaux)** **Coefficient** : **02**

**Date** : **06 Juillet 2017**

**Option** : **A**

**Durée** : **2h30** **Catégorie** : **I**

**A.READING COMPREHENSION** (7pts)

**Read the text carefully and answer the questions**

**TEXT: ISALO NATIONAL PARK**

1 Isalo National Park is situated in the Ihorombe Region, in the southern part of Madagascar. The park is known for its wide variety of terrain, including sandstone formations, deep canyons, a palm-lined oasis and grasslands. The closest town is Ranohira, the closest cities are Toliara and Ihosy.

5 Isalo National Park was created in 1962 and has been administered by Madagascar National Park Authority since 1997. The Bara people, a nomadic population subsisting on cattle farming, have traditionally inhabited this area. This region has a tropical dry climate with seasonal rainfall.

10 A total of 340 fauna species are known to inhabit the area, including 82 tropical species of birds, 33 species of reptiles, 15 species of frogs and 14 species of mammals.

A local guide is required for visitors. It is not easy to go alone in the park. Porters can be needed in Ranohira. Treks\* in the park can last from several hours to a week or longer. The park includes several natural swimming pools which are popular among tourists. The main threat to this park is the practice of slash and burn which limits the extent of the forest.

\*Trek= long, hard journey, especially on foot.

## QUESTIONS

### I-Guessing words(0,5pt x2) = 1pt

- 1- Find a word having the same meaning as “**large**” in the following sentences: “the park is known for its wide variety of terrain, including sandstone formations, deep canyons, a palm-lined oasis and grasslands .The closest town is Ranohira, the closest cities are Toliara and Ihosy.”(Lines 2-4)
- 2- Find the opposite of «wet” in the following sentences:

*“The Bara people have traditionally inhabited this area, a nomadic people subsisting on cattle farming. This area has a tropical dry climate with seasonal rainfall.” (Lines 6-8)*

### II- Fill in the blanks with the appropriate linking words :(0,5pt x2) = 1pt)

- 1- The closest town is Ranohira.....the closest cities are Toliara and Ihosy.
- 2- A local guide is required for visitors.....it is not easy to go alone in the park.

### III-Answer the following question: (1pt)

What was the original activity of the inhabitants of the region?

### IV-Classify the following ideas according to the order they appear in the text :( 0,5x4=2pts)

- a- History of Isalo National Park?
  - b- Isalo National Park is a nice place for tourism.
  - c- The fauna of Isalo National Park
  - d- The geographical situation of Isalo National Park.
- 1)..... 2)..... 3)..... 4).....

**V-say if you agree or disagree with the statement: “People practising slash and burn should be severely punished in order to save National parks”. Give the two reasons :(2pts)**

I agree with it because:

- a).....
- b).....

OR

I disagree with it because:

- a).....
- b).....

**B-GRAMMAR IN USE**(2PTS)

**Fill in the blanks with the appropriate grammatical items so as to get the text restored:**(0,25pt x 8= 2pts)

A young man wanted to do a test of HIV/AIDS before getting married .So, he went ...1....hospital. Then, he asked the responsible what he must do to know....2....he was carrying HIV virus or not. The responsible told ....3... to come the following day. The next day, he returned to the centre....4... did the test. When he was back to the centre after two days, he was told ...5... he had no HIV virus. ....6....young man was very happy to get the news. Finally, he told....7.... girlfriend the good news. Then ...8.....decided to get married the following year.

1..... 2.....3..... 4..... 5..... 6..... 7..... 8.....

**C-INDIRECT TEST OF SPEAKING** (4pts)

I-Match the sentences in column X with those in column Y (0, 25 x 8=2 pts.)

X	Y
1- Is it already noon?	A-No, a cup of tea, please!
2- Here is my pencil-case	B-So long!
3- Some juice?	C-Alas! He’s been sent to hospital.
4- Didn’t you receive my message?	D- You’re mistaken, it’s mine.
5- We’re waiting for my brother	E- I have an appointment, just now.
6- Hurry up, please!	F- No, just twenty past eleven.
7- See you soon!	G- At the secretary’s office.
8- Where did you put my bag?	H- Sorry, I’ve lost my phone.
	I-I cannot, my leg hurts.

1-..... 2-..... 3-..... 4-..... 5-..... 6-.....  
7-..... 8-.....

**II-Build up a dialogue from the following situation:** (0,5pt x4= 2pts)

Jane has just lost her passport. She asks her friend Anna for advice. Anna advises her to go to the police station. Jane accepts her advice and thanks her. Anna replies to her thanks.

Jane:.....  
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Anna:.....  
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Jane:.....

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Anna:.....

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**D-WRITING COMPOSITION (7pts)**

Your school has organized a reforestation during the last school days celebration.

Write to your penfriend about it, telling him about: -the place

-the activities

-the advantages of planting trees

(About 80 to 100 words)

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Dear Toky,

Yours sincerely,

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