



December:2025	Level: 3ASLLE	Duration : 2h
<u>First term English exam</u>		

PART ONE: Reading (14 points)

A/ Comprehension

Read the text carefully then do the activities.

Ancient China was one of the most amazing civilizations in history. In the 5th century B .C, it was made of several rival kingdoms. These were conquered by the king of the state of Qin, who became the first Emperor in 221 B.C. The Chinese people became unified as one kingdom, **which** lasted for about 2,000 years. It was one of the most advanced civilizations the world had ever seen .The Chinese civilization was associated with the rule of emprs,or monarchs who ruled the whole of China ,and often neighbouring regions as well .

As this civilization grew bigger ,there was a huge development in agriculture , this resulted in settled life which produced surplus or stored goods .As more and more culture came into close contact ,the need to defense arose , and communities were walled -in for protection against exterior invasions and wars .

Under the Chinese kingdom, education was highly prized, and the arts, especially music and painting, grew and flourished. The Ancient Chinese were also great scientists , **their** inventions of cast iron and gunpowder were centuries ahead of the rest of the world. China also developed a system of writing, various beliefs about heaven and the cosmos , as well as technological breakthroughs that allowed for political control and economic expansion

In the late 9th century a disastrous harvest precipitated by drought brought famine to China under the rule of the Tang dynasty .The collapse of the Chinese civilization coincided with that of the Mayan civiization-both due to extreme drought .Also ,the weakened central government made it easy for Hun invasion, while overtaxing peasants made it easier for invaders to subject them under their rule.

1) Say whether the following statements are true or false according to the text 2pts

- The Chinese first lived in separate rival kingdoms.
- The Chinese civilization witnessed a great development in agriculture .
- The ancient Chinese were not advanced in the field of science .
- The Chinese civilization coincided with the fall of phoenicians .

2) In which paragraph is it mentioned « Music and painting flourished in China ?0,5pt

3) Answer the following questions according to the text 3pts

- How long did the Chinese civilization last far ?
- What scientific inventions did the Chinese make ?
- Did the Chinese civilization collapse because of famine only ? justify

4)What or who do the underlined words refer to in the text 1pt

- a) Which (1§) b) their (3§)

5)Choose the best title for the text 0,5pt

- a)The scientific achievements of the Chinese civilization
b)The rise and fall of the Chinese civilization
c)The spread of the Chinese civilization

B/Text Exploration

1)Find in the text words or phrases whose definitions follow 1,5pts

- a) To have authority or control over people, place or organization (1§)
b) A severe and widespread shortage of food (4§)

2) Divide the following words into roots and affixes 1,5pts

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Prefix	Root	Suffix

3)Ask questions that the underlined words answer 2pts

- a) The Chinese civilization collapsed due to famine and drought .
b) Chinese sailors created maps to navigate the south China sea.

4)Classify the folowing words according to the pronunciation af their final s 1pt

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5) Reorder the following sentences to get a coherent paragraph 1pt

- a)overcome them through various creative means .
b)such as wars ,natural disasters ,famine and diseases.
c)Despite these obstacles,they were able to resist and
d)Ancient civilisations faced numerous challenges in their times,

WRITTEN EXPRESSION 6pts

Topic one : Islamic civilization is one of the greatest civilizations that humanity had ever seen.Use the notes below to write an article of about 80 to 120words in which you analyze the causes that led to the collapse of Islamic caliphate.

-internal conflicts /tribes seeking power ethnic disputes

-Large area /not easy to control /protect

-external invasion crusade compaigns by European countries

- appearance of colonialism in Europe /fall of the Ottoman Empire

Topic two : Algeria has many valuable sites (Tipaza ruins, the Casbah, Timgad...); however, some people are not aware of their historical and cultural value. As a member of a history club, write an article of about **80 to 120 words** for your local newspaper to inform your fellow citizens about the importance of these cultural sites and show how to preserve them.

Topic two

Correction

Reading comprehension

1) *True or false*

a)true b) true c) false d>false

2) *in paragraph 3*

3) *Answer the questions*

a) The Chinese civilization lasted for about 2000years

b) The Chinese made scientific inventions like cast , iron and gunpowder

c) No, the Chinese civilization also collapsed because of droughts and the weakened central government

4) which :one kingdom their : the ancient Chinese

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Text Exploration)

1)Find in the text words or phrases whose definitions follow 1,5pts

c) To have authority or control over people, place or organization (1§) ruled

d) A severe and widespread shortage of food (4§) famine

2) Divide the following words into roots and affixes 1,5pts

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3)Ask questions that the underlined words answer 2pts

a) The Chinese civilization collapsed due to famine and drought .

Why did the chinese civilization collapse ?)

b)Chinese sailors created maps to navigate the south China sea.

Who created maps to navigate the south China sea ?

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4)Classify the folowing words according to the pronunciation af their final s 1pt

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5) Reorder the following sentences to get a coherent paragraph 1pt

- a) overcome them through various creative means . 4
- b) such as wars ,natural disasters ,famine and diseases. 2
- c) Despite these obstacles,they were able to resist and 3
- d) Ancient civilisations faced numerous challenges in their times, 1