

LYCEE D'EXCELLENCE

Année Scolaire: 2016-2017 Composition de: Anglais

Classes: Terminales C & D

PREMIER SEMESTRE

Durée: 3 Heures

Text: Self- destruction?

"We who sign this appeal are scientists from many countries, of various races, different creeds and different political convictions. But we all share the privilege of having been awarded the Nobel prize.

"We have been happy to devote a life- time to the service of science, for we think that science is a way to a fuller life for mankind. But we are alarmed when realizing that it is this very science which now provides man with the means of self – destruction.

"By total war and the use of now available weapons the world may become so infested with radio- activity that war would result in this destruction of whole nations, annihilating both neutrals and belligerents.

"Should the big powers engage in war, who can guarantee that it will not develop into such a deadly struggle? Thus any nation engaging in total war invites its own destruction and endangers the whole world.

"We do not deny that it is the fear of these destructive weapons by which peace is maintained at present in the world. Yet we think it extremely deceptive for any government to believe that fear of such weapons will, in the long run, prevent wars. On the contrary, fear and tensions have only too often led to the outbreak of wars. Likewise it also seems to us self- deception to imagine that minor conflicts could still be settled by employing the traditional weapons. No warring nation will, in times of extreme danger, deny itself the use of any weapons that scientific techniques can supply.

"Thus all nations must arrive at the decision voluntarily to renounce force as the last recourse in foreign policy . For they will cease to exist if they are not prepare to do so."

THE WORLD TODAY: Tle. Pages 96 -97.

A) Comprehension:

1) Read the text and answer to the questions:

5pts

- a) How is science a way to fuller life for mankind?
- b) Why did these scientists sign this appeal?
- c) What purpose are the destructive weapons said to serve in the world today?
- d) Could the use of traditional weapons settle conflicts?
- e) How could war endanger the whole world?
- 2) Vocabulary: find words in the text with the same meaning as: 1.25pts
- a) at one's disposal; b) set of beliefs; c) demolishing; d) refuse; d) receive;
- 3) Say whether these sentences are true or false:

1.25pts

- a) Those who sign this appeal are Nobel's friends.
- b) The world is already infested with radio- activity.
- c) The scientists believe that fear and tensions led to war.
- d) Minor conflicts can be settled by using traditional weapons.
- e) Each nation should use force in foreign policy.

B) Linguistic competence:

1) put the verb into the correct tense.

2.5pts

- a) I would not do this if I (be)you.
- b) He spoke about London as if he (go)there.
- c) look this boy (play) football well.
- d) if you have finished your diner, I (ask) for the bill.
- e) they (study) art for a long time.

2) Use the correct expression to complete the sentences:

2.5pts

- a) My mother is older than me .(more , most , much.)
- b) Which of your boys is(the older, the oldest, more old) ?
- c) The weather is getting(more colder; colder and colder, many colder)
- d) It is better to say nothing. (much , most , more.) many-colder)
- e) The (less; least ; little) is said about it the better.

3) Correct mistakes in these sentences:

2.5pts

- a) His car is said be an old fashioned one.
- b) We have been understanding the present tense since the third year.
- c) He says he is believing in what I am saying.
- d) Love adds a good seen to the eyes..
- e) He is teaching French and learns English.

C- Writing:

2.5pts

Make a paragraph.

How can science change positively the way we are living? (at least 150 words)