



LYCEE D'EXCELLENCE

Année Scolaire: 2017-2018

PREMIER SEMESTRE

Deuxième Série

Devoir de: Anglais

Classes: Secondes C₁ & C₂

Durée : 2 Heures

A) Comprehension:

1) Read the text and answer the questions: 5pts

Suddenly I stopped playing, my whole attention fixed on a snake that was creeping round the hut. He really seemed to be "taking a turn" round the hut. After a moment I went over to him. I had taken in my hand a reed that was lying in the yard. There were always some lying around; they used to get broken off the fence of plaited reeds that marked the boundary of our compound—and I thrust this reed into the reptile's mouth. The snake did not try to get away: he was beginning to enjoy our little game; he was slowly swallowing the reed; he was devouring it, I thought, as if it were some delicious prey, his eyes glittering with voluptuous bliss; and inch by inch his head was drawing nearer to my hand. At last the reed was almost entirely swallowed up, and the snake's jaws were terribly close to my fingers.

I was laughing, I had not the slightest fear, and now I know that the snake would not have hesitated much longer before burying his fangs in my fingers if, at that moment, Damany, one of the apprentices, had not come out of the workshop. The apprentice shouted to my father, and almost at once I felt myself lifted off my feet. I was safe in the arms of one of my father's friend!

Camara Laye; *The African Child* : p, 11.

- What was moving slowly round the boy's hut?
- Was the boy afraid of the reptile? Support your answer.
- Did the snake bite the boy?
- Who saw the boy and the reptile?
- How was the boy rescued?

2) Say whether these sentences are true or false: 2.5pts

- The snake comes up to the boy.
- The boy hit the snake with a reed.
- The snake buried his fangs in the boy's fingers.
- Damany came out of his bed-room.
- The boy was not safe after all.

B) Linguistic competence.

1) Correct errors in these sentences. 2.5pts

- Ali has just goes on a business trip to London.
- The students take an English test now.
- Abdou is driven his father's car.
- He flown to London yesterday.
- Cat ate mice.

2) Ask questions for which the words in bold type are the answers. 5pts

- He **bought** the candy in Marina market.
- They saw the film **yesterday**.
- Ali** will write the letter.
- He broke **five** eggs.
- He went **on foot** yesterday

C) Writing: 5pts

You have gone to a marriage ceremony. Describe what has happened on the day the marriage is celebrated. (Make a paragraph of 125 words).