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SERIES : (SVT, SES, SMP)

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EXAMENS DE FIN D'ÉTUDES SECONDAIRES

ANGLAIS



Investement

Consignes : 1. L'usage de la calculatrice programmable est interdit  
3. Le téléphone est interdit dans les salles

2. Le silence est obligatoire

Durée de l'épreuve : 2 heures 30

I. Compétence Interprétative (30pts.)

Reading comprehension

A- Answer the following questions in complete sentences after reading the text below. (20pts.)

Harry Potter

Joanne Kathleen Rowling was born in Chipping Sodbury in 1965. She spent her childhood near Bristol. Two of the children she played with were called Potter, a name she liked very much. At school she wasn't good at sports, but she was very imaginative and very interested in languages and she wrote her first story when she was five or six years old. When she was nine years old, she had a school teacher who terrified her.

After school, she studied French at Exeter University and spent one year in Paris. In 1992 she went to Portugal to teach English. Her marriage to a Portuguese TV journalist ended in divorce and she returned to Britain with her daughter. They settled in Edinburgh. She was out of work and she spent her time writing.

The idea of telling the story of a boy who was a wizard came to her in 1990. She continued working on the story for several years and finished her novel when she was in Edinburgh. Then she sent it to many publishers who rejected it. Finally in 1996, Bloomsbury Children's Book bought her novel Harry Potter and the Philosopher's stone. It was published in 1997 and immediately became a best-seller. Writing is now J.K. Rowling's full time job.

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Questions

1. How old was Joanne Kathleen when she wrote her first story?
2. Where did Kathleen meet her husband?
3. What is the origin of Harry Potter's name?
4. When was her novel published?
5. Why did the author travel to Portugal?

B- Summarize the text in three (3) complete sentences. (5pts.)

II. Compétence linguistique (30pts.)

A- Choose the best answer among the possibilities below. (10pts.)

1. I'll take my umbrella \_\_\_\_\_ it should rain later today.  
a- so that                      b- in case                      c- in order
2. You \_\_\_\_\_ get up early tomorrow. There is no work.  
a- can't                      b- mustn't                      c- don'
3. Terry had difficulty in \_\_\_\_\_ foreign languages at school.  
a- learn                      b- to learn                      c- learning
4. The bank \_\_\_\_\_ by the time I got there.  
a- had closed                      b- closed                      c- closes
5. Paul talks to Tina when I saw him.  
a- is talking                      b- was talking                      c- talks

B- Change these sentences to active or passive voice. (10pts.)

1. A new bicycle was given to Billy by his father.
2. They will not deliver the new sofa on Friday.
3. These books were published by an international company.
4. Edward has not recorded a new song.

5. The dog was chasing the cat around the house.

**C- Form the comparative of the adjectives in these phrases and use the phrases in the sentences below. (10pts.)**

a good idea – a big house – a healthy climate – a young man – a good job.

1. Perhaps we could afford it if we got \_\_\_\_\_.
2. California certainly has \_\_\_\_\_ than New York.
3. When the children get a bit older, we'll really need \_\_\_\_\_.
4. I'm getting too old. This is a job for \_\_\_\_\_.
5. I'm sure it won't work. Can't you come up with \_\_\_\_\_?

**III. Compétence Interpersonnelle et organisationnelle (20pts.)**

**Problem solving situation**

Joan is a college student. She works part time to pay for her expenses. She works during the week from 6:00 until 11:00 four nights a week. Joan comes home at around midnight, and then she studies until 3:00 in the morning. On the weekend, she sleeps late to catch up on her sleep. Now her boss has told her that she needs someone to work on Saturdays and Sundays from 7:00 until 3:00 PM. Joan is worried that she won't get enough sleep, but she doesn't want to lose her job. Joan wants your advice....

**IV. Compétence discursive et argumentative (20 pts.)**

Choose one of the two topics below then write a ten-line paragraph about it.

- 1- The number of road accidents keeps growing, what are, in your opinion, the causes of most of them? What measures could or should be taken to increase safety on the road?
- 2- Are you afraid of walking in the streets at night? Why?