

امتحان بكالوريا التعليم الثانوي (دورة جوان 2005)

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Section One : reading Comprehension (07 pts)

Read the following text carefully and do the activities.

Human Population Growth

Population growth is not simply due to an increase in births but to the excess of births over deaths. Improvements in public health and medicine around the world encourage population growth by enabling people to live longer.

Many economists say that economic development is the key to slowing population growth. In developing nations, where many people farm for a living, there is an economic advantage to having several children. When societies become economically and technologically advanced, however, modern agricultural techniques enable the production of the same amount of food using the labor of fewer people. In such societies, large families are unnecessary. As a result, family size drops. This so-called demographic transition has helped reduce the growth of populations in the wealthier, industrialized nations.

Unfortunately, a rapidly expanding population can by itself prevent a developing nation from improving its economy. A nation's people can become poorer when its population growth is higher than its economic growth.

- 1 – How many indirect quotations are there in the above passage ?
- 2 – Are these statements true or false? On your answer sheet write T or F next to the sentence letter.
 - a) The population increases because the birth rate is lower than the death rate.
 - b) People live longer thanks to progress made by public health and medicine.
 - c) Many economists believe that economic development will increase population growth.
 - d) Large families are not needed in developed countries.
- 3 – In which paragraph is it mentioned that mechanized farming has helped to produce more food with less farmers ?
- 4 – Answer these questions according to the text.
 - a) Why does the number of births exceed the number of deaths ?
 - b) How can economic development help slow population growth ?
- 5 – Find in the text words or phrases that are closest in meaning to the following :
 - a) caused by (§ 1) b) motivate (§ 1) c) decreases (§ 2) d) quickly (§ 3)
- 6 – Find in the text words or phrases opposite in meaning to the following :
 - a) decline (§ 1) b) drawback (§ 2) c) poorer (§ 2) d) lower (§ 3)

Section two : Mastery of language (08 pts)

- 1 – Supply punctuation and capitals where necessary.
overpopulation continues to deplete croplands fisheries water resources and energy supplies.
- 2 – Which verbs can be derived from these nouns ?
production – excess – industry – starvation
- 3 – Give the correct form of the verbs in brackets.
a) Couples (desire) to have children since antiquity.
b) They have agreed that when they get married, they (practise) family planning.
- 4 – Rewrite sentence (2) so that it means the same as sentence (1) :
a) 1 – “ The population of the industrialized nations is ageing,” an expert says.
2 – An expert says
b) 1 – We must draw a clear dividing line between contraception and abortion.
2 – A clear dividing line
c) 1 – Children are seen as a blessing in the Third World.
2 – People
d) 1 – An economist said the medical advances had considerably lowered the mortality rate.
2 – An economist said, “ ”
- 5 – Fill in each gap with ONE word so that the text makes sense.
The human population is(a)..... in many regions simply(b)..... people lack awareness of(c)..... control or the ability to limit the size of their(d).....
- 6 – Classify the following words according to the pronunciation of final “ ed ”.
developed – improved – limited – advanced.

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Section three : Written expression (05 pts)

Choose ONE of the following topics :

Either One: This is a conversation between A and B. Complete what B says.

A : I think getting many children is a gift from God.

B :

A : But the economic crisis is not going to last for very long.

B :

A : I don't agree. When I get older, they will help me.

B :

A : If they don't get any job, God will help.

B :

Or two :

In about 80 words, write a summary of the reading passage on page 1 .