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**EXAMENS D'ADMISSION AUX GYMNASSES VAUDOIS  
SESSION 2022**

**ÉCOLE DE CULTURE GÉNÉRALE ET ÉCOLE DE COMMERCE  
(+MPI)**

**BRANCHE :** ANGLAIS  
**SIGLE :** EXAD-1C/1E-ANG-02  
**EXAMEN :** ÉCRIT

**Durée :** 3 heures

**Matériel autorisé :** néant.

**Consignes :**

- Le candidat rédige les réponses à l'encre de façon soignée.
- Les feuilles de brouillon sont remises avec l'épreuve.
- Les feuilles doivent rester agrafées.

**Partie technique :** \_\_\_\_\_ / **30 pts**

**Partie compréhension :** \_\_\_\_\_ / **27 pts**

**Partie expression :** \_\_\_\_\_ / **26 pts**

**Pondération :** **partie technique 20%, partie compréhension 40% et partie expression 40% de la note finale**

**1. PARTIE TECHNIQUE** (20%)**total points: \_\_\_\_\_ / 30 pts**

**Exercise 1 – For each sentence, choose the correct answer A, B, C or D. Write your answer in the space provided.** \_\_\_\_\_ / 24 pts

<p><i>Example: He didn't ..... what he had to do for homework.</i>  <i>a) understood    b) understand    c) understands    d) understated</i></p>	<b>B</b>
<p>1. My father works with two other .....  a) men                    b) colleague            c) mans                    d) woman</p>	
<p>2. I ..... my new colleague yesterday.  a) know                    b) met                    c) have met                d) knew</p>	
<p>3. Melanie and John ..... to work every day.  a) are driving            b) drives                    c) drive                    d) driven</p>	
<p>4. Excuse me? How much .....?  a) costs this watch      b) does this watch cost    c) is this watch costing    d) this watch costs</p>	
<p>5. .... is the second day of the week.  a) Wednesday            b) Thursday                c) Sunday                    d) Tuesday</p>	
<p>6. Sarah can't come to the phone because she ..... a shower.  a) is taking                b) having                    c) takes                    d) have</p>	
<p>7. Parking is forbidden here. We ..... find another spot.  a) should not            b) must to                    c) have to                    d) cannot</p>	
<p>8. This is my sister. And this is ..... cat.  a) its                        b) his                        c) her                        d) hers</p>	
<p>9. I was a little sad, but after some chocolate cake, I felt much .....  a) happiest                b) more happy                c) most happy                d) happier</p>	

10. .... do you brush your teeth? I do it three times a day. a) Where            b) How often        c) How many        d) Why	
11. I want to buy this phone but it is ..... expensive! a) too much        b) too                c) enough            d) not enough	
12. The first time we saw our new teacher, he ..... us his name. a) told              b) said                c) asked              d) spoke	
13. I'm a little late. Can you please wait ..... me? a) to                b) at                  c) for                 d) Ø	
14. Last Saturday, we ..... to the cinema. a) saw              b) watched          c) were                d) went	
15. It's very late. I think you ..... finish your work tomorrow. a) must             b) can't                c) have to            d) should	
16. Jim ..... his leg while he was playing football. a) breaking        b) broke              c) broken             d) had broke	
17. This is ..... restaurant in the city. I will never go back. a) the bad          b) the worst          c) the badest        d) the worse	
18. I am so sad because I ..... my phone. a) lost              b) lose                c) losed               d) loss	
19. My baby is very hungry. She ..... to eat something now. a) needs            b) should             c) must                d) can	
20. Dan is excited because he ..... to see his best friend tomorrow. a) will              b) is going            c) be going            d) won't	
21. I usually take the bus to go ..... school. a) to                b) at                  c) in                  d) on	
22. I am going to the shop to buy ..... milk. a) any              b) some                c) much                d) a	

23. I invited all my friends to my birthday but ..... came. a) anybody      b) everybody      c) nobody      d) any one	
24. Is ..... your phone? I found it on the floor. a) those      b) these      c) this      d) there	

**Exercise 2 – Transform each sentence into the requested form: a question (Q), a negative sentence (N), or a positive sentence (P). Write full sentences. Pay attention to spelling. \_\_\_\_\_ / 6 pts**

<i>Example:    Would they like some water?</i>
<b>P:</b> <i>They would like some water.</i>

1. My son didn't fall down the stairs.
<b>P:</b>
2. Tom can come visit you today.
<b>Q:</b>
3. Are you coming with us to the beach?
<b>N:</b>
4. It probably won't snow tomorrow.
<b>P:</b>
5. Marianne goes to the cinema every week.
<b>Q:</b>
6. Jimmy thought about his girlfriend all day long.
<b>N:</b>

**2. PARTIE COMPREHENSION** (40%)**total points: \_\_\_\_\_ / 27 pts****Read the text and answer the questions that follow.***The Golden Windows*

by Laura E. Richards (slightly adapted)

All day long the little boy worked hard, in field and barn<sup>1</sup>, because his parents were poor farmers, and could not pay a workman; but at sunset there came an hour that was all his own, because his father had given it to him. Then the boy went up to the top of a hill and looked across at another hill that was some miles away.

- 5 On this far hill stood a house with magnificent windows of clear gold and diamonds. They shone so brightly that it made the boy wink to look at them: but after some time the people in the house closed the shutters<sup>2</sup>, as it seemed, and then it looked like any common farmhouse. The boy supposed they did this because it was supper-time; and then he went into the house and had his supper of bread and milk, and then to bed.
- 10 One day the boy's father called him and said: "You have been a good boy, and have earned a holiday. Take this day for your own; but remember that God gave it, and try to learn some good thing." The boy thanked his father and kissed his mother; then he put a piece of bread in his pocket, and started off to find the house with the golden windows.
- 15 It was pleasant walking. His bare feet made marks in the white dust, and when he looked back, the footprints<sup>3</sup> seemed to be following him, and making company for him. His shadow, too, kept beside him, and would dance or run with him as he pleased; so it was very cheerful.
- 20 By and by he felt hungry; and he sat down by a brown brook<sup>4</sup> that ran through the trees by the roadside, and ate his bread, and drank the clear water. Then he dispersed the crumbs for the birds, as his mother had taught him to do, and went on his way.

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<sup>1</sup> a building to keep animals, food for animals, dried grass, grains, etc.

<sup>2</sup> *volets, stores*

<sup>3</sup> marks left by feet on the ground

<sup>4</sup> small river

After a long time he came to a high green hill; and when he had climbed the hill, there was the house on the top; but it seemed that the shutters were closed, because he could not see the golden windows. He came up to the house, and then he wanted to  
25 cry because the windows were of clear glass, like any others, and there was no gold anywhere around them.

A woman came to the door, and looked kindly at the boy, and asked him what he wanted.

“I saw the golden windows from our hilltop,” he said, “and I came to see them, but  
30 now they are only glass.”

The woman shook her head and laughed.

“We are poor farming people,” she said, “and we certainly cannot have gold around our windows; but glass is better to see through.”

She asked the boy to sit down on the broad stone step at the door, and brought him  
35 a cup of milk and a cake, and told him to stay; then she called her daughter, a child of his own age, and nodded kindly at the two, and went back to her work.

The little girl was barefooted like himself, and wore a brown cotton gown, but her hair was golden like the windows he had seen, and her eyes were blue like the sky at noon. She led the boy around the farm, and showed him her black calf<sup>5</sup> with the white star  
40 on its forehead, and he told her about his own at home, which was red like a chestnut<sup>6</sup>, with four white feet.

Then when they had eaten an apple together, and so had become friends, the boy asked her about the golden windows. The little girl nodded, and said she knew all about them, only he had mistaken the house.

45 “You have come quite the wrong way!” she said. “Come with me, and I will show you the house with the golden windows, and then you will see for yourself.”

They went to a knoll<sup>7</sup> that rose behind the farmhouse, and as they went the little girl told him that they could only see the golden windows at a certain hour, about sunset.

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<sup>5</sup> a baby cow

<sup>6</sup> *marron, châtaigne*

<sup>7</sup> small hill

"Yes, I know that!" said the boy.

50 When they reached the top of the knoll, the girl turned and pointed; and there on a hill far away stood a house with windows of clear gold and diamond, just as he had seen them. And when they looked again, the boy saw that it was his own home.

Then he told the little girl that he must go; and he gave her his best pebble, the white one with the red band, that he had carried for a year in his pocket; and she gave him  
55 three chestnuts, one red like satin, one with spots, and one white like milk. He kissed her, and promised to come again, but he did not tell her what he had learned; and so he went back down the hill, and the little girl stood in the sunset light and watched him.

The way home was long, and it was dark before the boy reached his father's house;  
60 but the lamplight and firelight shone through the windows, making them almost as bright as he had seen them from the hilltop; and when he opened the door, his mother came to kiss him, and his little sister ran to throw her arms around his neck, and his father looked up and smiled from his seat by the fire.

"Have you had a good day?" asked his mother.

65 Yes, the boy had had a very good day.

"And have you learned anything?" asked his father.

"Yes!" said the boy. "I have learned that our house has windows of gold and diamond."

**Exercise 1 – For each definition/synonym, find the correct word in the text. The lines are indicated. Always respect the category of words (adjective, noun, verb, etc.) and the spelling. The words follow the order of the text.**

\_\_\_\_\_ / 6 pts

<i>Example: male child (noun, ll.1-4)</i>	<i>boy</i>
1. an employee (noun, ll.1-4)	
2. produce light (verb, ll.5-9)	
3. merit (verb, ll.10-14)	
4. leave (phrasal verb, 2 words, ll.10-14)	
5. naked (adjective, ll.15-18)	
6. after some time (expression, 3 words, ll.19-21)	
7. small pieces of bread (noun, ll. 19-21)	
8. to walk up (verb, ll.22-26)	
9. in a friendly way (adverb, ll.27-31)	
10. a dress (noun, ll.37-41)	
11. confuse (verb, ll.42-46)	
12. small stone (noun, ll.53-58)	

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**Exercise 2 – Choose the answer that fits best according to the text. The questions follow the order of the text. Write the letter corresponding to your answer in the space provided. \_\_\_\_\_ / 21 pts**

1. Why does the boy work so much on the farm?

- A. Because he wants to become a good farmer, like his parents.
- B. Because his parents have no money to employ someone else.
- C. Because his parents are too poor to send him to school.

Answer 1: \_\_\_\_\_

2. The little boy works in the evening.

- A. True
- B. False

Answer 2: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Why does the boy like to look at a house not far away?

- A. It is the luxurious home of noble people who live in their region.
- B. He also dreams of one day being rich and having diamonds and gold.
- C. He thinks the windows decorated with diamonds and gold are beautiful.

Answer 3: \_\_\_\_\_

4. What do the people in the house seem to do after a while?

- A. Go eat inside.
- B. Protect their treasures.
- C. Put on a disguise.

Answer 4: \_\_\_\_\_

5. What does the father want to give the little boy as a present?

- A. Some rest and sleep.
- B. A day to use as he wants to.
- C. A real holiday far away.

Answer 5: \_\_\_\_\_

6. When father gives the "present", which quality does he want the boy to learn?

- A. compassion
- B. appreciation
- C. honesty

Answer 6: \_\_\_\_\_

7. The boy begins his free day with a clear objective in mind.

- A. True
- B. False

Answer 7: \_\_\_\_\_

8. When the boy begins his walk, his feet hurt a little.

- A. True
- B. False

Answer 8: \_\_\_\_\_

9. The boy goes to look for the house and ...

- A. a shadow starts following him.
- B. he sees somebody else's footprints.
- C. he enjoys his own company.

Answer 9: \_\_\_\_\_

10. The boy remembers a lesson that his mother has taught him. Which quality did his mother want to teach him?

- A. generosity
- B. hard work
- C. courage
- D. patience

Answer 10: \_\_\_\_\_

11. When the boy finally reaches his destination, what emotion does he feel?

- A. joy
- B. fear
- C. sadness
- D. excitement

Answer 11: \_\_\_\_\_

12. How can we describe the attitude of the woman when the boy tells her about the golden windows?

- A. insulting
- B. amused
- C. offended
- D. sarcastic

Answer 12: \_\_\_\_\_

13. Which quality do the woman and the boy's mother have in common?

- A. They are both generous.
- B. They both make good food.
- C. They both have a good sense of humor.

Answer 13: \_\_\_\_\_

14. What three things do the boy and the girl have in common? (3 answers)

- A. They are the same age.
- B. They both have blue eyes.
- C. They both have brown pants.
- D. They both wear no shoes.
- E. They both have a white baby cow.
- F. They both have seen the house with the golden windows.

Answer 14: \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_

15. The real house with the golden windows is the house of the girl's neighbor.

- A. True
- B. False

Answer 15: \_\_\_\_\_

16. The boy decides to keep a secret from the girl.

- A. True
- B. False

Answer 16: \_\_\_\_\_

17. The boy's parents are angry because the boy comes home so late.

- A. True
- B. False

Answer 17: \_\_\_\_\_

18. What two lessons can we learn from the story? (2 answers)

- A. It is important to appreciate what we have.
- B. Poverty is more common in the countryside.
- C. Young people must work hard to become rich.
- D. It is dangerous to travel alone.
- E. You should never trust strangers.
- F. Friends and family are more important than precious jewels.
- G. Success comes to people who are ambitious.

Answer 18: \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_

**3. PARTIE EXPRESSION** (40%)

**total points: \_\_\_\_\_ / 26 pts**

**Write a diary entry (entrée dans un journal intime) of 180 to 230 words based on the story *A Message from a Ghost*. Base your answer on what you know about the story. Use today's date. Imagine Alice is writing in her diary after the end of the story. Include these three elements:**

- A. She explains what happened to her twenty years ago, why people could not see her and how she felt.**
- B. She writes about how she met Bella, Elise and Gracie and how she asked them to help her.**
- C. She mentions how the problem with her uncle came to an end and what happened to her at the end of the story.**

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