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**EXAMENS D'ADMISSION AUX GYMNASES VAUDOIS
SESSION 2023**

**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 : _____ / 26 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.****____ / 22 pts**

<i>Example: He didn't what he had to do for homework.</i> a) understood b) understand c) understands d) understated	<i>B</i>
1. Yesterday my first day back at school after the holidays. a) has b) was c) had been d) been	
2. My best friend, Tania, is in the same class me. a) to b) by c) as d) for	
3. My school is really big, there are more 1000 students. a) that b) than c) of d) then	
4. Tania lives far away and to school by train every day. a) comes b) come c) is coming d) coming	
5. We come to school on time. a) have to b) must to c) should to d) can to	
6. Our French teacher 35 years old. a) has b) had c) is d) has been	
7. She is very nice and has two, a boy and a girl. a) childs b) kinder c) kinds d) children	
8. 25 students in my class but I only know two of them. a) They are b) Their is c) There are d) There is	
9. My classmates are really a) friendly b) friend c) friendlier d) friendliest	
10. do you have English classes? We have four classes a week. a) When b) How often c) How many d) How much	

11. I am good at English but I make a few mistakes. a) anytime b) sometimes c) every time d) all the times	
12. If you want to improve your English, you read English books. a) can to b) have c) must d) must to	
13 Tania and I school early yesterday because we had a match. a) leaved b) went c) left d) gone	
14. Our lunch break is short, so we all in the school cafeteria. a) eat b) ate c) eaten d) have eaten	
15. The cafeteria is not expensive and we get good food. a) enough b) too c) much d) less	
16. We have ten teachers, 4 are men and 6 are a) woman b) women c) womans d) womens	
17. Next month we to visit a museum about Swiss history. a) will b) have gone c) are go d) are going	
18. The visit will be fun because we Swiss history in class. a) studyed b) are study c) studied d) studying	
19. Our teacher asked us who the Swiss president was, but knew the answer a) anybody b) nobody c) somebody d) anyone	
20. are you going for your summer holidays? a) Where b) Which c) When d) What	
21. Argentina has the football team, which is why they won the world cup. a) good b) best c) better d) bestest	
22. I am going to buy football and start playing with my friends. a) any b) some c) much d) a	

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. _____ / 8 pts

Example: I went to the cinema with Daniel.

N: *I didn't go to the cinema with Daniel.*

1. He has cereal for breakfast every morning.

Q:

2. We have three tests this week.

N:

3. Sasha isn't going to the party on Saturday.

Q:

4. We didn't win the basketball match last week.

P:

5. Diana and Noémie didn't come to school yesterday.

P:

6. Jessica wakes up at 6 am every morning.

N:

7. Amar didn't sleep a lot last night.

P:

8. You can pay by card in the cafeteria.

Q:

2. PARTIE COMPREHENSION (40%)**total points : ____ / 26 pts****Read the text and answer the questions that follow.***Good luck or bad luck?*

A story from China. (source unknown)

A long time ago an old man lived in a small village in the mountains, in the middle of China. He had a son that he loved very much, but this son was a student in a city very far from his father's village. And so the old man lived and worked alone.

Every day he worked for long hours on his farm. There was always a lot to do there.

5 He was a kind, friendly man, and all the people in the village liked him. They knew that the old farmer needed the help of his son, a strong young man who was not afraid of hard work, but the old farmer never complained. The villagers often came over to the old man's house and told him how sorry they were that his son was not there to help him.

10 When will your son come back home? It's bad luck for you to live alone, so far away from your only son,' they said.

But the old farmer always replied in the same words, 'Bad luck or good luck, who knows?'

15 One day, the old man's son came back to the village. The people in the village were very happy for the old man, and they all came to his house.

'Now that your son has come back, your house will be full of good luck again,' they said.

But the old farmer only smiled, and replied, 'Good luck or bad luck, who knows?'

20 People knew that the farmer was a man who used few words. They didn't ask him what he meant when he said things like this.

Life was hard in the village and nearly everybody there was poor. But the old farmer and his son were not as poor as some others. They had a horse, and on a farm a horse can do the work of four men. But one morning the farmer's son left the stable door open and the horse ran away. The son felt terrible.

25 'What have I done? Work on the farm without a horse will be really hard. What will we do now?' he asked his father. And the people of the village again felt sorry for the old farmer and his son.

'This is very bad luck,' they all said.

But again the old farmer smiled quietly. He didn't look worried about the horse.

30 'Bad luck or good luck, who knows?' he said.

That afternoon some people in the village thought that they saw the old man's horse running across the hills near the farm. So that evening the son went to look for it. After a few hours he found their horse, quietly eating grass next to a wild horse. The son was able to bring both horses back to his father's farm. When the people of
35 the village heard this news, they were very happy for the farmer.

'First you had one horse. Then you had no horse. Now you have two horses!' they shouted happily.

'Your good luck has come back again!'

But the old farmer just smiled his quiet smile and said, 'Good luck or bad luck, who
40 knows?'

The son liked the new horse very much, and he decided to tame¹ it.

'Be careful, son. You've lived in the city for many years. You don't know very much about taming wild horses,' said the old farmer worriedly.

'Don't worry, Father. I know what I'm doing,' replied the son. 'When I've tamed this
45 horse, we'll have two horses to help us on the farm, and life will be better.' But the next day, the old man's son fell from the wild horse's back to the ground and broke his leg. Now this was a big problem. A man with a bad leg needs to eat but cannot work.

Once again the villagers came to the farmer's house to say how sorry they were.

50 'First your son was in the city and there was no one to help you. Then your son came back to help you. Now your son has broken his leg, and you must help him. Your bad luck has come back,' they said.

¹ Tame - dompter

Once again the father smiled quietly and replied, 'Bad luck or good luck, who knows?'

55 Some of the villagers were surprised to hear this. Where was the good luck in breaking your leg?

At that time in China, there was a long and terrible war between the east and west of the country. Every week hundreds of young men died in this war. One day some army officials arrived in the village. They were looking for more men to fight with them. All the young men in the village had to become soldiers in the army and leave for the war. Their families cried when they said goodbye. They knew that many of these young men would be dead in a few days. But the army left the old farmer's son behind. What good to an army was a soldier with a bad leg?

Now the villagers understood the old farmer's words. They went to see him.

65 'Your son didn't have to go with the soldiers because he broke his leg. It's true that your bad luck changed into good luck,' they said, happy that they understood the old farmer's wise words.

The old farmer smiled kindly at them.

'Good luck or bad luck, who knows?' he answered.

Exercise 1 – For each definition/synonym, find the correct word (ONE word only) 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. _____ / 7 pts

Synonym or definition	One word from Text
<i>Example: A town (noun, ll.1-11)</i>	<i>Village (l.1)</i>
1. A place where you grow food and have animals (noun, ll. 1-11)	
2. Sociable (adjective, ll. 1-11)	
3. Opposite of 'many' (determiner, ll. 14-24)	
4. When you do not have a lot of money (adjective ll. 14-24)	
5. A place where farm animals live (noun, ll. 14-24)	
6. Concerned (adjective, ll. 25-35)	
7. Small mountains (noun, ll. 25-35)	
8. Savage (adjective, ll. 25-35)	
9. One and the other (adjective, ll. 25-35)	
10. To speak loudly (verb, ll. 36-43)	
11. Prudent (adjective ll. 36 -43)	
12. Earth (noun ll. 44-52)	
13. A person who fights for his country (noun, ll. 56-68)	
14. Intelligent (adjective, ll. 56-68)	

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. _____ / 19 pts

1. Why did the son leave his home?

- A. He wanted to discover the world.
- B. He didn't want to work with his father.
- C. He went to school in a different place.

Answer 1: _____

2. How many men worked with the farmer?

- A. Zero
- B. Two
- C. Four

Answer 2: _____

3. The old man was angry that his son had left.

- A. True
- B. False

Answer 3: _____

4. When the farmer's son returned, the villagers visited the old man because they...

- A. were glad the farmer was not alone.
- B. wanted to see if the son was fine.
- C. needed some good luck like the farmer.

Answer 4: _____

5. The horse ran away because...

- A. it was afraid of the farmer's son.
- B. it was not locked in its stall.
- C. it had to work too hard.

Answer 5: _____

6. How did the son feel after the horse ran away? (2 answers)

- A. He was afraid of his father's reaction.
- B. He was very upset about his mistake.
- C. He knew that his father was unhappy.
- D. He wanted to return to the city immediately.
- E. He knew they would have a lot of work.

Answer 6: _____ & _____

7. They found their horse after one week.

- A. True
- B. False

Answer 7: _____

8. The farmer's son bought a second horse because there was too much work on the farm.

- A. True
- B. False

Answer 8: _____

9. The farmer's son could not tame the wild horse easily.

- A. True
- B. False

Answer 9: _____

10. Life was more difficult for the farmer after his son broke his leg.

- A. True
- B. False

Answer 10: _____

11. Why did the villagers visit the old man after his son broke his leg? (2 answers)

- A. They felt sorry for him and his son.
- B. They wanted to help them with the farm.
- C. They were happy that he had bad luck.
- D. They thought he would be very sad.

Answer 11: _____ & _____

12. The army come to the old man's village because... (2 answers)

- A. the son of the old man was a criminal.
- B. they came to help with the farm.
- C. there was a conflict in the country.
- D. they needed to have more soldiers.
- E. they were looking for a hundred men.

Answer 12: _____ & _____

13. The village people cried because...

- A. their sons wanted to join the army.
- B. the soldiers were going away soon.
- C. they were afraid their sons would die.

Answer 13: _____

14. Why didn't the son join the army?

- A. Because his father needed him.
- B. Because he could not walk.
- C. Because the soldiers were kind.

Answer 14: _____

15. This story teaches us that (2 answers)

- A. Everything in life happens for a good reason
- B. Old Chinese farmers are very wise people
- C. We should always be positive in life
- D. Children should always help their parents

Answer 15: _____ & _____

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 *Robinson Crusoe*. Base your answer on what you know about the story. Use today's date. Imagine that you are the captain of a ship that arrived on the island where Robinson Crusoe and Friday were living. You rescued them from the island. Include these three elements:

- A. Explain how you came to the island with your crew (*équipage de bateau*). Write about your feelings when you saw Robinson and Friday and describe them. Write about your first contact with them.**
- B. Describe the island. Explain where Crusoe and Friday lived. Write about the animals that they kept and the plants that they had.**
- C. Explain how you and Robinson fought against the rebels and why you decided to take Robinson and Friday back to England. Write about how Robinson felt when he finally left the island.**

Dear Diary.

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