

دورة جوان 2007

امتحان بكالوريا التعليم الثانوي والتقني

المدّة : ساعتان

الشعبة : تقنيات المحاسبة + شعب التعليم الثانوي ما عدا آداب ولغات أجنبية.

اختبار في مادة الإنجليزية - لغة أجنبية أولى -

SECTION ONE: Reading Comprehension.

(07 points)

Read the text carefully, then answer the questions .

Armed with a revolver, a 16 year-old boy holds two teenagers hostage in Miles City, Montana. In Dedham, Massachusetts, a 15-year-old boy hits a boy to death with a baseball bat. In the Bronx, New York, one teen shoots and kills another in a fight that began with a staring match.

Americans are used to hearing violent tales like these. The evening news is full of gunfights and murders, much of it involving young people. But what's most striking about the stories above is that they didn't take place on the street, but in what once were safe and secure institutions: the schools.

Schools should be places where young people can learn and grow in well-ordered environments and even escape from violent homes or communities, if they need to. Instead, for many students, schools have become just another arena of fear, where they face the same crime and violence that threatens them at home or in the streets.

Newsweek, April 5, 1991.

1 - Is the reading passage an excerpt from a novel or a magazine article?

2 - Say if these sentences are true or false:

- a- The three examples of teenage violence are drawn from reality.
- b- Americans ignore all about the sudden increase of violence among teenagers.
- c- Schools have become as violent as city-streets.
- d- Some children experience violence at home.

3 - In which paragraph is it mentioned that Americans are accustomed to violent stories?

4 - Choose a title to the text.

- a- Gun Fights and Murders
- b- Violence Invades Schools
- c- A Frightening Tide of Violence

5 - Match each word with its corresponding synonym or definition.

Words	Definitions / Synonyms
a) to shoot	1. stories
b) tales	2. to menace
c) arena of fear	3. to fire a weapon at someone
d) to threaten	4. place where threat of danger, evil and pain is common or frequent

SECTION TWO: Mastery of Language.

(08 points)

1 – Supply punctuation and capitals where necessary.

as violence increases american schools are taking measures to protect their students

2 – Add two more words to each of the following list.

harmful	unsafe	perilous
precaution	safety	protection

3 – Divide the following words into roots and affixes. Use the table below.

accessibility - reorganize - believable - irrational

Prefixes	Roots	Suffixes

4 – Give the correct forms of the verbs in brackets.

a – According to the U.S Justice Department, about 3 million incidents (to occur) in schools each year.

b – Twenty years ago, disputes that (to break) out in schools (to end) up in fist fights but today they (to be) replaced by gun fights.

5 – Classify the following words according to the number of syllables.

street - security - result - solution

1 syllable	2 syllables	3 syllables	4 syllables

SECTION THREE :Written Expression

(05 pts)

Choose either topic one or two.

Topic One: Using the following notes, write a composition of about 80 to 100 words on

how violence has been reduced in some U.S schools.

- people worried / increase / violent incidents in schools
- authorities / measures / protect students
- gold jewelry, expensive clothes and shoes forbidden
- students / wear uniforms
- students / submit to metal detectors and gun sniffing dogs
- strict security measures / dress codes / successful in reducing violence in some schools

Topic Two :

What do you think the causes of teenage violence are? Poverty, hard living conditions or violence at home? Justify your answer.