



BAC 1 2025	ENGLISH TEST	SERIE C4, D
Normal session	Duration: 3 hours	Rating coefficient: 2

SECTION ONE: READING COMPREHENSION (5 marks)

Read the following text carefully and answer the questions.

Text:

In my view, environmentalism, rightly understood, is patriotism. The word comes from the Latin root "patria": fatherland or homeland. So, patriotism would seem to indicate a general concern to protect the land and the people of one's homeland, however extensively one defines them. On this view, environmentalists are patriots par excellence, literally committed to protecting the land and all its inhabitants, including its non-human inhabitants.

Environmental activists typically work to protect the places they know and love, whether it is open-space threatened by sprawl, or a downtown threatened by a new Super Wal-Mart. They involve themselves in their communities: leading hikes to teach boy scouts and girl scouts about the plants and animals around them, or tipping off reporters to illegal dumping. They hand out campaign literature for green candidates and pack city council meetings to argue about zoning changes. They do all this not to make a buck, but because they care about where they live and other special places they have gotten to know, and because they want to preserve them for their children and grandchildren.

Environmentalists don't only protect these places; they celebrate them as well: hiking and camping and kayaking and skinny-dipping to show their patriotic attachment to their country. Just as a 4th of July parade with marching bands provides a sense of belonging and larger community to many, so may a hike up Long's Peak, or an Audubon Society field trip to watch the birds at a local reservoir. In these activities, people bond with the land and with each other. They come face to face with what will otherwise remain mere abstractions: biodiversity. They learn the history of the natural and human communities of which they are parts. They come to see their own lives as parts of larger stories, their own efforts as parts of larger struggles and achievements.

QUESTIONS: (5 marks)

1. Environmentalism is synonymous to patriotism. True/False. 0,5pt
2. Propose a suitable title to this passage. 1pt
3. Complete this sentence: According to the text,to protect the places they know and love. 1pt
4. How does the author define patriotism in the above text? 1pt
5. Do you think patriotism is important in your country? Justify your answer. 1,5pt

SECTION TWO: LINGUISTIC COMPETENCE

A. VOCABULARY (2 marks)

1. Give an antonym to each these words: a. patriot ≠ b. achievement ≠
2. Find the synonym to each of these words: a. love = b. preserve =
3. Match the word or expressions in "column A" with their definitions in "Column B".

column A	Column B
A1. Activists	a. Concern about and action aimed at protecting the environment.
A2. Biodiversity	b. Someone who believes strongly in political or social change
	c. The variety of plant and animal life in the world



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4. Derive a noun from: live

5. Form an adjective from: see

B- GRAMMAR: (2 marks)

❖ *Put the verbs in brackets into their correct form.*

1. The executive (to bring) new ideas to the organization during the last meeting.

2. The emancipation of women (to last) for many years.

❖ *Choose the best ending to fill in the gaps.*

3. Men were accused of not women in decision making (*including, included, includes*).

4. If a man is guilty of a woman, he will be put in prison. (*rapes, raping, raped*)

❖ *Use "since / for / ago" to complete*

5. Togo has become member state of the Commonwealth.....June 2022.

6. Several organizations have fought years to establish gender equity

❖ *Rephrase these sentences*

7. a. Togo is not an English-speaking country: yet, it is a member of the commonwealth.

b. Despite.....

8. a. Internet is a very easy means used by hawkers

b. Internet is the

SECTION THREE: TRANSLATION (3 marks)

Translate the following passage into a good English

Le patriotisme est le sentiment d'amour, de dévouement et d'attachement à un pays ou à un Etat. Cet attachement peut être une combinaison de différents sentiments pour des choses telles que la langue de son pays d'origine et ses aspects ethniques, culturels, politique et historiques.

SECTION FOUR: WRITING (8 marks)

A. There is a stream in your area. People depend on this water resources for different purposes. They use it for agriculture and house needs. Currently, many people have started throwing plastics in it, pissing and shitting in it. Based on what you know, write an essay to show the bad consequences the area will run if the water in the stream becomes totally polluted.

Relevance: 1,25 Coherence: 1,25 Accuracy: 1 Perfection: 0,5

B. Fousseni and Agossou are woodcutters. Both live in the same village as you, they are used to cutting trees almost every day. They make money by selling them in town. Despite the warning of local authorities, they continue cutting trees in the surroundings. Based on your knowledge, write an article to let them know the impacts of woodcutting on forests and the environment. Your name is SOSSO Biwedeou.

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