

# ANGLAIS

LANGUE ÉTRANGÈRE

SÉRIE

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COMPRÉHENSION ET PRODUCTION ÉCRITES

**Durée de l'épreuve :** 70 minutes**Moyens auxiliaires autorisés :** Dictionnaire bilingue traditionnel

Numéro de candidat-e

Profil

B ☐E ☐

Nom

Prénom

Date de l'examen

Points obtenus / points maximum

Partie compréhension écrite

/ 25

Partie production écrite

/ 25

**Total****/ 50**

SIGNATURES DES EXPERTS

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**1<sup>er</sup> janvier 2023.**

## COMPRÉHENSION ÉCRITE

### Part 1

#### The Battle against Plastic



Pollution due to plastic is a worldwide concern and numerous actions take place regularly around the world to clean up the planet. During a weekend in May 2019, armed with bags, gloves, litter pickers and a strong sense of purpose, around 12,000 men, women and children got to work cleaning British streets, green spaces and beaches as part of a nationwide Great Plastic Pick-Up. The volunteers included young scouts, book club members, politicians and celebrities - all giving their time to clear rubbish and raise awareness as part of the three-day campaign organized by *The Daily Mail* newspaper and the environmental charity *Keep Britain Tidy*.

Clean-ups are good for raising awareness, but critics say they do little to address the source of the problem. Although nobody could doubt the selfless dedication of the thousands who took part, activists argue that such volunteer clean-ups are not the best way to tackle the plastic pollution that is choking rivers, destroying once beautiful beaches and costing the lives of whales, seabirds and other wildlife.

Critics argue that public clean-ups do not deal with the root causes of this pollution. Cleaning a beach is not turning the tide, they say, because the tide will just come in again, depositing more plastic cups, bottles, straws, bags and discarded fishing equipment. What we need to do is reduce unnecessary plastic at source, design less harmful products and develop better recycling processes. The British government has pledged to eliminate all avoidable plastic waste by 2042.

David Katz, the founder and CEO of *The Plastic Bank*, a company which monetizes plastic waste by turning it into a currency that helps some of the world's poorest people, likens the problem to an overflowing sink: there is no point in mopping the floor until you turn off the tap.

However, there is compelling evidence that such campaigns, like the Great Plastic Pick-Up, do make a difference and not just in the short term. Every piece of trash that is taken away to be recycled or deposited in a landfill means there is one less dangerous item for birds, turtles or whales to swallow. Clean-ups also restore many other creatures' habitats.

There are also economic benefits linked to such initiatives. If beaches are covered with litter, tourists will not come. Last November, the Indonesian island of Bali declared a garbage emergency on a six-kilometre stretch of coast, with authorities forced to deploy cleaners and trucks to take around 100 tons of waste every day to a nearby landfill.

People do not need to have a science degree or a role in government to be able to pick up the rubbish that is lying right in front of them. It is not the only solution, but it is a critical component of the complex solution required for this equally complex problem.

**Read the text “The Battle against Plastic”.**

**For questions 1 to 7, choose the letter A, B or C. There is only one correct answer per question.**

**1. The Great Plastic Pick-Up held in spring 2019 was**

- A. ☐ all over Great Britain.
- B. ☐ all over Europe.
- C. ☐ worldwide.

**2. The people who took part in the Great Plastic Pick-Up**

- A. ☐ came from all walks of life.
- B. ☐ were remunerated for their work.
- C. ☐ were all famous people.

**3. To fight against pollution, clean-ups are**

- A. ☐ the best solution.
- B. ☐ the only solution.
- C. ☐ not efficient enough for some people.

**4. It is said in paragraph 3 that the solution to plastic pollution is to**

- A. ☐ quit producing plastic goods altogether.
- B. ☐ organise more clean-ups.
- C. ☐ rethink both plastic production and recycling.

**5. The British government is committed to**

- A. ☐ eliminating all plastics by 2042.
- B. ☐ stopping the production of plastic goods by 2042.
- C. ☐ drastically reducing plastic waste by 2042.

**6. David Katz**

- A. ☐ thinks that clean-ups are very useful.
- B. ☐ uses plastic waste to help some poor communities.
- C. ☐ thinks that the problem linked to plastic pollution cannot be solved.

**7. According to the text, plastic waste**

- A. ☐ can be detrimental to attracting tourists.
- B. ☐ can improve the global economy.
- C. ☐ should be the concern of scientists and politicians only.

## Part 2

Look at the graphs (on page 5) showing the evolution of three different ailments in eight European cities over a period of six months last year.

Match each description (1-5) to the correct graph.

Write a letter (A-H) in the space provided. There is only one correct answer per question.

### Description

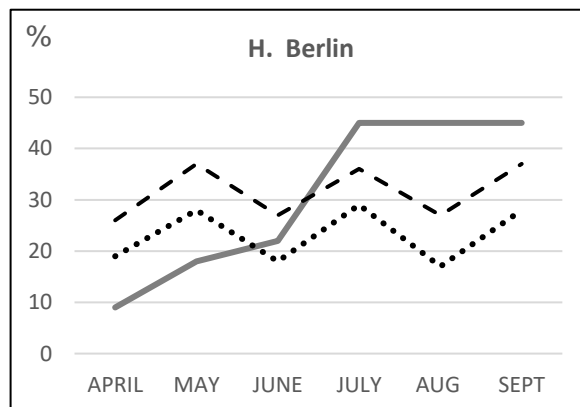
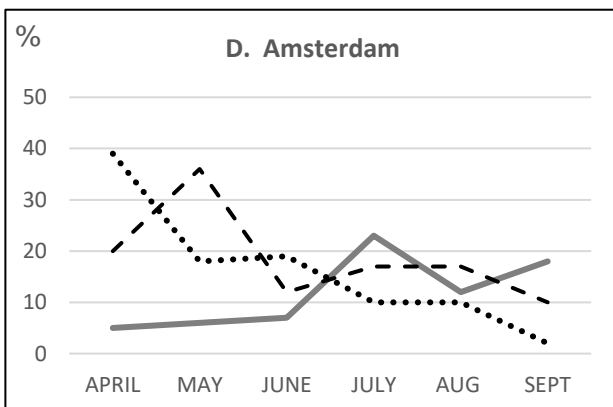
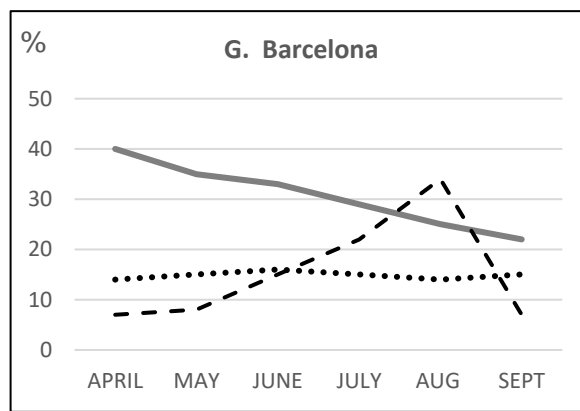
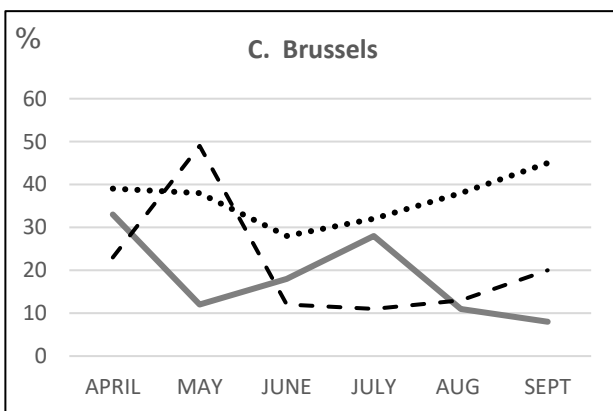
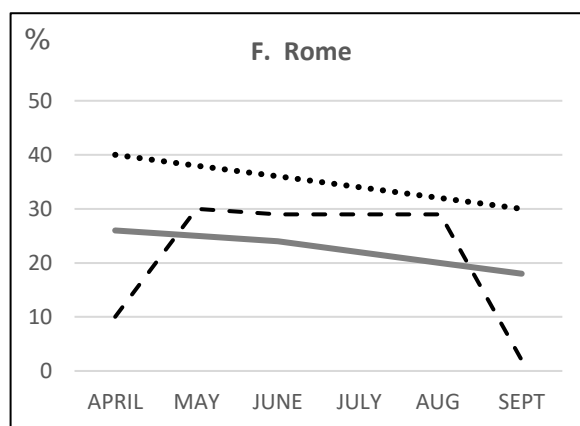
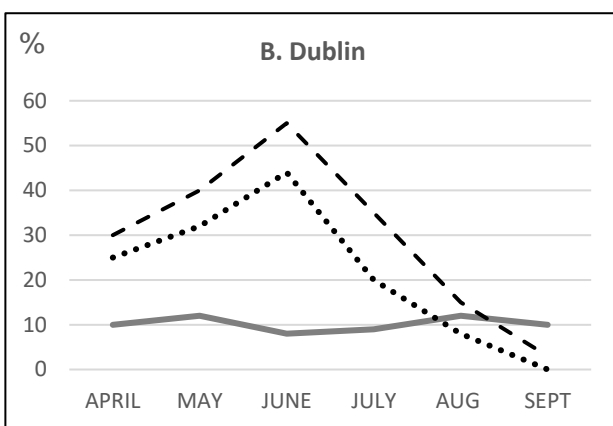
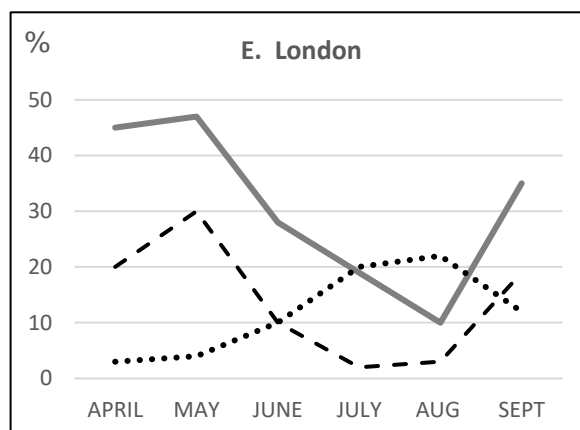
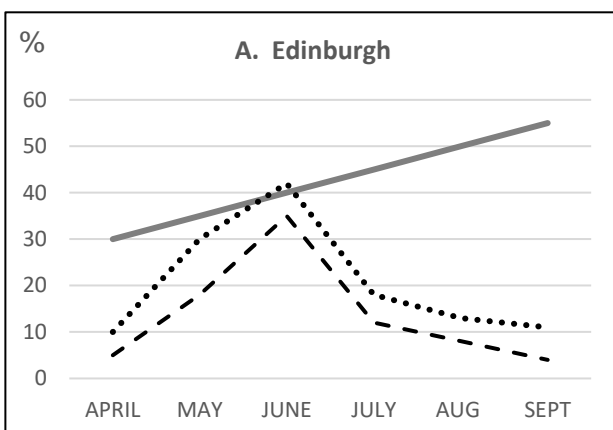
### Letter

1. Very high temperatures in summer led to a rise in the rate of heat stroke cases, reaching a peak in August. The number of patients suffering from fever went down steadily, whereas, during the same period, the percentage of skin allergies remained stable. \_\_\_\_\_
2. In that city, the percentage of feverish patients increased steadily throughout the period. Owing to unusual high temperatures early summer, the number of heat strokes and skin allergies grew and reached a peak in June, before dropping significantly. \_\_\_\_\_
3. Over the period considered, the rate of both heat strokes and skin allergies kept fluctuating at a high level. Increasing gradually in spring, the number of feverish patients showed a sharp rise in June and then levelled off. \_\_\_\_\_
4. In that city, there was an increase in the number of heat strokes and skin allergies up to the end of spring followed by a significant decrease as of June. Health centres did not treat many patients against fever: their percentage remained stable. \_\_\_\_\_
5. Due to sudden high temperatures in spring, the percentage of heat stroke cases rose dramatically then stayed level for three months and finally fell. The percentages of both fever and skin allergy patients went down steadily. \_\_\_\_\_

Total 2 :

/ 5

— fever      - - - heat stroke      ··· skin allergy



## Part 3

Some travellers have left short comments (1-8) on the internet about accommodation. Match them with the people (A-F) below. There are more comments than you need. Write a number in the space provided. There is only one correct answer per question.

### Comments on websites:

- |   |                         |
|---|-------------------------|
| 1. Best room service you can get        | 5. Over-rated           |
| 2. Totally modernised                   | 6. Poorly trained staff |
| 3. Numerous facilities                  | 7. No vacancies         |
| 4. Questionable hygiene in pool and spa | 8. Under-rated          |

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- A    \_\_\_\_\_    **Paula** loved her holiday in Ibiza. She was very satisfied with the size of the swimming pool, the well-equipped spa area and the indoor gym centre. In addition, there were three different nightclubs as well as two restaurants that served delicious food.
- B    \_\_\_\_\_    **Kirstin and her husband** had to leave the hotel half way through their vacation because of the disastrous customer service provided by the young employees.
- C    \_\_\_\_\_    **Mr and Mrs Adam** and their four children enjoyed their Easter holiday in the Palazzo Resort. They appreciated the general refurbishing of the hotel and its original design.
- D    \_\_\_\_\_    **Tim and his girlfriend Sara** had to end up sleeping at the local campsite because their favourite hotel was fully booked. They were disappointed because it was the second time that they had tried to book their summer holiday there in vain.
- E    \_\_\_\_\_    **Lady Harrison** was upset with her stay at the Ritz. She wrote a letter of complaint mentioning the fact that the hotel did not meet with her high expectations or its long-standing reputation as a luxury hotel. She also asked for a total refund.
- F    \_\_\_\_\_    **Kim and her husband** could not afford an expensive holiday so they booked in a one-star hotel on the Italian Riviera. They were pleasantly surprised by the quality of their stay. Only one star and so much comfort!

Total 3 :  / 6

Total partie "Compréhension écrite" :  / 25

## PRODUCTION ÉCRITE

### Part 1

#### Situation

The company you work for is about to launch a new product.  
The marketing manager has asked you to contact clients to let them know about it.

#### Task

**Write a letter to Mr David Beekman**, an important client of yours, in which you:

- tell him which product it is;
- describe at least 3 qualities of the new product;
- mention the samples you are enclosing;
- make a special offer.

**Make sure you address all four points mentioned above.**

**Start and finish your letter in an appropriate way.**

**Write 80 to 100 words.**

[illegible]



## Part 2

**Situation:**

**You have organized a marketing meeting. Last week, you sent all the necessary information to your colleagues but you have just noticed a mistake about the starting time.**

**Task:**

**Write an email to your colleagues in which you:**

- apologize;
- give the correct information;
- ask the participants to confirm their attendance;
- give a new deadline to sign in.

**Write 40-60 words minimum. Do not forget to fill in the “from” and “subject” lines.**

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Total 2 : / 10

**Total partie "Production écrite" :**   / 25