

RÉPUBLIQUE TUNISIENNE MINISTÈRE DE L'ÉDUCATION ◇◇◇◇ EXAMEN DU BACCALAURÉAT SESSION 2015	Épreuve : <b>ANGLAIS</b>
	Durée : <b>2 H</b>
	Coefficient : <b>1.5</b>
<b>Section : Sport</b>	<b>Session principale</b>

Le sujet comporte 04 pages.

## THE TEXT

1- It was early on February 25<sup>th</sup>. Sean Marsee smiled a tired smile at his sister, pointed his index finger skyward and an hour later, at age 19, he was dead. Just ten months earlier, Sean, an 18-year-old high school senior and star of the school track team, was just a weekend away from competing in the state track finals, and just a month away from graduation. It was then that Sean opened his mouth and showed his mother an ugly sore on his tongue. His mother, a registered nurse, took one look and **felt her heart sink**. When Sean's mother finally discovered he was a heavy smoker, she hit the roof. She tried to explain just how hazardous tobacco was for him, but Sean refused to believe her.

2- Aside from his addiction to nicotine, he didn't drink and he took excellent care of his body; watching his diet, lifting weights and running five miles a day, six months a year. Now this. How could it be ?

3- But now, an angry red spot with a hard white core, about the size of a half-dollar, was being worn by his tongue. "I'm sorry," said Dr. Carl Hook, the throat specialist. "I'm afraid we'll have to remove that part of your tongue, Sean."

4- On May 16<sup>th</sup>, Dr. Hook performed the operation. More of Sean's tongue had to be removed than was anticipated. Worse yet, the biopsy results were back and the tumor tested positive for cancer.

5- Nevertheless, despite the multiple therapies and the several operations which followed, Sean's condition deteriorated, but he kept denying **it**. "Don't worry, mum. I'm going to be fine," he obstinately wanted to calm her, but all in vain.

Adapted from: <http://WhyQuit.com/>

Section : ..... N° d'inscription : ..... Série : .....  
 Nom et prénom : .....  
 Date et lieu de naissance : .....

Signatures des surveillants  
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ANGLAIS (SECTION SPORT)

**READING COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (5 marks)**

**1. Tick (✓) the right option. (1 mark)**

The text is mainly about a young sportsman who :

- a. campaigned against tobacco addiction.
- b. cut his life short by his tobacco addiction.
- c. suffered from minor health problems.

**2. Complete the following sentences with words from paragraph 4. (2 marks)**

There was a spot on Sean's tongue. He went through an .....  
 What's worse, he was diagnosed with .....

**3. Tick (✓) the right alternative : (1 mark)**

She took one look and felt her heart sink (paragraph 1) means: she felt

- a. lonely
- b. angry
- c. disappointed

**4. What does the underlined word refer to ? (1 mark)**

"it" paragraph 5, line 2 refers to .....

**LANGUAGE (10 marks)**

**1. Circle the right alternative. (0.5x7=3.5 marks)**

Online schooling allows parents to take on a greater role in their child's education. Many online schooling programs (**let / allow / accept**) students work at their own pace, slowing down in order to master the material or (**moving / running / speeding**) up in order to graduate earlier. Families who deal (**about / with / over**) special scheduling issues often take advantage of online schooling (**thanks to / because / besides**) its flexibility. When courses can be (**taking / took / taken**) at any time, students are free to participate in other activities throughout the day.

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Keep in mind that online schooling is not for everyone. Many virtual students miss the peer interaction (**founded / finding / found**) on traditional campuses. Parents find that online schooling (**requires/enquires/acquires**) significant self-discipline from the child and oversight from the caretaker.

**2. Put the bracketed words in the right tense or form. (0.5x7=3.5 marks)**

Like millions of teenagers, Rodrigo Kelton idolized Brazilian soccer superstar Neymar. The schoolboy dreamed of **①(be)** ..... a top striker like his hero. But horrifyingly, Rodrigo was killed on his **②(fourteen)** ..... birthday just yards from his mother's front door. He was shot in the leg, the shoulder and twice in the back of the head. "It was **③(horrify)** .....", said his mother. While Brazil prepares to host FIFA World Cup for some of the **④(good)** ..... -paid players on the planet, this is the grim **⑤(real)** .....for hundreds of thousands of street children like Rodrigo. Rodrigo **⑥(wear)** ..... the number 11 shirt – the same as Neymar at Barcelona. His mum said: "he could have been a **⑦(profession)** .....player". "His tragic and senseless killing reminds us of the extreme dangers children face on the streets," said his mother.

**3. Select six words from the list below to complete the following paragraph. (0.5x6=3 marks)**

phenomenon – rather – fact – phenomena – without – considerable – agreed – agreement

While some people still think global warming is just a fairy tale, the reality is that global warming is a **①** ..... of life acknowledged by all scientists. Not too long ago, there was **②** ..... argument over whether the measured rise in temperature over the last hundred years is a normal cycle of nature, or a human-caused **③** ..... . But in 2001 a panel representing virtually all the world's governments and climate scientists **④** .....that Earth's atmosphere was warming at a rate **⑤** ..... precedent during at least the last 10 thousand years. They added that the warming was not simply a natural cycle within nature, but **⑥** ..... caused by the buildup of greenhouse gases from human activities as car exhaust and the burning of fossil fuels to generate electricity.

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**WRITING ( 5 marks)**

Can we speak of a “**brain drain**” concerning sportsmen/women who are transferred to rich clubs in developed countries to earn more money and become famous?

Write an **article** in your school magazine **stating your point of view** and **giving examples**.

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