

**Epreuve du 1<sup>er</sup> groupe****ANGLAIS**

1 Thiès is a region with 1.348.637 inhabitants and it is the third largest region of Senegal in terms  
2 of population. The city is currently experiencing a very interesting economic development with  
3 the creation of a new industrial, hotel and trade infrastructures. Thus, around 50 tons of garbage  
4 are collected daily and stocked in a dump which is a former quarry. Wastes are dumped there to  
5 fill in holes. **This operation** aims to generate plots for sales and to build houses.

6 Wastes mostly found are plastic wastes (bag, containers, and bottles), tins, food residues,  
7 cardboards, tyres, sponges. Besides these solid refuses, we can equally see liquid wastes such  
8 as motor oil. The dump regularly releases smoke that can be perceived 2kms away from there  
9 according to people living in this area. Populations claim to have many problems inhaling  
10 because of the smoke and the stinking smells coming from the dump.

11 The local population accuses the dump keeper of burning waste in order to have more places  
12 because the dump is full and can no longer contain the daily influx of wastes. Knowing that the  
13 incineration of local wastes, moreover mostly made of plastics, ligneous based –product can  
14 lead to a production of dioxins, furans and other noxious products, we can easily understand  
15 how serious **the situation** is. This situation is more and more serious given that there are many  
16 villages located not far from the dump. The current waste management system includes  
17 collection, transport and uncontrolled dumping. These uncontrolled dumpsites are numerous  
18 and cause serious problems linked to public health and the environmental protection for no  
19 preventive measure has been taken to waterproof the subsoil and cover wastes. Wastes are  
20 carried away by the wind and enter the houses of people living nearby.

21 Thus, it is high time **we** found a solution to this situation and thought of a new strategy to  
22 manage local garbage in the city of Thiès. The amount of wastes the region is capable of  
23 transporting is about 88,000 m<sup>3</sup> and that is only 80% of wastes. These wastes are sometimes  
24 composed of materials that can be recycled but are not. We can start doing something with our  
25 own rubbish. Instead of mixing everything, we can put aside cans together, plastics together  
26 and bottles as well. These products can be recycled.

**I. READING COMPREHENSION (8 marks)**

A) 1) **Tick the most appropriate title for the text** (1 mark)

- a) Senegal and the waste problem
- b) Thiès and the dump keeper
- c) The garbage issue in Thiès

B) **Cloze test: Fill in the blanks in the paragraph with words from the text.** (2.5 marks)

In Thiès, the 2)..... situation is very serious. Everyday a lot of 3).....is rejected in the city and under multiple forms : 4)..... waste is one of the most important issue and is creating serious 5)..... problems. Environmental damage is also occurring in Thiès due to numerous 6)..... located all over the city, with no obvious organization. The consequence, unfortunately is negative on the lives of the 7).....

C) **Write in full letters** (1 mark)

- 8) 88,000 m3 .....
- 9) 80 % .....

D) **Information transfer** (2 marks)  
**Complete the table with words or expressions from the text.**

10) two kinds of waste	....., .....
11) One product coming from the incineration of local waste	.....
12) The yearly waste quantity in Thiès	.....m <sup>3</sup>
13 One solution not applied in the waste management in thiès	.....

E) **Referencing** (1,5 marks)

**What do the following words refer to in the text ?**

- 14) This operation : ( line 5).....
- 15) The situation : (line 16) ( how serious the situation is ).....
- 16) We : (line 22) (it's high time we found a solution) : .....

**II. LINGUISTIC AND COMMUNICATIVE COMPETENCE**

**(8 marks)**

**F) Choose the correct answer**

**(1 mark)**

17) The Mayor is looking forward .....the waste problem in his city

- a) solving
- b) to solving
- c) to solve

18) The populations are worried because there is .....pollution

- a) many
- b) much
- c) few

**G) Word building**

**(2 marks)**

Give the correct derivative of the words in parentheses

The (recycle) 19. .... of garbage is a real issue in our areas. People living near the dumps can't be as 20 (health)..... as other people. In fact, they seem not to be (21 sensitize)..... about the effect of the waste smell on their health. However, with the recycled products, the waste dealers can 22 (product)..... other useful materials.

**H) Notions and functions**

**(2 marks)**

**Match the sentences appropriately**

23) The city is developing economically, <b><u>thus</u></b> , tons of garbage are collected daily.	a) addition b) purpose c) comparison d) advice e) consequence
24) <b><u>besides</u></b> these solid fuses, we can equally see liquid wastes	
25) The local population accuses the dump keeper of burning waste <b><u>in order to</u></b> have more places.	
26) <b><u>we should find</u></b> a solution to the waste problem rapidly.	

23)..... 24)..... 25)..... 26).....

I) **Mrs Ndiaye one of the local authorities is talking to a journalist who came to visit the dumpsites in Thies. (3 marks)**

27. **Journalist** : The waste issue is a big problem that needs tackling, isn't it?

**Mrs Ndiaye** : yes, it's high time .....

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28. **Journalist** : What are the most pressing problems, to day ?

**Mrs Ndiaye** : .....

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29. **Journalist** : What long term solutions do you see ?

**Mrs Ndiaye** : .....

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30. **Journalist** : What role should young people in the local community play ?

**Mrs Ndiaye** : .....

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31. **Journalist** : Aren't some people dragging their feet ?

**Mrs Ndiaye** : Of course ! We should .....

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III. **WRITING** ( 4 marks)

**Choose one of the two topics and write about 150 words**

33).The Garbage collectors have been on strike for a few days in your city. It is a difficult situation, so you go to see the Mayor to complain about it. Write your conversation.

34) Write a letter to the Minister for the Environment to suggest solutions to solve the wastes issues in Senegal. (Do not use your real name. Use a fictitious name)