

**BACCALAUREAT**  
**SESSION 2021**

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**LANGUE VIVANTE 2 : ANGLAIS**

**SERIE : A2**

*Cette épreuve comporte quatre (04) pages numérotées 1/4 2/4 3/4 et 4/4.*

**PART ONE: READING (40%)**

Read the text below and do all the activities that follow.

In Sub-Saharan Africa, the urban population has doubled since the mid-1990s, and reached 400 million people in 2016. According to experts, 40% of the region's total population resides in cities, compared to 31 percent in 2000.

During the next 15 years, the United Nations predicts the world's 10 fastest-growing cities will be in Africa. However, the development of infrastructures and industries has not kept pace with the growth in urban population. Sixty percent of city dwellers in Sub-Saharan Africa live in slums, and only 25 percent have access to safe drinking water.

Poor sewage systems and weak flood control present another challenge. Kouman Kossia Tamia, a traditional queen from Ivory Coast, fears the floods that come with each rainy season. "When the rainy season comes, I cannot do anything because everything is blocked," she said.

Amadou Diarra, mayor of North Pikin, a suburb of Senegal's capital, Dakar, sees human waste management as a growing problem. "Waste is buried because there are no plants to deal with it. Instead, there's only one site that receives all the household waste in the Dakar region. The challenge in moving towards sustainability is to transform waste next to where it is produced rather than bury it underground," he said.

Most of Africa's urban growth is in small and middle size cities, with slightly more than half of African urban dwellers living in cities with populations of less than 250,000. Maggie Chantal, founder of the NGO "Urbanists Without Borders," said these intermediate cities are important to Africa's future because they help connect large cities and rural areas. "Without them," she added, "rural areas have neither equipment nor jobs, which would lead to an intensifying rural exodus by young people." She says large cities only contribute to economic and social problems such as slums.

But Africa already has many large cities, and the cities are getting larger and larger. Lagos, in Nigeria is projected to become the largest city in the world, with an estimated population of 88.3 million people by the year 2100, according to the World Economic Forum.

*Adapted from voanews.com/africa/rapid-urbanization-presents-new-problems-africa* by Nicolas Pinault, May 20, 2019.

### A. VOCABULARY CHECK

The words or expressions in column A are from the text. Match each of them with their synonyms or meanings in column B. One synonym or meaning in column B is not concerned. Write your answers like in the example. Example: 1- e

A	B
1. reached (line 2)	a. potable
2. kept pace with (line 6)	b. female monarch
3. dwellers (line 6)	c. inundation
4. slums (line 7)	d. durability
5. safe (line 7)	e. risen to
6. flood (line 8)	f. progressed at the same speed as
7. challenge (line 8)	g. rubbish, dirty things
8. queen (line 9)	h. problem
9. waste (line 13)	i. deposited in the earth
10. buried (line 13)	j. poor areas in big cities
11. sustainability (line 15)	k. flexibility
	l. residents

### B. COMPREHENSION CHECK

Read the text again and decide if these statements are true (T) or false (F). Then justify your answers by indicating the lines. Write your answers like in the example.

Example: 1. T (line 1).

1. The urban population in Sub-Saharan Africa has doubled since 1995.
2. In 2000, there were less people living in cities than in rural areas of Sub-Saharan Africa.
3. According to United Nations' predictions, the population growth will decrease in Africa in the next 15 years.
4. 75 percent of the people living in slums don't have access to safe drinking water.
5. Kouman Kossia Tamia is a traditional authority.
6. Kouman Kossia Tamia is worried about rainy seasons.
7. The mayor of North Pikin is satisfied with the way rubbish is treated in Dakar region.
8. Mr Amadou Diarra suggests a durable approach to waste management in his country.
9. Medium size cities have population under 250,000 people.
10. Intermediate cities help to reduce rural exodus.
11. According the World Economic Forum the most populated city in 2100 will be in Africa.

### PART TWO: LANGUAGE IN USE (30%).

A. The passage below is an extract from an article related to population issues in Africa. Complete it with the appropriate words from the box below to make it meaningful. Write your answers like in the example.

Example: 1- center

unemployment-center-awareness-published-projected-annual-analysis-growth-while-these-many

Africa is expected to lead the world in population growth by the end of the century, according to an analysis published on Wednesday by the nonpartisan Pew Research 1..... The effects that the 2..... population growth will have on African countries is uncertain, said Mark Hugo Lopez, Director of Global Migration and Demography Research for Pew. 3.....the growth of the countries could result in economic 4 ..... it could also lead to an increase in the 5..... rate and other new economic pressures.

"It's possible that 6..... population pressures could have an impact and create economic pressures as well that 7..... governments may need to address," Lopez said.

The 8..... comes ahead of world Population Day, the 9..... July 11 United Nations event that seeks to raise 10 .....of global population issues. Pew's analysis is based on the world Populations Prospects Report 11..... last month by the U.N.

B. Choose the correct option to complete each of the following sentences about urban problems. Write your answers like in the example.

**Example:** 1 – c

1. Many African countries are confronted..... demographic problems

a- in b- with c-for d- by

2. Would you prefer ..... in a rural area or in a big city ?

a- live b- you are living c-you live d- to live

3. City dwellers suffer..... diverse forms of pollution.

a- from b- in c- of d- with

4. Mayors are responsible..... the treatment of domestic waste in big cities

a- of b-for c- from d- in

5. If they had known, they..... in this risky area.

a- wouldn't live b-have not lived c- would not have lived d- had not lived

6. People living in slums are often dissatisfied... their living conditions.

a- at b- of c-with d-about

7. Listen carefully to me: I've got ..... important advice for a good life in this area

a- a few b- some c-many d-any

8. Keep on..... your environment clean for a healthy life.

a- maintain b- to maintain c-maintaining d- for maintaining

9. I suggest you..... this dangerous area.

a- leave b- left c- had left d- are leaving

10. New medical facilities have been erected..... the city

a- at b- on c-over d-in

11. The National Urbanization Committee strongly disagreed.... the Mayor on his new project.

a- to b- with c- on d-about

### **PART THREE: WRITING (30%)**

Do **only one** of the two tasks below (not more than 25 lines).

**A.** You received a letter from your Nigerian pen friend in which he described the problems related to domestic waste in his city. In your reply, share the experience of how your city deals with domestic waste.

- give the main sources of domestic waste in your country
- mention the main problems domestic waste causes
- say how the authorities of your country deal with these problems.

**B.** As the representative of an international NGO, you are sent to a Liberian city where people are facing problems of domestic waste. You have to talk to the population and sensitize them about this issue. In your speech,

- identify the sources of domestic waste;
- say how it can impact people's lives;
- show how they can solve this problem.