



**BAC BLANC**  
**ANGLAIS**

**I/ LINGUISTIQUE COMPETENCE**

**A – Choose the item that best fills in the gaps. Write down numbers and letters only.**

- 1- This secretary has been working in this company.....two years now.  
a) Ago ; b- for ; c- since ; d- during
- 2- My bank has not sent the statement .....  
a) Yet ; b- already ; c- ago ; d- just
- 3) The time will come .....we shall be very rich.  
a) why ; b- than ; c- when ; d- where
- 4- Nobody has agreed with him, .....?  
a) Has he ; b- have they ; c- hasn't he ; d- haven't they
- 5- The new personnel manager has decided to fire me,.....I can't understand.  
a- Which ; b-what ; c- that ; d- how
- 6- The faster you work, the .....you will finish  
a- Soonest ; b- soon ; c- sooner ; d- most soon
- 7- It is .....to refuse to pay us our allowances.  
a- Irresponsable ; b- irresponsible ; c- responsible ; d- unresponsive
- 8- I wish he .....the AGM last week  
a- Had attended ; b- attended ; c- would attend; d- didn't attend.

**B – Use question word in brackets to ask the required question.**

- 1- The supplier doesn't grant customers any discount (who)
- 2- The man in blue trousers is the chairperson (which)
- 3- The deliverymen came with the goods two weeks ago (how long ago)
- 4- The personnel manager sacked some employees last week (whom)
- 5- Some people prefer buying drugs in the market because they are cheaper. (Why)

**C – Select from the list below the correct word or group of words for each definition. Write down numbers and answers only.**

List : savings account – letter of inquiry – sale by description – deposit account – managing director – Ltd – PLC – forwarding agent – sale on inspection – jobber – customs duties – deposit account – dumping.

- 1- Its maximum number of members can't exceed fifty.

- 2- He relieves traders of complicated customs formalities at the port.
- 3- He sees that the board's decisions are carried out.
- 4- It is sent to the supplier to know if certain goods are available.
- 5- It involves the use of a catalogue to order goods.
- 6- Without notice, You can't draw money from it
- 7- It consists in selling goods abroad at a cheaper price than in the producing country.
- 8- The taxes imposed on the goods entering the country
- 9- He purchases share hoping to resell them at a higher price when prices rise
- 10- He/she is not allowed to have a direct contact with the general public at the stock exchange.

**D - Rewrite the following sentences with given**

- 1- "Don't insist. The shop is closed", the guard told customer.  
The guard told the customer.....
- 2- The cashier paid my cheque promptly  
My cheque.....
- 3- The boss has not been called (by anybody)  
Nobody.....
- 4- If we had informed the shareholders, they would have come to the meeting  
Had .....

**II Reading Comprehension**

1- Once upon a time there was a group of animals who lived and worked together. Hare, their leader, was literate, but unreliable. The other animals were honest, but ignorant.

2- One day Hare said, "my friends, our neighbours are making good progress. They grow this, and buy that, and sell the other, while we just watch. Why don't we follow their example?"

3- The other animals agreed. They sold their cattle, sheep and goats to raise the money, while Hare went in search of a suitable plot of land. Within a month they had raised enough money to buy a plot. and to start construction work.

4- It was no accident that Hare assumed all the main responsibilities: he was the treasurer, secretary, chairman, and everything else you can think of. It was Hare who purchased the plot with the money the animals has raised, and he registered it exclusively in his name.

5- As soon as he had so public-spiritedly performed these tasks, Hare called his colleagues, and said: "Now, my friends, we have the plot of land, and the licence

containing all our names. Let us now make bricks, and carry them to the site of our new premises”

6- The other animals enthusiastically agreed. Within six months, the business premises were completed. Without informing the others, Hare began to embark on a number of lucrative business ventures, buying this, and selling that, until he became quite wealthy. Within a surprisingly short time, he constructed extensions to his premises, and took on additional employees.

7- One day, Wangwe, a shareholder, approached Hare for some financial assistance: his wife was sick, and he wanted to take her hospital. Hare refused, and when Wangwe tried to reason with him, he ordered him to leave the premises immediately.

8- Filled with a mixture of rage, frustration and embarrassment, Wangwe went to inform the other shareholders about what had happened. They were all amazed at what he told them, and decided at once to send a deputation to see Hare.

9- They found Hare sitting in his office. The spokesman, Mr. Wanjofu, demanded an explanation. “You’re wasting your time”, Hare said, bluntly. “These premises are mine, and I can prove it. In fact, I advise you to leave at once, as you are trespassing”.

10- The animals were stunned in an instant, M. Wanjofi had knocked Hare sprawling to the ground. Some of Hare’s employees rushed in to assist him. In the fight that ensued. Several were injured before the animals were finally ejected from the premises.

11- The animals were arrested by the police, taken to court and sentenced to seven years’ imprisonment and thirty strokes.

12- Back in the village, the local chief called a meeting. He addressed the meeting as follows:

“As the law says, ignorance is no defence. ‘Hare has exploited our ignorance, cheated us of our rightful dues, and even had is put in jail. Even today, I am sorry to say that there are still Hares among us who seek to exploit us. Do you want this to happen again?”

“No! They replied, with one voice.

“Then we must all learn to read and write. EDUCATION is the key to justice and progress.

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**Item 1:** Here is a summary of the text you’ve just read. The following words are missing. Use them to complete it. (Don’t copy the summary. Put the numbers and answers only). (Knocked; refused; raised; purchased; share; punished; showed; claimed; ventures; tresspassing

Here is a summary of the text you've just read with ten (10) words missing, read it and write down in the form a list the ten words which are left out.

" The animals decided to buy a plot of land on which to build business premises. They all (1)..... the money as well as bricks for the building work. As he was the only one who could read,

Hare (2) ..... The land in his own name. After the animals had erected the building, he began to use them for own business (3) ..... When challenged by the other animals he (4) .....that the land and building were his own. He (5).....to give the others any (6) .....in the profit and accused them of (7) .....enraged , one of the animals (8).....him and the police were called in. in the court hare (9) .....the papers that were all in his name and the animals were severely (10)..... .

**Item2:** Answer these concisely these questions

1. Why didn't Hare inform the other animals when he began his business ventures?
2. What showed that Hare's ventures brought him wealth (riches)?
3. What lesson can you personally draw from this story?

**Item3:** Find from the text words or phrases which mean the same as:

1. Able to read and write (paragraph 1)
2. The president of the board of directors (paragraph4)
3. An authorization granted to someone to carry out a certain trade. (paragraph5)
4. Members of a staff paid to work for somebody (paragraph6)

**Item4:** translate into French

"It was no accident .....in his name ".

### **III- composition**

What do you understand by "Education is the Key to justice and progress?"

Do you think that in our modern world it is possible for illiterate people to succeed in business?

Justify your viewpoint by giving outstanding reasons and examples.

Not more than 20 lines

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