

The First Term English Exam

Assia Djébar

Assia Djébar was an Algerian writer and filmmaker whose novels, were written in French, most of them focus on women and their place in Algerian society. Her original name is **Fatma-Zohra Imalhayène**. She is considered to be one of the North Africa's well-known writer .

She was born on June 30th , 1936, in Cherchell, Algeria. a small village near Algiers .Her career as a novelist began in 1957 with the publication of her first novel, *La Soif (The Mischief)*. It was followed by *Les Impatients* (1958; “The Impatient Ones”), which similarly dealt with young women within the colonial Algerian bourgeois milieu.

Djébar spent most of the war years outside Algeria, but afterward she taught history at the University of Algiers, was made department head of the French Section at the university, and became a filmmaker.

Djébar moved to the United States in 1995 and taught French literature at Louisiana State University and then at New York University. In 2005, Djébar was elected to the Académie Française. She died on February 6th , 2015, Paris, France.

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A- Reading comprehension (7pts)

Task one: Read the text then answer the following questions (2 pts)

- 1) When was Assia Djébar born ?.....
- 2) Was she a painter ?

Task two: Read the text again and write ‘true’ or ‘false’ (3 pts)

1. She spent most of the years inside Algeria .
2. She taught French at the University of Algiers .
3. She was a professor at Louisiana State University .

Task three : (2 pts)

a- Find in the text word or phrases that are synonym to

outstanding =..... *author* =.....

b- Find in the text words or phrases that are opposite to :

died =/=..... *big* =/=.....

B- Mastery of language (7 pts)

Task one: Spot the mistakes then correct them (2pts)

mohamed Dib as is famous as kateb yacine .

Task two: Classify the adjectives in the table below (1 pt)

-Lazy -active -smart -selfish

Positive adjectives	Negative adjectives
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Task three : Turn the following sentences into the passive form: (2pts)

a. Assia Djébar wrote « *Les Enfants du nouveau monde* » in 1962

« *Les Enfants du nouveau monde* »

b. Assia Djébar published « *Rouge l'aube* » in 1969

«*Rouge l'aube* »

Task three : classify the following words according to the final “ed” pronunciation (2 pts)

- *elected* - *moved* -*died* - *published*


<i>/t/asked</i>	<i>/d/ listened</i>	<i>/Id /wanted</i>
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Part two (6pts)

Situation of integration

Your e-pen friend wants to know about a famous Algerian .Use the information from the ID card

to write a short paragraph about the prominent Algerian thinker “Malek Bennabbi”. (6pts)

<p>ID card</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name: Malek Bennabbi. • Date of Birth: January1st ,1905 , Constantine , Algeria • Occupation: a writer, a thinker , a philosopher and university lecturer • Works: more than 25 books <ul style="list-style-type: none"> « <i>Les Condition De la Renaissance</i> » 1948 « <i>The Question Of Culture</i> »1954 • Date of death: October 31st 1973 , Algiers 	
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A- Reading comprehension (6pts)

Task one: (2 pts)

- 1- She was born on June 30th, 1936/ on June 30th, 1936/
- 2-No / No ,she was not /no , she was a filmmaker/writer /novelist

Task two: (3 pts)

- 1-False
- 2-True
- 3-false

Task three : (2 pts)

outstanding =well-known *author* =writer /novelist
died /=was born. *big* /=small

B- Mastery of language (6 pts)

Task one: (2pts)

Mohamed Dib **is as** famous as **Kateb Yacine** .

Task two: (1pt)

Positive adjectives	Negative adjectives
- active	- Lazy
- smart	- selfish

Task three : Turn the following sentences into the passive form: (2pts)

- « *Les Enfants du nouveau monde* » was **WRITTEN** by Assia Djébar in 1962
- « *Rouge l'aube* » was **published** by Assia Djébar in 1969.

Task three : (2 pts)

/t/asked	/d/ listened	/Id /wanted
published	died - moved	- elected

Part two (6pts)

Situation of integration

Criteria	GOOD	FAIR	POOR
Relevance (2pts)	-All the ideas are related to the Topic (1.5pts) - Format : correct (1.5pts)	- Some ideas are related to the topic (1pt) - Format: partly correct (1pt)	- Very little reference to the topic - Format (1pt)
Coherence (2pts)	-Ideas are well organized. - Introduction /topic sentence - Four or more supporting sentences - Conclusion /closing sentence -All sentences are linked correctly. (2pts)	- Some ideas are organized -Topic sentence /introduction - No closing sentence /no conclusion. Two or three supporting sentences -Some sentences are linked correctly (1.5pts)	Ideas are not well organized No conclusion - Sentences are not linked correctly (1pt)
Correct use of language (2pts)	-Correct use of tense -different grammatical items necessary to develop the topic - correct use of linking words Appropriate vocabulary (2pts)	-Only some verbs are correctly conjugated -use of some grammatical items -use of few linking words -Appropriate vocabulary (1.5pts)	- incorrect use of grammatical items - no linking words - limited vocabulary (1pt)
Excellence (2pts)	Creativity and originality (bright ideas, varied vocabulary items , good proper presentation , legible hand writing		