

THE FINAL ENGLISH EXAM

Level: 4AM

Duration: 1h30

Text:

Bill and Simone Butler left Miami one week-end in their boat. They wanted to sail round the Caribbean Sea for two weeks. (§1)

During their holiday, they saw a large group of whales. Bill and Simon were very excited. Unfortunately, while they were watching them, the whales started to hit the side of the boat. Suddenly, water started getting in and they realized that they were in trouble. They quickly jumped into the lifeboat while the boat was sinking, and watched it disappear under the sea. (§2)

Fortunately, they had enough food and water for twenty days. They also had a fishing rode and a machine which made salt water into drinking water. These helped them to survive during their terrible experience. For the next fifty days, when there was no food left, they caught ten fish a day and ate them raw. (§3)

The Butlers saw about twenty ships, but although they waved and shouted while they were passing, nobody saw or heard them. They were becoming weaker and weaker. Then, just as they were beginning to lose hope, a fishing boat rescued them. Their disastrous holiday was over. (§4)

PART ONE : A/ READING COMPREHENSION (07pts)

Read the text carefully and do the following activities

Activity one : Match each title to its corresponding paragraph: (02pts)

Titles	Paragraphs
The hard days at sea.	Paragraph one (§1)
The rescue.	Paragraph two (§2)
The sailing holiday.	Paragraph three (§3)
The accident.	Paragraph four (§4)

Activity two : Read the following statements and write “**true**”, “**false**” or “**not mentioned**” (03pts)

- 1/ The whales caused the damage of the boat.
- 2/ Italian fishermen saved the Butlers.
- 3/ Bill and Simon sailed round the Mediterranean Sea.

Activity three: Find in the text words, phrases that are closest in meaning to the following: (02pts)

horrible =

begun =

saved =

Problem =

B/ MASTERY OF LANGUAGE (07pts)

Activity one: Write the correct form of the verbs between brackets: (03pts)

Bill and Simon (**to be**) good brothers. Last week-end, they (**to go**) fishing together in a nice lake. They (**to enjoy**) their time there and (**to catch**) a lot of fish. If it (**not to rain**) next Sunday, they (**to return**) there.

Activity two: Reorder the following words to get coherent sentences :(02pts)

1) camping / when / was / a crocodile / I / a river / saw / near/ I / .

2) if / you / ? / attacks / a snake / will / what / you / do /

Activity three: Find in the text four words that have the following sounds: (02pts)

/ei / stay	/ai/ fine
1-	1-
2-	2-

PART TWO: Integrated Situation (06pts)

As you were camping with some friends, something bad happened. So you decided to go back home.

- Write an **email** to your pen friend living in another city and tell him /her what happened.

• These clues can help you :

Date (when) : Spring , Summer , holidays ...

Place (where) : Forest , beach , mountains ...

The first day , the second day/ Your feelings ...etc