

Level : 3AM

Final English Examination

Name : .....

Class: 3AM...

Text: *Taj Mahal*

Taj Mahal is a mausoleum, a burial place. It is on the south bank of Yamuna River, outside the city of Agra, India. It is a rectangle figure measuring 580 meters by 305 meters. It stands on a square marble base. There is a garden area in the centre of the rectangle. The construction of the Taj Mahal took 22 years, from 1632 to 1654. More than 20.000 workers labored daily to complete the mausoleum.

Shah Jahan, the ruler of India from 1628 to 1658, built Taj Mahal for his beloved wife when she died in 1631. Later Jahan also was buried there.

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Interactive Encyclopedia.

**PART ONE:    A / Reading comprehension:    (07pts)**

Read the text carefully and do the following activities:

**Activity one:** Complete the following table with information from the text: (03pts)

Monument	Place	Shape	Material	Size
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

**Activity two :** Answer the following questions : (02pts)

1/ Did it take a long time to complete the mausoleum ?

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2/ What do the underlined words refer in the text:

She: .....

There: .....

**Activity three :** (02 pts)

c) Find in the text words that are closest in meaning to the following :

building = .....

finish = .....

d) Find in the text words that are opposite in meaning to the following:

earlier ≠ .....

less ≠ .....

B / Mastery of language : (07pts)

**Activity one :** Supply the punctuation and capital letters where necessary : (02pts)

next week andy Parker will visit the tassili .  
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**Activity two :** Write the correct form of the verbs between brackets : (03pts)

Every term, our school ( to organize) ..... an excursion. Last week, we (to visit) ..... EL Moudjahid museum where we (to see) ..... a lot of pictures and valuable objects. Next time, I ( to go) ..... there with my parents.

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

/ ei / play	/ ai / fine
3- .....	3- .....
4- .....	4- .....

PART TWO: Written expression (06 pts)

Our country is full of wonderful places and monuments. Write a short letter to your English pen friend to invite him /her to come and visit a famous monument or a place in Algeria. Describe it to him/her.

Here are some clues to help you:

- Monument's name / visit / admire/ location / material / shape / height ...etc
- Wonderful/ fantastic / you won't forget it ...etc.