

SECOND TERM ENGLISH EXAMINATION

PART ONE: Reading

A) Comprehension: Read the text carefully then do the activities

People in Beijing cannot see the sun. The air is full of smog (a mixture of smoke and fog). The smog is so thick that **it** blocks the sun all day. People really miss seeing the sun. Beijing's leaders decided to do something so people could see the sunrise. They put giant LED screens across the city. People stand in front of the digital screens and watch the sunrise. The screen in Tiananmen Square also had a special message on it. It was a public announcement that read: "Protecting the atmosphere and environment is everyone's responsibility." The live, digital sunrise is already a hit with tourists. Ricardo Hernandez from Mexico said: "It looks like science fiction. It's kind of cool, but it's also worrying. This smog sucks."

The air quality in China's cities often becomes bad in winter. People burn more coal for heating in the winter months. This makes more pollution. Beijing's mayor promised to make the air cleaner. **He** said the city would spend \$2.4 billion this year to improve the air quality. Many workers wore face masks on their way to work. They did not want to breathe the poisonous air. One man told reporters: "I couldn't see the tall buildings across the street this morning. The smog has become worse in the last two to three years." He said the smog usually makes him feel bad: "I often cough and my nose is always running," he said. The US embassy, advised people to, "avoid all physical activity outdoors".

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1401/140121-sunrise.html>

1) Say whether the following statements are true or false:

- a) People in Beijing are not able to see the sun in Beijing.
- b) The smog in Beijing blocks the sun in the morning.
- c) People in Beijing can now watch the sunrise on their TVs
- d) People in China burn coal in winter.

2) Answer the questions according to the text

- a) Why do authorities in Beijing put giant LED screens?
- b) Whose responsibility is it to protect the atmosphere and environment?
- c) Does the air quality in China actually get better in winter?
- d) Who advised people to avoid exercise outside?

3) What or who do the underlined words refer to?

It § (1) , He §(2)

4) In which paragraph is it mentioned that?

-A man could not see the tall buildings across the street.

Text exploration

1-Find words closest in meaning to the following:

A-very big (§1) b- toxic (§2)

2-Complete the table as shown in the example

Nouns	Verbs	Adjectives
invention	To invent	inventive
protection
.....	solved
.....	reaction

3-Rewrite the following sentences so they have the same meaning::

1-a-People must reduce air pollution

b-Air pollution.....by people

2-a-Governments recycle rubbish to protect nature

b-Rubbishby governments to protect nature

4-Classify the following words according to their number of syllables:

Poisonous -environment -rubbish -burn

1syll	2sylls	3sylls	4sylls

Part Two: Written Expression (05 points)

Write a paragraph of about **10lines** on of the following topic

Pollution is a dangerous problem endangering people ,animals and nature in general.

Write a paragraph suggesting solutions to reduce its effects