

ENGLISH MOCK EXAM N 3

Duration: 2hours

Academic year : 2011/2012

Name:.....

Level: 2<sup>nd</sup> year baccalaureate

Final mark:...../40

**TEXT:**

- 1- *Facebook* is a social utility that helps people communicate more efficiently with their friends, families and colleagues. Mark Zuckerberg, the founder of *Facebook*, was born on May 14, 1984 in New York. He went to high school at the age of 15. There, he excelled in Latin, so he moved to Phillips Academy to study Latin classics. After Phillips Academy, he enrolled at Harvard University. As a student, he continually worked on computer projects from his dormitory room. He got into trouble because he used private and personal student's information to create an online directory. Consequently, the computer services department wrote a complaint to the administrative board to take measures against Mark. This didn't prevent him from working on his project. He built a programme to help the workers in his father's office communicate with each other and he created a version of the game called *Risk* and a music player named *Synapse*.
- 2- Mark Zuckerberg launched *Facebook* from his Harvard dormitory room on February 4, 2004. The idea for *Facebook* came from his days at Phillips Academy which, like most colleges and preparatory schools, had a long tradition of publishing an annual student directory known as "*Facebook*". It contained photos of all students, professors and staff. After *Facebook* had become a success on his own campus, he and his roommate, Dustin Moskovitz, began spreading it to other colleges. In 2005, more than 30 university students were able to use *Facebook*. That year, Mark and Dustin moved to California and set up an office there. Although they originally intended to go back to Harvard at the end of the summer, their business flourished and they stayed on the west coast. Today, *Facebook* has four buildings in California.
- 3- *Facebook* is now the second most visited site on the Internet. Zuckerberg was offered \$ 1 billion to sell the company, but he said no. His refusal to sell it out made people talk. Critics are comparing *Facebook* to *Friendster*, the first social networking website. In 2002, *Friendster* was offered \$30 million by Google, and the offer was turned down. On December 2, 2009, *Facebook* claimed that it had attained over 350 million users.
- 4- A movie based on Zuckerberg and the founding years of *Facebook*, called *The Social Network*, was released on October 1, 2010. The film star Jesse Eisenberg played Zuckerberg in the movie. After Zuckerberg was told about the film, he responded, "I just wished that nobody made a movie of me while I was still alive." The film is based on the book *The Accidental Billionaires* by Ben Mezrich and won the *Golden Globes* award for Best Picture on January 16, 2011. Producer Scott Rudin thanked *Facebook* and Zuckerberg "for his willingness to allow us to use his life and work as a metaphor

through which to tell a story about communication and the way we relate to each other”.

COMPREHENSION (15 points) BASE ALL YOUR ANSWERS ON THE TEXT

A. **Fill in the chart with the right information from the text. (3points)**

| Years | Events (What happened)                                          |
|-------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|
| ..... | Mark and Dustin moved to California and set up an office there. |
| 2009  | .....                                                           |
| 2011  | .....                                                           |

B. **Are these statements TRUE or FALSE? Justify. (3points)**

**1.** Mark moved to Phillips Academy to study computer science.

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**2.** Synapse is the name Mark gave to a new computer.

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**3.** Friendster refused to sell its website.

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C. **Answer these questions: (3points)**

1. Why did the computer services department complain to the administrative board? .....

2. Where did Mark first start Facebook?

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3. What is the film Social Network about?

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D. **What do the underlined words in the text refer to? (3points)**

1. There: .....

2. They : .....

3. It: .....

E. **Find in the text words that mean almost the same as: (3points)**

1. Service (paragraph 1): .....

2. Yearly (paragraph 2): .....

3. Reached (paragraph 3): .....

**LANGUAGE (15points)**

A. **FILL IN THE GAPS WITH APPROPRIATE WORDS FROM THE LIST (1.5pts)**

**Where - which - who - whom - whose**

Many Moroccan immigrants .....live abroad would like to return to Morocco .....they can invest their money. They have promising projects .....will certainly help to improve the local economy.

B. **REWRITE THE SENTENCES BEGINNIG WITH THE WORDS GIVEN. (3points)**

1. “I won’t be able to attend the wedding party”.

Kamal said.....

2. The association has funded many social projects.

Many social projects.....

3. Mounir dropped out of school at an early age.

Mounir wishes.....

**C. FILL IN EACH GAP WITH AN APPROPRIATE WORD FROM THE LIST (1.5pts)**

1. My aunt promised .....me when she gets to Amsterdam.

**Calling - to call - call**

2. Samir wants to .....his own import-export business.

**Put up - get up - set up**

3. "Here's your new computer, take.....of it", Samir's father said

**Care - carefully - careful**

**D. JOIN THE PAIRS OF SENTENCES WITH THE LINKING WORDS GIVEN. (3Pts)**

1. Amine is a fan of Real Madrid. His two brothers like FC Barcelona. ( **whereas** )  
.....
2. Najib and his friends collected money. They wanted to plant trees in their school. ( **in order to** ) .....
3. There are civil wars in many parts of the world, that's why thousands of people are driven out of their homes. ( **due to** )  
.....

**E. Put the verbs between brackets in the correct tense: (3points)**

Last Monday, while firemen (*try*).....to put out the fire in the forest, two helicopters (*join*)..... them. Unfortunately, most of the trees were destroyed. We hope that by the end of 2012, the local authorities (*replant*).....the forest.

**F. Match each expression with its appropriate function. (3points)**

|                                                              |                       |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. "I personally think that women shouldn't stay at home."   | a . complaining       |
| 2. "I 'm really sorry; I'm late again".                      | b. expressing opinion |
| 3. "enough is enough; I can't stand this behavior anymore!". | c. offering           |
|                                                              | d. appologising       |
|                                                              | e. requesting         |
|                                                              | f. giving advice      |

**WRITING / (10points)**

Young people often face various problems at home or at school. Write an e-mail to a friend telling him /her about a problem that you or one of your friends once had.

- What was the problem? When was it?
- Who was involved? (father, mother, teacher, headmaster, classmates..etc)
- Was the problem solved? How?
- How did you or your friend feel?
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