..... Middle School

Level:4ms First term English Exam **Time: 1h30**

Text:

Mother Earth's letter

Dear Friend,

When I was young, I started my day on the East so I could welcome the warm sunrise. The air was ,cool and smell so fresh. The flowers $^{f lpha}$ were blooming with colours and the butterflies $^{f lpha}$ were flying freely in the Babylonian gardens. The sky was so blue and the birds glided gracefully with their sweet songs. The rivers were clear as a mirror and fish swam under the beauty of the pacific sea. When the moon Oand the sun ⇔set above the ocean, the water • twinkled like a diamond star.

These were the memories of my past that I miss so hard. Time has faded my beauty and others abused my generosity. I gave shelter to humans and nurtured his wildlife. I gave you food, clothing and medicine... but you gave me nothing. The billion of years that I took care of your generation have led to my destruction. I gave you everything, my friend, but again, you gave me nothing. I am writing ∠ you today to say that I love you my dear friend. I want to share with you everything and all that is left of what I have so you can live happily with your family. I am willing to sacrifice my life for your survival ...because I care for you.

Time of my death is still unknown Just like you my friend, I will soon grow old and die but to be honest, I am scared $oldsymbol{\otimes}$ to die, I am scared not to see your children grow and I will be hurt to leave this world. Do you really love me, my friend? Then, why don't you take care of me like the way I take care of you? I am dying... I need you to save me ... You are my only last hope.

> Love. Mother Earth

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I / READING COMPREHENSION: (07 Pts.)

a) Read the text and choose (a, b or c) to complete the following sentences: (03 Pts.)

1/ In the past, Earth was -----

a) beautiful

b) horrible

c) ugly

2/ Mother Earth is ----- now.

a) happy

b) sad

c) pleased

3/ In her letter, Mother Earth is asking for -----.

a) death

b) pollution **c)** help

b) Read the text again and answer the following questions: 02 Pts.)

- 1/ Does earth dislike humans living on her?
- 2/ Does the earth need us to do save her?
- c) LEXIS :(02 Pts.)
- 1) Find in the text words closest in meaning to the following: a/like=----- b/protect=------
- 2) Find in the text words opposite in meaning to the following: a/known ≠----- b/life ≠------

II / MASTERY OF LANGUAGE : (07 Pts.)

a) Reorder these words to get a meaningful sentence: (02 Pts.)

always/is/causing/to/./problems/earth/man

b) Write the correct form of the verbs between brackets: (03Pts.)

- 1/ In the past, Mother Earth (to be)so beautiful, but now, she (not/to be)......happy.
- 2/we must (to protect) our environment.

c) <u>Pick out from the text four verbs and complete the table according to the pronunciation of their final (ed</u>): (02 Pts.)

/ t /	/ d /	/ id /
1-	1-	1-
		2-

III / Integrated Situation : (06 Pts.)

You received Mother Earth's letter and that made you feel the great resposibility towards your environment.

Write a <u>letter</u> of reply to Mother Earth in which you <u>admit</u> all the harm that the man causes to the environment, <u>show</u> your love to her and what you will <u>do to protect her</u>.

This cues may help you:

What Mother Earth gives	What we(humans) did/do to	What must we do to save her?
us.	her.	
◆Thanks for being our domain in this universe. ◆forests /fresh air /to breathwater/cleaning/drinking-seas/food	 ♦ We know/cry/hurt you . ♦ We/ greedy/selfish. ♦ Destroy/to cut /forests/pollute /air/water/soil . ♦ Throw rubbish everywhere 	◆We/protect/environment/plants/ani mals- Not pollute air,water,land



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