

Épreuve 2011
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Préambule

Ce document propose l'énoncé de l'épreuve d'Anglais du concours EPL/S 2011.

Consignes

La durée de l'épreuve est de 2h. Le jour de l'épreuve, les réponses sont reportées sur un formulaire où le candidat noircit les cases «A», «B», «C», «D» ou «E». Il est demandé d'utiliser un stylo bille ou une pointe feutre de couleur noire.

La consigne qui s'applique est la suivante :

Les extraits ci dessous abordent des thèmes divers tirés de l'actualité. Pour chaque phrase numérotée, vous devez choisir le mot ou l'expression correcte et noircir la case correspondante sur la feuille de réponses.

Dans cette épreuve, chaque question ne comporte qu'une seule bonne réponse. En 2011, il n'y avait pas de pénalité en cas de mauvaise réponse.

Secret Pay Deals Give Top Police Thousands Extra

Senior police officers are receiving "off-book payments" and secret **1)** _____ totaling hundreds of thousands of pounds, including private school fees and cars for their **2)** _____.

The Times has discovered that one chief constable heading a **3)** _____ of just 1,700 officers was paid a £74,000 top-up on his salary last year. Sean Price, of the Cleveland force, was paid a £50,000 "retention package" and an "honorarium" of £24,000, raising his **4)** _____ to £200,000.

The private deals, sometimes referred to as debentures or supplements, are negotiated with police authorities behind closed doors and paid **5)** _____ salaries agreed in national negotiations.

The incentives include generous relocation deals, satellite TV, home security and even "lifestyle coaching". They are legal but largely hidden from the public.

Ian McPherson, head of Norfolk police, received £70,000 **6)** _____ his £126,000 salary in 2007-08 when his police authority paid the stamp duty on his purchase of a new house.

Sir Norman Bettison, West Yorkshire's chief constable, has a "unique package" worth about £55,000 a year.

Essex Police Authority paid a "golden handcuffs" bonus to the chief constable, Roger Baker, but the strategy failed because he retired this week.

The pay deals are the subject of fierce disagreement among chief police officers and officials, who are **7)** _____ today in Manchester for the annual conference of the Association of Chief Police Officers (ACPO) and the Association of Police Authorities.

Sir Ken Jones, the retiring president of ACPO, said: "If people feel that the pay scales need to change then they **8)** _____ openly renegotiated. These payments effectively lock people into a particular force and inhibit movement and development."

Another senior officer told *The Times*: "We should not have such secrets in the Police Service. This works totally against the idea of equal **9)** _____. You have to be part of the inner circle."

But Stephen Bett, the **10)** _____ of Norfolk Police Authority, said: "If chief executives of district councils, with very limited direct public accountability, are paid £120,000 a year, what would attract anyone to be Chief Constable of Norfolk, with all his direct accountability, for £129,000 per year?"

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| 1) A) packages | B) packs | C) perks | D) peaks | E) peals |
| 2) A) grouses | B) spouses | C) ladies | D) women | E) dames |
| 3) A) fanfare | B) flight | C) flock | D) fight | E) force |
| 4) A) income | B) indemnity | C) compensation | D) dowry | E) draught |
| 5) A) over and above | B) over and around | C) around and over | | |
| | D) above and around | E) around and above | | |
| 6) A) topping up | B) topping over | C) beyond | D) upper | E) higher than |
| 7) A) thronging | B) flocking | C) thriving | D) picking | E) gathering |
| 8) A) would be | B) should be | C) might be | D) must have been | E) could have been |
| 9) A) chances | B) occasions | C) hazards | D) opportunities | E) luck |
| 10) A) chairman | B) watchman | C) principal | D) guard | E) chef |

140 Killed In Western China After Uighur Riots and Security Crackdown

Running battles **11)** _____ through the city of Urumqi throughout Sunday, pitting members of the Uighur minority **12)** _____ ethnic Han Chinese. Witnesses said that up to 3,000 rioters went on the rampage, smashing buses and overturning police barricades during several hours of violence.

State television showed cars in flames in the streets, and others being over-turned by rioters. Other **13)** _____ showed a number of men attacking a man, apparently a Han Chinese, who lay on the street bleeding from the head and from injuries to other parts of his body.

Burnt-out buses lay **14)** _____ on the streets of Urumqi, the capital of China's restive, westernmost region of Xinjiang.

The death toll from the day of violence was **15)** _____ 140 by the Xinjiang police, who said 816 were injured. The numbers were announced by the state run Xinhua news agency in an unusually **16)** _____ revelation of the extent of the violence.

Police said the number of dead was expected to rise. State television said at least one member of the paramilitary People's Armed Police **17)** _____.

Uighur exile groups said the violence started when Chinese security forces **18)** _____ the peaceful protest.

It was only after dark and following several hours of violence that the paramilitary police, equipped with tear gas and firing weapons, **19)** _____ to restore order.

The violence **20)** _____ days after reports of ethnic clashes between Han Chinese and Uighur workers occurred at a toy factory in the southern Guangdong province in which two Uighurs were killed and 188 wounded.

State media said the latest riot was not a spontaneous outburst but was incited by a small group of people intent on stirring up trouble. It gave no other details.

- 11) A) roved B) rallied C) rioted D) raged E) reigned
- 12) A) against B) over C) through D) around E) across
- 13) A) footage B) armrest C) backrest D) legroom E) handout
- 14) A) fought B) tom C) scattered D) flattened E) sharpened
- 15) A) put up B) put over C) put up with D) put at E) put out
- 16) A) swallow B) swift C) swish D) swivel E) swept
- 17) A) has killed B) had been killed C) been killed
D) will have been killed E) will have killed
- 18) A) kick down on B) cracked down on C) shut down D) closed down on E) turned down
- 19) A) could have B) were able C) could have been able D) could be able E) could able
- 20) A) flew B) fought C) flashed D) flared E) fired

Just Add Lime (to the sea) - The Latest Plan To Cut CO2 Emissions

Putting lime into the oceans could stop or even reverse the accumulation of CO₂ in the atmosphere, according to proposals **21)** _____ at a conference on climate change solutions in Manchester today.

According to its **22)** _____ the same technique could help fix one of the most dangerous side **23)** _____ of man-made CO₂ emissions: rising ocean acidity.

The project, known as Cquestrate, is the **24)** _____ of Tim Kruger, a former management consultant. "This is an idea that can not only stop the clock on carbon dioxide, it can **25)** _____" he said, although he conceded that **26)** _____ large quantities of lime into the sea would currently be illegal.

The oceans are a key part of the natural carbon cycle, in which carbon dioxide is circulated between the land, seas and atmosphere. About half of the CO₂ released into the air by humans each year is soaked up by the oceans. This helps slow the rate of global warming but increases ocean acidity, **27)** _____ a potentially disastrous threat to marine ecosystems.

Kruger's scheme aims to boost the ability of the oceans to absorb CO₂ but to do so in a way that helps reduce rather than increase ocean acidity. This is achieved by converting limestone into lime, in a process similar to **28)** _____ used in the cement industry, and adding the lime to seawater.

Cquestrate is one of a number of **29)** _____ "geo-engineering schemes" that have been **30)** _____ to intervene in the Earth's systems in order to tackle climate change.

- 21) A) revived B) unveiled C) undiscovered D) defiled E) dismantled
 22) A) advocates B) lawyers C) barristers D) attorneys E) solicitors
 23) A) inflections B) affections C) infections D) effectives E) effects
 24) A) whiz kid B) crack C) brainchild D) prodigy E) wisecrack
 25) A) turn it in B) turn it back C) turn it on D) turn it over E) turn it up
 26) A) tipping B) sipping C) diving D) slurping E) gulping
 27) A) giving B) handling C) churning D) taking E) posing
 28) A) these B) this C) them D) therefore E) those
 29) A) thus-called B) so-called C) called off D) called E) calling
 30) A) offered B) demanded C) proposed D) given E) taken

More 'All-through' Schools For Children Aged Three To Nineteen

Thousands of children will be **31)** _____ at the same school from the age of three to 19 under an expansion of "all-through" education.

The number of schools serving **32)** _____, primary and secondary pupils will increase by more than 50 per cent in September.

Under plans, some children will receive specialist teaching in subjects such as Maths, English, PE and Art, aged just five.

It is designed to stretch the brightest pupils, giving them secondary-style lessons and allowing children to sit GCSEs early.

The proposals are **33)** _____ on the private sector where pupils often move between preparatory and senior schools on the same site.

But critics **34)** _____ that the expansion of risks might just overwhelm young children, who are often lost in large schools, and pushing some pupils too early.

The disclosure comes just days after the Government unveiled plans to increase the number of semi-independent state school academies in England, sponsored and **35)** _____ churches, charities and entrepreneurs.

Some 133 academies are **36)** _____ open, but that figure will **37)** _____ to 200 in September. A further 100 will be developed in 2010.

Thirteen of the existing academies are "all through", the SSAT said, with seven more opening in September and more expected the following year.

A prospectus **38)** _____ by the SSAT says: "Pupils have greater opportunities to access aspects of the curriculum which might **39)** _____ be denied them because of the phase **40)** _____ which they are working. Some pupils in year five (nine and 10-year-olds) might be ready to access aspects of the specialist secondary curriculum, but this is difficult to achieve outside an all-through school."

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| 31) A) learnt | B) learned | C) taught | D) teached | E) teachable |
| 32) A) nursing | B) nursery | C) nourish | D) nurture | E) nourishment |
| 33) A) chiseled | B) hammered | C) sculpted | D) modeled | E) designed |
| 34) A) claim | B) shout | C) yell | D) proclaim | E) pretend |
| 35) A) put through | B) pulled through | C) walked over | D) run over | E) run by |
| 36) A) still | B) yet | C) left | D) even | E) already |
| 37) A) grow | B) ripen | C) mature | D) top | E) heighten |
| 38) A) framed | B) auditioned | C) edited | D) published | E) binded |
| 39) A) otherwise | B) wisely | C) sidetrack | D) tracked | E) wistfully |
| 40) A) to | B) in | C) of | D) too | E) out |

Obama Hopes For 'Extraordinary Progress' At Kremlin Summit

Barack Obama sat down for a two-day summit at the Kremlin today, holding out the hope of "extraordinary progress" towards further reductions in the nuclear arsenal of the two old Cold War rivals.

Mr Obama **41)** _____ Moscow's Vnukovo airport with his wife, Michelle, and two young daughters to unseasonably cold weather and cloudy skies, **42)** _____ hours of heavy rain came to an end as Air Force One touched down.

After a **43)** _____ greeting ceremony, the Obama motorcade sped along a barricaded highway towards the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, where Mr Obama laid a **44)** _____ before getting down to talks with his host, President Medvedev.

The talks will focus on agreeing a successor to the 1991 Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty (START), which expires in December. A US official confirmed today that there was already a text for the two men to review during their talks, although the summit communiqué will be a statement of intent **45)** _____ a full treaty.

But the Russian leader **46)** _____ the gauntlet on the eve of Mr Obama's visit, challenging him to roll back a planned missile shield in Eastern Europe in return for making huge cuts in Russia's nuclear arsenal.

The challenge came in an interview with Italian media in which he insisted that any agreement **47)** _____ concessions on the European-based missile shield proposed by President Bush.

Mr Obama knows that there is no political capital in making concessions while Moscow looks so uninterested in making any of its own. His visit is being closely watched at home by opponents eager to see him **48)** _____ a foreign policy blunder, and ordinary Americans concerned by the threat that could be posed by a nuclear Iran.

In an indication of the **49)** _____ atmosphere, Russia's Kremlin-controlled main television channels, the chief source of news for most Russians have **50)** _____ Obama's visit and his arrival was not shown live on TV.

"This is being played as essentially a low-key visit that shows the American leadership's respect for the Russian leadership," Dmitry Trenin, head of the Moscow Carnegie Centre think-tank, said "This is not some star coming to town."

- 41) A) flew in B) flown in C) flew into D) flown into E) filed in
- 42) A) although B) tougher C) throughout D) thorough E) altogether
- 43) A) lowest B) key-note C) low note D) low-key E) low tide
- 44) A) wreath B) wrath C) wreck D) wrist E) wrinkle
- 45) A) compared B) because of C) thanks to D) more than E) rather than
- 46) A) threw down B) threw up C) threw out D) threw around E) threw away
- 47) A) should included B) will have included C) have had included
D) would have to include E) must have to include
- 48) A) sin B) heave C) wave D) show E) commit
- 49) A) restrained B) contained C) strained D) maintained E) remained
- 50) A) played down B) turned off C) switched on D) backed up E) ironed out

Airlines Angered At Proposal To Increase Charges

A proposal to increase landing charges at Dublin Airport by 13% has angered Ryanair and Aer Lingus but the Dublin Airport Authority (DAA) says that even after the increase, the airport will have among the lowest landing charges in Europe.

In a draft decision, the Aviation Regulator proposed **51)** _____ the charges at Dublin Airport by 13% or 96 cents per passenger, from the start of next year with further increases when T2 begins operation.

The proposal is now **52)** _____ debate before the regulator makes a final determination on the charges but the plans have been met with a frosty **53)** _____ from Aer Lingus and Ryanair who are already campaigning against the E10 travel tax.

Ryanair said the regulator was "hopelessly out of touch with economic reality" and said the rises meant that further traffic and tourism declines in Ireland were **54)** _____.

Aer Lingus expressed "disappointment" that the regulation had proposed an increase in an environment of collapsing traffic and economic **55)** _____ in the aviation industry. The DAA said it wanted to carefully consider the complex draft decision of the regulator before responding in detail.

The airport authority said that current passenger charges at Dublin Airport are among the lowest of any major European airport and have actually fallen by more than 30% in real terms **56)** _____ the past 20 years.

Charges at Dublin Airport will continue to be among the lowest in Europe during the 2010 -2014 period, according to the airport authority. A DAA statement on the issue said: "The DAA is currently investing 1.2 **57)** _____ euros in new facilities to improve the passenger experience at Dublin Airport and **58)** _____ increased efficiencies for airlines, and has to be adequately remunerated, for this investment programme."

The airport authority said that the proposed increases would "not bridge the substantial **59)** _____ in earnings that the DAA has previously indicated that it is facing due to the economic downturn, and the company will continue to seek significant savings **60)** _____ its ongoing cost recovery programme".

- 51) A) to have to increase B) having had to increase C) increasing
 D) increase E) have had to increase
- 52) A) up for B) into C) down under D) out over E) in around
- 53) A) party B) meeting C) affair D) reception E) reunion
- 54) A) elusive B) innate C) inoffensive D) inevitable E) inexorable
- 55) A) haven B) heaven C) hassle D) upstream E) upheaval
- 56) A) over B) outer C) inner D) within E) by
- 57) A) billions B) bullions C) billon D) billionth E) billion
- 58) A) command B) deliver C) order D) addition E) bill
- 59) A) fail-back B) long fall C) fall down D) shortfall E) fallout
- 60) A) through B) below C) under D) around E) rover

Michelangelo (by Michelangelo): Self-portrait Discovered Hidden In His Final Painting

A self-portrait by the Renaissance genius Michelangelo **61)** _____ in his final painting, the Crucifixion of Saint Peter in the Vatican's Pauline Chapel, it emerged last night.

Maurizio De Luca, the Vatican's head of paintings restoration, said that this **62)** _____, possibly the only clear Michelangelo self-portrait in existence, was "extraordinary and moving", and was given extra poignancy by appearing in the artist's last painted work.

Tantalising evidence of the find began to emerge during a major restoration, started in 2004, of the Crucifixion of Saint Peter and the other Michelangelo fresco in the chapel, the Conversion of Saint Paul. **63)** _____, no one had suspected who the figure in the top left-hand corner of the work might be. But as the five-year, £3m restoration progressed, scholars began to wonder if it could be the artist himself.

"What has emerged is a later Michelangelo work seen in a new light, a work which marked the end of his painting, as he dedicated himself to sculpture and architecture," said Mr De Luca. He said that after months of research and discussion with some of the world's **64)** _____ art experts he was convinced the artist had painted his **65)** _____ image on the fresco, which he created between 1545 and 1550.

Mr Bonsanti told La Repubblica newspaper: "The blue turban is a very strong indication because it's very typical of the hats **66)** _____ by sculptors to keep the powder off themselves."

Until recently, some art historians had suggested that the **67)** _____ figure in the bottom, right-hand side of the fresco, with his arms crossed, was Michelangelo. Mr De Luca said this idea had now been comprehensively **68)** _____. The only other generally accepted self-portrait of Michelangelo appears in his most famous work, the monumental Last Judgment in the Sistine Chapel, which he created between 1534 and 1541. This image, however, represents the artist's features on the flayed skin of a man held by Saint Bartholomew.

Michelangelo Buonarroti, who lived from 1475 until 1564, and made colossal contributions to painting, sculpture and architecture, is widely **69)** _____ as the greatest artistic genius the world **70)** _____.

- 61) A) had discovered B) has been discovered C) had discover
 D) has to be discovered E) has had to be discovered
- 62) A) recovery B) discover C) found D) reunion E) finding
- 63) A) After all B) Been and done C) Until then D) Hit and miss E) Over and out
- 64) A) heading B) leading C) driving D) covering E) directing
- 65) A) life-like B) still life C) dead life D) like life E) still like
- 66) A) carried B) wore C) worn D) held E) hold
- 67) A) barmy B) brittle C) bard D) barley E) bearded
- 68) A) unused B) resigned C) fired D) dismissed E) useless
- 69) A) regarded B) viewing C) seen through D) watched as E) looked at
- 70) A) have seen B) seen C) ever seen D) had seen E) has seen

Slump In UK Car Sales Eases Off

This is 15.7% less than a year ago but is the smallest year-on-year fall since July 2008 and a **71)** _____ improvement on the 28% year-on-year decline seen in the first five months of this year.

June is the first full month in which the government's "cash for bangers" scheme has been operating, which encouraged people to buy new cars by giving a £2,000 payment for their old vehicle. The SMMT believes the scheme has resulted in about 23,000 extra sales in June.

"We are now beginning to see the positive impact of the scrappage scheme translate into new vehicle registrations," said Paul Everitt, the SMMT chief executive. "We can already see the industry making **72)** _____ progress on the long road to recovery."

Last month, it was reported that 60,000 orders have been **73)** _____ under the scheme, suggesting it could boost car sales over the next few months.

But Howard Archer, economist at IHS Global Insight, warned that the UK economy might only get a limited boost from the £300m scheme, which **74)** _____ until February 2010.

"There is a significant danger that increased spending by consumers on vehicles will come at the expense of spending on other big ticket items," he said.

"The benefit to the UK economy will also depend significantly to what **75)** _____ the new cars purchased under the scheme are manufactured in the UK."

The SMMT's figures showed that registrations to private buyers **76)** _____ for the first time since November 2007 in June, up by 3.9%. Small cars have enjoyed the biggest rise in demand. The Ford Fiesta was the most popular model, with 9,822 sold, followed by sister car the Focus with 9,286, and Vauxhall's Corsa with 7,893 sales.

77) _____ of some larger cars fell **78)** _____ in June, though. The number of Bentleys registered dropped to 85, from 142 a year ago, while only a single Hummer was registered, **79)** _____ 42 in June 2008.

"There are some great deals out there for consumers to take advantage of and the good news is that they are buying smaller and more **80)** _____ cars, which can only be good news for the environment," said RAC motoring strategist Adrian Tink.

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| 71) A) touched | B) hit | C) ticked | D) wicked | E) marked |
| 72) A) balanced | B) weighty | C) stable | D) scaling | E) steady |
| 73) A) done | B) shown | C) placed | D) commanded | E) put |
| 74) A) will have run | B) will have ran | C) could have run | D) had run | E) runs |
| 75) A) notion | B) factor | C) licence | D) degree | E) element |
| 76) A) rose | B) rise | C) raise | D) risen | E) has raised |
| 77) A) Sells | B) Sails | C) Sales | D) Seals | E) Scales |
| 78) A) bluntly | B) cuttingly | C) crookedly | D) jaggedly | E) sharply |
| 79) A) in contrast | B) likened to | C) similar with | D) compared with | E) contrasted |
| 80) A) tank efficient | B) consumer efficient | C) fuel efficient | D) distance efficient | E) miles efficient |