

School Year : 2017/2018

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Duration : 1h 30 mn

Level : 4th Ms

Name : **The First Term Exam**

I always think of the time when I used to live on a farm and in winter especially we were cut off from the outside world. Life used to be very simple for me.

*I used to go to the nearest school. Father used to work in the fields and mother used to help him. **She** worked indoors and outdoors. I used to collect wood and feed the domestic animals and my sisters used to fetch water and help in the house chores.*

*There didn't use to be many free time activities. We used to listen to the radio and in the evening, all the family used to sit by the fire in a big room **where** we told tales or discuss.*

In summer, we didn't use to have a refrigerator; we used to drink fresh and tasty water from the pottery jars made of clay. My grandma used to make and decorate them. And we used to eat fresh vegetables that father grew.

Now, I am in the city. I live in a small flat. I buy food from the supermarket. The streets seem to be smaller because of the traffic and the air is polluted. I get stressed and I dream of the time when I will be on holidays to be able to leave home and escape to the countryside.

Adapted from : English paragraphs.com



Task 1: A/ I write true, false or not mentioned.

- 1- The writer didn't use to go to school.
- 2- He has got 4 sisters.....
- 3- His grandma made potteries.....
- 4- He lives in the city with his wife and children.....

B/ I read again then I answer the questions.

1- In which paragraph does the writer speak about his pastime activities?

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2- Did he use to help his parents?

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C/ what do the underlined words in the text refer to?

<u>where</u>
<u>She</u>

D/ I find the synonyms in the text.

Can =..... town=.....

Task 2: A/ I form the questions correctly.

Me:

Grandma: Women used to wear “el-hayek”.

Me:

Grandma: I stopped wearing it 10 years ago.

B/ I complete with “made in” and “made of”.

1- This kftan is very nice. It isvelvet. It isOran.

2- Old people used to cook in pottery bowls. They are the different regions of Algeria. They.....clay.

C/ I complete the table from the text.

<u>/U / Childhood</u>	<u>/ u: /Wool</u>
1-	1-
2-	2-

Task 3: Integrated Situation.

Your school magazine is organising a competition to choose the best paragraph about “childhood memories” and you want to participate. Write a short paragraph about your primary school, your teachers, your best friends, free time activities and games (use the **past simple tense** and **used to**).

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