

**EXAMENS CANTONAUX D'ADMISSION
DANS LES FILIÈRES DE MATURITÉS DU SECONDAIRE 2**
POUR ÉLÈVES ISSU·E·S D'ÉCOLES PRIVÉES OU SCOLARISÉ·E·S À DOMICILE

SESSION 2020

ANGLAIS – durée : 45 minutes

Nom et prénom : _____

Date de naissance : _____

Consignes spécifiques

Aucun matériel auxiliaire autorisé

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POINTS OBTENUS :

PART 1 READING COMPREHENSION

Exercise 1 *Read the text and choose the correct answer (A, B or C).*

The best place in the world to live

Vancouver is the third biggest city in Canada. It's in the south west of the country and it has a population of 2.6 million. A recent study showed that it's the best city in the world to live. The study looked at areas like weather, transport, education, healthcare, and safety. This study happens every year and Vancouver is usually number one.

We asked Vancouver resident Jacob Meyers if he agrees.

I've lived in Vancouver all my life. I work for an engineering company and I've travelled on business to many Canadian cities. Two years ago another company offered me a very good job in Montreal but I didn't take it because I never want to leave my city. Let me tell you why not:

Vancouver is situated between the mountains and the Pacific Ocean. That means the summers aren't too hot and the winters aren't too cold. It also rains a lot, in summer and winter. Some people don't like that but I do because our gardens and parks are always green and fresh. Every day I cycle or walk for an hour in a park and in Vancouver you're never more than a few minutes from one.

I don't feel frightened when I walk in Vancouver's streets at night. Of course, Vancouver has a high population and there's crime in every big city, but compared to the USA, for example, it's quite safe.

But my favourite thing about Vancouver is its incredible mix of nationalities. I've got friends here from all over the world. And there's an enormous variety of foreign food in the restaurants and markets. I've eaten wonderful dishes from China, India, Italy, Greece, and Japan and I haven't been to any of these places.

- 1 Vancouver is bigger than all the other Canadian cities.
A True **B** False **C** Doesn't say
- 2 Two thousand, six hundred people live in the south west of Canada.
A True **B** False **C** Doesn't say
- 3 A study says that Vancouver is the best place for a city holiday.
A True **B** False **C** Doesn't say
- 4 Jacob has never lived anywhere else than Vancouver.
A True **B** False **C** Doesn't say
- 5 There are some mountains between Vancouver and the ocean.
A True **B** False **C** Doesn't say
- 6 It often rains in summer in Vancouver.
A True **B** False **C** Doesn't say
- 7 Jacob has a big garden.
A True **B** False **C** Doesn't say
- 8 He lives an hour away from the nearest park.
A True **B** False **C** Doesn't say
- 9 He never walks in the streets at night.
A True **B** False **C** Doesn't say
- 10 Jacob can speak a lot of foreign languages.
A True **B** False **C** Doesn't say

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Exercise 2 Read the text again and make appropriate questions.

1. _____ ?

It's in the South West of the country.

2. _____ ?

He is an engineer.

3. _____ ?

Two years ago.

4. _____ ?

The winters aren't too cold.

5. _____ ?

Because there are a lot of nationalities.

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Total Reading comprehension / 15 pts

Exercise 2 Fill in the gaps with the correct verb forms and tenses.

Sometimes two options are possible.

1. The children _____ (NOT – to watch) TV in the afternoon. They usually play in the garden.
2. We can go out now. It _____ (NOT – to rain) any more.
3. We _____ (to travel) to Australia next year if our parents agree.
4. Apple _____ (to sell) the first computer in 1976.
5. My father is a teacher. He _____ (to teach) History in a private school.
6. - What _____ (you – to do) here ?
- I am waiting for my bus. It's late...
7. We _____ (NOT – to go) to the cinema last night, we _____ (to be) too tired !
8. The students _____ (to visit) a museum next Friday afternoon. They are very happy !

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Total Use of English / 15 pts

PART 3 WRITING

**Write a short text (minimum 100 words) about yourself and your last holiday.
In your text, please mention information about:**

- **yourself (name, age, hobbies, ...)**
- **your family**
- **what you did for your last holiday (or another you would like to talk about)**
 - Where did you go?
 - How did you get there?
 - How long did you stay? Where did you stay?
 - What did you do (activities)?
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Don't forget to write this part in the past!

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