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Séries A4

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Session Normale  
Epreuve du 1<sup>er</sup> tour  
Durée : 3 heures  
Coefficient : 3

**EPREUVE ECRITE D'ANGLAIS**  
Langue Vivante 1

**Cette épreuve comporte deux (2) pages**

**Celebrating Togetherness**

Behind the huts, one could hear cows mooing. Samba was returning with his herd while playing his flute. He knew how to play music harmoniously. The melodious and captivating flute song floated in the air and plunged everyone into their dreams, giving the feeling of a long trip in the world of wonders. His music penetrated the soul and created the desire to know more about the complexity and perplexity of this world.

In the village, people were excited because a stranger had come to add something to their community. As the elders of Lafidougou used to say, "Communal and collective life requires open-mindedness." They were happy because they expected their "new brother and sister" to make their contribution to the development of the village.

As the elders used to say, "Collaboration is central in any growth process." In Lafidougou, sharing was central, not taking away or squandering. Giving and taking were encouraged. Looting, being stingy and stealing were condemned. The elders believed that "knowledge is like soup and whosoever has it should share it with the rest." It was against this background that the elders of Lafidougou used to organize counselling sessions where they discussed all the social and cultural aspects of life. [...]

Villagers were unhappy because it had not rained for a long time in the area. Sacrifices and prayers had not helped. Plants began to wilt away. Nature became sad. People started wondering about the deep reason for this lack of rain. For some folks, the lack of rain was due to the murder of a young village trader by outlaws. When such tragic events struck, people were left totally confused and the only solace they could find was praying and supporting each other. [...]

The villagers used to say that money brought all these types of murders to their communities. Long ago, they didn't know such useless and apparently gratuitous assassinations of innocent people. But the advent of money, cotton and the road changed the landscape and the relations among people – cotton opened the thirst for money and the road opened the way for all kinds of bandits to roam the villages in search of victims. If you smelled money, you were in trouble, they said. It was the curse of money.

I. Guided commentary (10 points)

- 1) What shows in the text that the people of Lafidougou have positive attitudes towards strangers? (2 points)
- 2) Basing on the text, why are the meetings of the elders in Lafidougou to give advice important? (2 points)
- 3) Referring to the text, state three (03) traditional values in Lafidougou society? (3 points)
- 4) According to the text, what are the main causes of the negative change happening in Lafidougou? Give three (03) causes (3 points)

II. Essay Writing (4 points)

In your opinion, is money necessarily a source of happiness?  
Give three (03) ideas and organize them coherently in paragraph(s). (In about 100 words).

III. Translation (6 points)

Translate from "In the village, people were excited because ..." down to "...not taking away or squandering."

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