



**Consignes :**

1. L'usage de la calculatrice programmable est formellement interdit.
2. Tout gadget électronique (Tél., tablette, iPad, montre intelligente) est formellement interdit dans la salle d'examen.
3. Le silence est obligatoire dans la salle, il crée de meilleures conditions de travail.

**Durée de l'épreuve : 2 heures**

**Labor Day**

Labor Day is a national holiday that honors working people. It is observed on the first Monday in September throughout the United States, Puerto Rico, and Canada. Some towns and cities celebrate with parades and festivals, but for most people it is a day of rest and recreation.

Peter and Matthew McGuire created this holiday to honor all people who work. These brothers organized the first Labor Day Parade in New York City in September 1882. Five years later, Oregon became the first state to recognize Labor Day as a legal holiday. In 1894, President Grover Cleveland made it a national holiday.

All government offices are closed in observance of Labor Day. All banks, schools, libraries, and post offices are closed, also. In many towns, there is no trash pick-up on this day. Many stores have "Labor Day sales"; since most people have the day off to shop. People will begin shopping for winter clothing. Over the years, Labor Day has become a symbol for end of summer.

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**I. Compétence Interprétative (30pts.)**

**A. Read the text carefully then answer the following questions. (20 pts.)**

- 1- Who created Labor Day?
- 2- When is it celebrated?
- 3- Why was this holiday created?
- 4- Explain how Labor Day is celebrated?
- 5- People don't go to work on Labor Day. Describe how places are during that day.

**B. Summarize the text in five complete sentences. (10 pts.)**

**II. Compétence Linguistique (30 pts.)**

**A- Choose the right answer according to the context. (10 pts.)**

1. I'll bring a map \_\_\_\_\_ we get lost. (whether, unless, on the condition that, in case)
2. Sam can take my dictionary \_\_\_\_\_ he uses it carefully. (as long as, even if, in case, although).
3. \_\_\_\_\_ someone stole your car, what would you do? (even if, suppose, unless, if only)
4. I will take this job \_\_\_\_\_ they pay me enough. (if only, suppose, providing, in case)
5. You wouldn't go to the dentist so often, \_\_\_\_\_ you took more care of your teeth. (Only if, unlike, suppose, in case)

**B- Write the present or the past participle of the verbs in parentheses. (10 pts.)**

1. Macron is an \_\_\_\_\_ president. (elect)
2. I always eat \_\_\_\_\_ corn. (grind)
3. \_\_\_\_\_ the best meal in town requires great cooking skills. (prepare)
4. \_\_\_\_\_ in the fifteenth century, this house is one of the oldest in this area. (build)
5. I'm not \_\_\_\_\_ in sports. (interest)

**C- Match each word to its correct definition (10 pts.)**

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| 1- Itinerary        | a. a trip on a ship                    |
| 2- Cruise           | b. the ability to read and write       |
| 3- Press conference | c. the plan of a journey               |
| 4- Discount         | d. a reduction in the price of an item |
| 5- Literacy         | e. meeting with reporters              |

**III. Compétence pragmatique et interpersonnelle (20 pts.)**

**Problem-solving situation**

Linda lives in Chicago. Every year, she drives two hours to her brother's house on Thanksgiving Day. Tomorrow is Thanksgiving. Linda is cooking and listening to the radio. The radio says that it's going to snow all night tonight and all day tomorrow. Linda doesn't like to drive in bad weather.

In your opinion, what should Linda do?

**Write a short paragraph to answer the questions above.**

**IV-Compétence discursive et argumentative (20 pts.)**

**Choose one of the two given topics and write a twelve- line paragraph about it.**

- 1- Labor Day is also celebrated in Haiti. Give some information on when and how it is celebrated here.
- 2- Tell how you intend to spend the summer vacation. Come up with convincing details.

**END OF EXAMINATION ...**