

اختبار في مادة الانجليزية – لغة أجنبية ثانية –

Read the text carefully then do the activities.

Text:

Last summer, in a hot midday, I was at home watching TV with my wife; suddenly a tsunami hit the city. Our house collapsed and everything, people, cars, trees, and houses. People were screaming and running in all directions but waves were too fast and too high to escape. Karin is taken by a huge wave, all I can do now is survive. I swim. I can see the water hit buildings, and then watch the buildings collapse. I saw a boy, cut on his cheek, holding onto a big piece of foam. We make eye contact and shrug at each other. When I look back, he was drowning. People were floating or drowning. I decided that this is not the time to die

Water pushed me towards a building that is collapsing. I swim and swim and I'm still pushed right towards, then water seems to have stopped. I'm not swimming or climbing, but something in between. I make my way to the land. I climb up onto a dike and look around. I scream out for Karin. I started pulling people out of mud, from under houses. I pull people out of the water, only to have them choke and die. It is beyond any nightmare I ever had.

I find only bodies. One looks like Karin, under some rubble. I pull her out and it's a woman I don't know, still gripping her scooter, mouth agape. When I find out Karin is alive, I fall apart. She had held a tree, wrapped herself around it, and never let go. She has a few bruises and a black eye. I'm ecstatic to see her like that. The next day I go back to where my house was to see the damage. The bottom floor of our house is gone. The upper floor is missing a couple of walls. None of our possessions are left. But I thank my God who kept me alive because I feel sad and grateful.

a) Comprehension :

(08 points)

1. Choose the general idea of the text: (1 pt)

- a. A huge flood.
- b. A real Tsunami experience.
- c. Escaping floods.

2. Are these statements true or false? (2 pts)

- a. The writer's house was safe after the disaster.
- b. When water stopped the writer kept swimming.
- c. The writer didn't save his wife.
- d. The writer lost all his possessions.

3. In which paragraph it is mentioned that the writer is courageous. (1 pt)

4. Choose the correct answer: (1. pt)

The text is:

- a. Argumentative
- b. Narrative.

5. Who /what do the underlined words refer to in the text? (1 pt)

- a) He.... (§1)
- b) She..... (§3)

6. Answer the following questions according to the text. (2 pts)

- a. Was the disaster expected?
- b. What made people unable to escape?
- c. How did Karin save herself?
- d. What was the writer's feeling after the disaster?

Text Exploration:

(07 points)

1. Find in the text words that are closest in meaning to the following: (1 pt)

- a. Fell = (§1)
- b. more than = (§3)

2. Find in the text words that are opposites to the following: (1 pt)

- a. slow ≠ (§1)
- b. sad ≠ (§3)

3. Fill in the following table: (2 pts)

Verb	Noun
collapse
swim
feel
scream

4. Rewrite sentence (b) so that it means the same as sentence (a) (2 pts)

- a. A tsunami hit the city, last year.
- b. The city.....
- a. The disaster wasn't expected by people.
- b. People.....
- a. "I was at home watching TV with my wife.", the writer said.
- b. The writer said that.....
- a. The writer said that he had found his wife alive but she was injured.
- b. The writer:" I....."

5. Write the silent letters in each of the following words: (1 pts)

climb – island

Written Expression

(05 Points)

Choose one of the following topics:

Topic one:

Write a short paragraph about measures that should be taken during and after floods and what to do to help victims.

Topic two:

Are you ready to volunteer and take part to save people in danger of natural disasters? Justify your answer with arguments.

