



## First Exam

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Taj Mahal became a symbol of endless love and it is an outstanding example of Islamic art and architecture. Some people think it is the most beautiful building on earth. In 1983, the United Nations declared it as a World Heritage Site.

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### PART ONE:

#### Reading comprehension:

1- Choose the right answer:

The text is: a- a blog article      b- a press article      c- a web article

2- Answer by "true", "false" or "not mentioned":

- a- Taj Mahal is situated in India.
- b- Taj Mahal had 40 huge domes.
- c- Mumtaz Mahal was born in 1550.
- d- Taj Mahal is an outstanding example of Islamic art and architecture.

3- Answer the following question:

How many years it took the workers to complete the project?

When did the United Nations declare it as a World Heritage Site?

4- Find in the text words or expressions that are closest in meaning to the following:

Construct = .....

kid=.....



# الأستاذة بطروش

## لغة انجليزية

### Mastery of language:

1- Compare the elements using “as.....as” or “not as.....as”:

a- The Great Mosque of Algeria is nice . Taj Mahal is nice too

b- The Great Mosque of Algeria was built in 2020. Taj Mahal was built in 1631.

The Great Mosque of Algeria /old/ Taj Mahal.

c- Taj Mahal minarets "40 m" are (high) Big Ben tower "96 m".

2- I rewrite the sentences in the passive voice (3pts)

a) The Pharaohs built the Pyramids between 2589 BC and 2504 BC.

The Pyramids .....

b) Bashir Yelles and Meriam Konieczny designed the Martyr's Memorial.

The Martyr's Memorial .....

3- Classify the words in the table according to the pronunciation of their final “ed”:

visited – finished – demanded – cleaned

/t/	/d/	/id/

### PART TWO:

#### Written expression:

You went to Constantine last holiday and you visited the Mosque of Emir Abdelkader. You were fascinated about its beauty. Write a paragraph to describe this wonderful structure. Use the information in the fact file:

#### Fact File

**Landmark:** Emir Abdelkader Mosque

**Location:** Constantine, Algeria

**Designer:** Mustapha Musa (Egyptian architect)

**Length:** 160 meters Width: 80 meters

**Date of construction:** 1969-1994



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**It took them 22 years to complete the project.**

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**The United Nations declared it as a World Heritage Site in 1983.**

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kid= **child**



### Mastery of language:

1- Compare the elements using “as.....as” or “not as.....as”:

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**The Great Mosque of Algeria is as nice as Taj Mahal.**

b- The Great Mosque of Algeria was built in 2020. Taj Mahal was built in 1631, The Great Mosque of Algeria **is not as old as** Taj Mahal.

c- Taj Mahal minarets "40 m" **are not as high as** Big Ben tower "96 m".

Equality:

sub + to be (is / are) + as + adj + as

Inequality:

sub + to be + not + as + adj + as

2- I rewrite the sentences in the passive voice

Object (sub) + to be + past participle + by + sub (agent)

was / were (verb-ed)

is / are

a) The Pharaohs built the Pyramids between 2589 BC and 2504 BC.

**The Pyramids were built by the Pharaohs between 2589 BC and 2504 BC.**

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**The Martyr's Memorial was designed by Bashir Yelles and Meriam Konieczny.**

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