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ANGLAIS- FIRST TERM TEST TERMINALE S- 2021**Text**

BEIJING — The boy's chronic cough and stuffy nose began last year at the age of 3. His symptoms worsened this winter, when smog across northern China surged to record levels. Now he needs his sinuses cleared every night with saltwater piped through a machine's tubes. The boy's mother, Zhang Zixuan, said she almost never lets him go outside, and when she does she usually makes him wear a face mask. The difference between Britain, where she once studied, and China is "heaven and hell," she said.

Levels of deadly pollutants up to 40 times the recommended exposure limit in Beijing and other cities have struck fear into parents and led them to take steps that are radically altering the nature of urban life for their children. Parents are confining sons and daughters to their homes, even if it means keeping **them** away from friends. Schools are canceling outdoor activities and field trips. Parents with means are choosing schools based on air-filtration systems, and some international schools have built gigantic, futuristic-looking domes over sports fields to ensure healthy breathing. "I hope in the future we'll move to a foreign country," Ms. Zhang, a lawyer, said as her ailing son, Wu Xiaotian, played on a mat in their apartment, near a new air purifier. "Otherwise we'll choke to death."

She is not alone in looking to leave. Some middle-and upper-class Chinese parents and expatriates have already begun leaving China, a trend that executives say could result in a huge loss of talent and experience. Foreign parents are also turning down prestigious jobs or negotiating for hardship pay from their employers, citing the pollution.

There are no statistics for the flight, and many people are still eager to come to work in Beijing, but talk of leaving is gaining urgency around the capital and on Chinese microblogs and parenting forums. Chinese are also discussing holidays to what they call the "clean-air destinations" of Tibet, Hainan and Fujian. "I've been a new father and a family health doctor at Beijing United Family Hospital, whose patients are half Chinese and half foreigners. I've been **here** for six years and I've never seen anxiety levels the way they are now," said Dr. Richard Saint Cyr. "Even for me, I've never been as anxious as I am now. It has been extraordinarily bad", he added: "Many mothers, especially, have been second-guessing their living in Beijing. I think many mothers are fed up with keeping their children inside."

The New York Times, April 2013

I/ Reading comprehension (8marks)

A-Tick the most appropriate option: (0.5pt)

1- The text is about Chinese people who are leaving their country

a-to escape pollution

b-to find better schooling conditions

c-to look for better working opportunities

B-Fill in the table with information from paragraph 1: (1.5pt)

| Health problem | Cause | Remedy/treatment |
|----------------|---------|------------------|
| 2- | 3-..... | 4- |
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C-Who or what do the underlined words refer to in the text: (1pt)

5-them (p.2) =

6-here (p.4) =

D-Correct these false statements with precise details from the text: (3pts)

7- There is as much pollution in Britain as in China.

8- Only Chinese parents are leaving China.

9-All people refuse to work in Beijing.

E-.Pick out from the text 2 measures that were taken by some schools to protect children from harmful pollutants. (1pt)

10-

11-

F-Find in the text words that have the same meaning as. (1pt)

12-aggravated (p.1) =.....

13-be unable to breathe (p.2) =.....

II-Linguistic and communicative competence. (6marks)

G- Dialogue completion: Complete the conversation below meaningfully. (3pts)

Situation: After a sleepless night Ms Zhang took her son, Wu to Doctor Richard's.

Doctor: Hello Madam! (14)is wrong with your son?

Ms Zhang: We (15) (not/have) a wink of sleep last night. He is suffering
(16) (with – from – by) respiratory problems and he coughed
all night long.

Doctor:He went out without putting on his face mask,.....(17) ?

Ms Zhang: Yes, he did. You know, young people are very stubborn.

Doctor: Be aware of the high level of pollution in BEIJING. The atmosphere is very smoggy
these days. If you can't keep the children in, they (18).....
(continue) to face the effects of air pollution.

Ms Zhang: Definitely, Doctor! That's why all parents are anxious now. I think it's high time
parents and civil societies in general (19) (stand) up
for the reduction of gas and toxic emissions.

Doctor: It would be a valid campaign. As for the young boy, these tablets will solace your
pains and don't forget to put on your face mask when going out.

Ms Zhang: Thank you Doctor and have a nice day!

H- Choose the correct alternatives to fill in the gaps in the below. (2pts)

In Beijing, parents are (20) (anxiety / anxious) about the high level
of pollution. They think if (21) (nothing / anything) is done the future
of their children will be (22) (jeopardy / jeopardized). As a solution,
some parents have already planned to move to (23) (others / other)
countries to look for clean air.

I- Complete the following sentences meaningfully with the words from the box. (1pt)

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| Besides – unless – therefore |
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24- Parents are confining sons and daughters to their homes.....keepingthem away
from friends.

25- We'll choke to death.....wemove to a foreign countryin the future.

CORRIGE

I – Comprehension (8 marks)

- A-** 1 – a
- B-** 2 – chronic cough and stuffy nose
3 – smog
4 – his sinuses cleared every night with saltwater....
- C-** 5 – sons and daughters
6 – Beijing United Family Hospital
- D-** 7 – (parag.1) line 4 & line5
8 – (parag.3) line 14 & line 15
9 – (parag.4) line 18
- E-** 10 – schools are canceling outdoor activities and field trips
11 – some international schools have built gigantic, futuristic-looking domes over sport fields...
- F-** 12 – worsened
13 – choke

II- Linguistic & communicative competence (06 marks)

- G-** 14 – what
15 – didn't have
16 – from
17 – didn't he?
18 – will continue
19 – stood
- H-** 20 – anxious
21 – nothing
22 – jeopardized
23 – other
- I-** 24 – therefore
25 – unless

III- Writing (06 marks)

Understanding of the topic
Relevance & coherence
Originality of ideas
Accuracy