

EXAMEN : BACCALAUREAT BLANC**SERIE : TLL****SESSION DE MAI 2023****EPREUVE DE : ANGLAIS****DUREE : 3HEURES****COEF :03****NB** : -Chaque candidat traite des sujets qui sont tous obligatoire

-Une note sera affectée par la tenue de la présentation du candidat

TEXTE : How does the American political system work ?

The USA is a federated nation of sovereign states in a republic managed by the US federal government. The US federal government has three branches : The congress , the Executive and the supreme Court. All of it is spelled out in the American constitution which describes the basic principles of how these three entities are to operate and also spells out civil rights for individuals in the bills of rights which is the first amendment to the constitution adopted at the same time as the constitution over 200 years ago. One important point about the US constitution is that it contains a procedure for amendment. We can change our federal government structure or operation as much or as little as we want at any time . We simply have to agree sufficiently to do so.

-The Congress is bicameral (two parts) : The US Senate and the House of representatives . Everyone in both house of the congress is directly elected by the citizens of the USA, though at one time . US Senators were appointed by legislatures of the states of the USA that they represented . The Congress writes the laws of the USA which is today the rules we all live under .

-The executive branch is the operational part of the federal government : The bureaucracy and the USA armed forces . If the government is doing something actively, it is the branch of it that is doing the doing. The basic job of everyone who works for this part of the government is to implement the laws written by the Congress. The president has a say in the legislative process . He must sign all the laws, though , if he refuses , the congress can with sufficient agreement override his objection.

-The judiciary adjudicates the disputes arising out of conflicts between the laws as written by Congress and the action in practice of the executive branch . It also adjudicates disputes between individuals that have implications in federal laws, that is, the disputes, is not confined to a single state.

-The next level down is the 50 sovereign states , each has its own independent government with an elected legislative though all are subject to the constitution and US federal laws, Each of them has a government that mostly mirrors the same structure. Their chief executives are called "governors" and there are variations of legislatures.

-The next level down is subdivisions of states , most often called counties but other names are used dependent on the states.

-At last level one sees towns and cities . Some areas which you might call "a town" or "village" don't have their own independent government . They are most often administered by the county that they are within.

The overall political system of the USA appears very fruitful and continuous but it mostly works by debate and negotiations between interested parties and which "some compromise". We tend not to do anything unless enough of us agree and getting sufficient agreements tend to be a loud affair . After operating this system for a couple of centuries, we now seem to be able to make it work without shooting at each other

QUESTIONS : (20 points)**I- Reading comprehension**

A- **Multiple choice questions** : Copy the complete sentences containing the correct answers .

1- They are levels of governance in the USA.

- a-two b-three c-four d-six
- 2- The American political system is mainly based on....
 a-permanent conflicts between the branches c-abuse from each branch
 b-Constant compromise d-the president's supremacy.
- B- True /False questions** : Copy down the true sentences and correct false ones.
- 1- All the 50 sovereign states are ruled by the federal government.
 - 2- It is very difficult to change the federal government : structure.
 - 3- The chief executives of counties are called "governors".
 - 4- Federal laws are above state laws .
- C- Answers these questions**
- 1- What is the function of the USA Congress ?
 - 2- How does the overall political system work ?

II- Language :

- A- Match words in column A with their synonyms in column B**

A	B
Basic	Legislation
Bill	Nominate
Appoint	carry out
Implement	fundamental

- B- What would you say in these situations ? Give two many each of following situations**

- 1- You see a nice shirt in a shop but you don't have enough money to buy it.
- 2- It's 3 a.m your brother is seriously ill. You must take him to the hospital . Your family has no car. You are very sorry.

- C- Use the following phrasal verbs to replace the underlined words give up, carry out , bring up, turn down.**

- I was offered the job but i decided I didn't want it, so I refuse it.
- I think your health will improve if you quit smoking.
- If you refuse to perform my orders you will be dismissed.
- In really it is difficult to train children.

- D- Translate into French** : from "one important point about the US constitution is that to.....we simply have to agree sufficiently to do so".

- E- Translate into English** :

L'élément le plus important dans l'élaboration d'une constitution est de mettre l'accent sur la séparation des pouvoirs .Chacune des trois branches de ces pouvoirs : l'exécutif, le législatif et le judiciaire est assez puissant pour empêcher les excès des autres branches.

- III- Composition** : Choose only one topic.

- 1°) Between the single party system and the multi party system which one do you prefer ?

Write a short paragraph to defend your preference.

- 2°) Adama Yiriba Traoré a new student at the Faculty of Arts and Languages , Landerstern University ,England, would like to open an account . He writes a letter to the manager of royal Deposit and Credit Bank Birmingham England.

Write Adama's letter with the appropriate layout.

indicators(2pts)

Performance

-clean test sheet (0,5)

Originality of ideas :

Questions based on the text (0,5)

Function(0,5)

COMPOSITION (0,5)