……Middle School, **Level: 4 MS….**

…… **Full Name:**……

Second Term Test

Text: **Memories of My Childhood**

I spent my childhood in a small village in China. In our village, we grew vegetables, planted paddy and caught fish in the river for our living. We also raised chickens and ducks. Sometimes we ate eggs. But mostly we used to sell them for money. The life in the village was simple but hard. I didn't have toys. The only amusement I could have was playing games with other children in front of the house in the evening. I had to go home when it got dark because there was no electricity at that time. We didn't have electricity inside the house, we used oil lamps to give light. Even though we used to read and write in the dark house. There was no television at that time.

When I was about 8 years old, China became a communist country. Thus my family's nightmare began. We had to live in a broken small house. They tortured my mother by asking her to kneel down on the shelf.. I begged as a child, I had to beg for food. "Please give me some food. I haven't had anything to eat since last night. Please be kind enough to give me some rice". Wearing a torn dress, I begged for food from door to door in the village. In order to survive, I would go to another door with tears in my eyes. "Poor little girl, you shouldn't suffer like this. Come in, quick; don't let other people see you." Then that person would close the door and give me food to eat. Now I live in Quebec, Canada. I can't speak French. But most people here are nice and the place is beautiful. But the memories of my childhood are still haunting me.

Source: Laubach Literacy of Canada.

By Grace B.K. Chan

Part One:(14 points)

A) Reading comprehension(7 pionts)

Task one: (02 point) Read the text and complete the bibliographical notes:

Title:……..
Autor:……
Source:……..
Type of the article: a- a press article b- a web article c- an excerpt from a memoir

Task two: (03 points) Read the text and answer the following questions:

- Where did Grace live? -…….
- Was her family rich? -…….
- Did she have a happy childhood? -…….

Task three: (02 points) Find in the text words that are opposite in meaning to the following:

- Large ≠ …….. - easy ≠ …….
- Finished ≠ ……. - rich ≠ …….

B) Mastery of language:(7 points)

Task one: (02 points) Supply the punctuation and capitals where necessary:

when the bell rang mark was writing the lesson

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Task two: (03 points) Complete the table:

adjective	comparative	superlative
……..	more beautiful	……..
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nice	……..	……..

Task three: (02 points) Classify the words according to the pronunciation of their triphthongs:

flower, lawyer, player, fire

/eɪə/	/aʊə/	/ɔɪə/	/aɪə/
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Part Two:(06 points)

Written expression

Your teacher asked you to write about your childhoosdmemories at primary school. Write a paragraph of about 8 to 10 lines in which you talk about your memories.

Here are some notes to help you:

- Age (first day at school)
- Describe the school
- Taecher of Arabic
- Teacher of French
- Classmates
- Your feelings during this period
- Best moments at primary school.

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