

First Term English Examination

The Little Martyr



Omar Yacef , better known as little Omar , is an Algerian martyr .He was born in 1944 in the Casbah of Algiers . He was the nephew of Saadi Yacef, "The Leader of the Autonomous Zone of Algiers ". Omar left school at the age of eleven and joined the Algerian Revolution to be a liaison between the fighters and the FLN (National Liberation Front) leaders.



Omar, the intelligent and brave child , grew up in a big familial house with Saadi Yacef . He could see the famous freedom fighters of the Algerian Revolution such as : Abane Ramdane, Krim Belkacem, Colonel Ouamrane , Rabah Bitat. and Ali La Pointe. Omar used to visit his uncle regularly ; he was a courier between the militants and the FLN leaders. He succeeded to cross all police roadblocks and escape from the French paratroopers in the hardest moments of the Battle of Algiers.

In October 1957, paratrooper commandos of the first French Parachutes Regiments destroyed the house where Omar, Hassiba BenBouali , Ali La Pointe and Hamid Bouhamidi were hiding because they refused to surrender.

Adapted from:https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/little_omar

Part One: 14pts

A/ Reading Comprehension. 7pts

Activity one (3pts): Read the text then write: true, false or not mentioned.

- 1- Omar's uncle was the leader of the Autonomous Zone of Algiers
- 2- . Yacef Saadi died on September 10th 2021, in Algiers.
- 3- Omar joined the Algerian Revolution at the age of 14.

Activity two (2pts): Read again the text then answer the questions.

- 1- Why did Omar leave school?
- 2- Did Omar and the other compatriots surrender ?

Activity three (2pts): lexis

a/ find in the text words that are closest in meaning to the following:

courageous =.....

well-known =.....

b/ find in the text words that are opposite in meaning to the following:

accepted $\neq$

died $\neq$

B/ Mastery of Language 7 pts

Activity one (2pts): Complete the following sentences using the appropriate connector :

so - because

- I read many interesting books on the Algerian martyrs I wanted to know much about the Algerian Revolution.
- Zohra Drif is one of the most famous Algerian women who didn't accept the French colonialism she participated in the Algerian Revolution

Activity two (3pts): Write the correct form of the verbs in brackets

Mohamed Dib is one of the most famous Algerian writers. He **(to write)** over than 30 novels. His first novel " La Grande Maison " **(to be / publish)** in 1952 . In this novel, he described the Algerian people's awakening to self-consciousness and to the struggle for independence. Mohamed Dib **(to die)** in 2003.

Activity three (2pts): Classify the words according to their vowel sounds

brave . fighters , they , child

/ ai /	/ ei /
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Part Two: Integrated Situation. (6pts)

Many women participated in the Algerian Revolution (1954- 1962). Some are still alive and others died, one of them is the brave martyr Hassiba Benbouali .

Write a short school magazine article about her using the following information:

Name: Hassiba Benbouali.

- **Role:** militant

- **Date and place of birth :** January 18th .1938 / Chlef.

- **Important events in her life:**

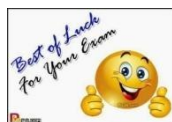
☐ 1947→move with her parents to Algiers.

☐ 1954 → join the scout Movement / join the General Union of Algerian Muslim Students.

☐ (1954 - 1957) → participate in the National Revolution



Glory to our martyrs



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