

The Second Term Exam**The Bravest Woman: Djamila Bouhired**

is an Algerian woman freedom fighter. She was born in El Casbah, Algiers in 1935. She has an Algerian father and a Tunisian mother. She was the only daughter among her seven brothers.

Djamila Bouhired has started her national struggle against the French colonization since she was sixteen. At the age of twenty years old, she joined the Algerian National Liberation Front (FLN). Djamila married her lawyer Jacques Vergès, in 1965. She was a faithful, fearless, smart, caring and courageous woman. She was the first volunteer to plant a bomb in the roads used by the French military occupation. Due to her European appearance, this brave freedom fighter was able to pass through the road blocks set by the French authorities. She was also involved in the Battle of Algiers.

On April 9th, 1957, Djamila Bouhired was arrested by the French army. Her imprisonment drew regional and international media attention. Many people marched in the streets to call for her liberty. This self-confident freedom fighter, released in 1962 and took an important part in the fight for the independence and the dignity of Algeria.

Adapted from: <http://heroesofhistory.com>

Read the text carefully and do the following activities.

Part one: A/ Reading Comprehension

Activity 1: Complete the table with the events that correspond to the dates. (2 pts)

Timelines	Events
1951	
1955	
April 9 th , 1957	
1962	

Activity 2: Read again and answer the questions. (3 pts)

- When and where was Djamila Bouhired born?
- What was she like?
- Was she involved in the Battle of Algiers?

**Activity 3: Lexis**

A. Find in the text words that are closest in meaning to: (1pt)

liberty =

courageous =

B. Find in the text words that are opposite in meaning to: (1pt)

finished =/=

died =/=

B/ Mastery of Language

Activity 1: Supply the punctuation and capitalization where necessary. (2 pts)

the algerian war was declared on the first of november

Activity 2: Write the verbs between brackets in the appropriate tense. (3 pts)

While Larbi Ben M'hidi (**to plan**) the attack, the French army (**to surround**) the area. His companions were waiting outside when the soldiers (**to arrive**). The situation became very dangerous.

Activity 3: Write the following words in the right box according to their pronunciation of their final

“ed” (2pts)

joined – started – married - marched

/t/	/d/	/id/
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Part two: Integrated Situation (6pts)

Many women who participated in the Algerian Revolution, fought for the Independence of Algeria. Some are still alive and others died. One of them is the most famous freedom fighter “Lala Fatma N’Soumer”.

Write an article about her using the information below and post it in a school magazine.

Name: Lala Fatma N’Soumer.

Nationality: Algerian.

Role: Religious / political leader in the mid-19th century.

Date and place of birth: July 10th, 1830/ Werja / kabylie region.

Life experience and victories:

- play a pivotal role in leading the Kabyle people in resisting French colonial forces.
- organize and inspire the local population to stand against the occupation.
- emphasize the importance of maintaining the identity of the local population.
- Be capture and be imprison by the French/1857.

Date and place of death: 1863/ Medea.

Best Wishes