

Second English Exam

Economy of Algeria was largely based on agriculture. During the 1960s and 1970s oil revenues began to rise dramatically and thus the government shifted its economic sights to the oil industry.

Unfortunately, oil prices fell in the 1980s, negatively impacting on Algeria's economy which had become almost completely dependent on oil. Algeria is currently the world's second-biggest exporter of gas and it possesses the world's fifth largest natural gas reserves. The hydrocarbons sector makes up approximately 52% of budget revenues, 95% of the country's export earnings, and 25% of the GDP i.e., gross domestic product. Even with efforts to develop the Algerian economy, the government has not been able to do much about unemployment or raise the population's living standards.

The government is working hard to improve Algeria's economy and the situation of its people. With increased foreign interest and investment, the country can look forward to growth in the future, particularly as the economy becomes more multiple.

Part One: Reading Comprehension

1- Answer the following questions according to the text : (05pts)

- 1) Give a title to the text. **Economy of Algeria**
- 2) When did the oil prices fall? **oil prices fell in the 1980s**
- 3) Is Algeria the world's first biggest exporter of gas? Illustrate. **No, Algeria is currently the world's second-biggest exporter of gas and it possesses the world's fifth largest natural gas reserves**
- 4) What does this item GDP refer to? **gross domestic product**
- 5) Has the government succeeded in eliminating unemployment? **No, the government has not been able to do much about unemployment or raise the population's living standards**

2- Translate the following words into Arabic or French: (02pts)

- a. Economy **économie** الاقتصاد
- b. Government **gouvernement** الحكومة
- c. Oil prices **les prix de pétrole** اسعار البترول
- d. Sector **secteur** قطاع

3- Say if these sentences are written into *Formal* or *Informal* language (05pts)

1. Hi Rita! Pleased to hear you're coming next week. **Informal**

2. Dear Ms. Randall I will come and pick you up at the airport. **Formal**
3. I look forward to meeting you. Yours sincerely. **Formal**
4. Dear Tommy, What's up man! Are you free for a game of Tennis? **Informal**
5. This email is to confirm that you won the job. **Formal**

4- Complete the table: (02pts)

Adjective	Opposite
Friendly	Unfriendly/ rude/ aggressive
Comfortable	Uncomfortable
Beautiful	Ugly / rude
Good / nice	Bad

Part Two: Written Expression (06pts)

Note: Choose One Topic to do

Topic 01:

Finish the conversation using the following adjectives: Unreliable; unhelpful; rude; dirty; expensive; uncomfortable.

- A. Have you tried Tim's Taxi Services?
B. Yes, and they're terrible! The drivers don't say 'hello', they're so **rude**
A. Do the drivers arrive when you call them?
B. No, they're always late, they are really **unreliable**
A. Do they carry your bags?
B. Never, they just sit in the car, they're so **unhelpful**
A. And what about the cars? Are they clean?
B. They never clean the Taxis, they look **dirty**.
A. And are they comfortable?
B. They use small cars, so you always feel **uncomfortable**
A. What about the fares?
B. They're so **expensive!** You pay so much!

Topic 02:

Imagine you are a millionaire, what would you do to your country in the field of Economy? Express your imagination through a paragraph.