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I. Linguistic Competence (8pts)

A. Choose the best word or expression in parentheses to complete the sentences.

(0.5x4=2pts)

- 1) The students in Niger were very good (in/at/on) English in the 1980s.
- 2) It is a pity! They do not listen (at, to, on) their teacher carefully during class.
- 3) I have not seen you for a long time! Where (were you/have you been/are you)?
- 4) The policeman arrested the thief (as well as/as soon as/until) he committed the theft.

B. Choose the letter a, b or c to complete the sentences (0.5x4=2pts)

- 1) Most students always to school late in the morning.
a) are coming b) have come c) come
- 2) I prefer visiting Mecca visiting Europe.
a) than b) to c) rather to
- 3) The dog is alert no one enters their house unnoticed.
a) so that b) so than c) so as
- 4) I would visit the southern cities the northern ones.
a) rather that c) rather to c) rather than

C) Change the following sentences into active voice (1x2=2pts)

- 1) Most European cities were rebuilt after the Second World War.
- 2) He was said to have been excellent as a younger student.

D) Change the following sentences into the direct or reported speech. (1x2=2pts)

- 1) "Stay where you are!" He said to them.
- 2) The police warned the population not to go out late at night.

II. Reading (4pts)

Read the text and answer the questions.

Government removes barriers to Education

The amendment of the Education Act is a significant step forward for children across the country. Among other things, the amendment prohibits corporal punishment and the exclusion of pregnant girls from school in accordance with the constitution, which guarantees the right to education. In May 2019, Human Rights Watch wrote an open letter to the chairperson of the Parliamentary Portfolio Committee on Education to ensure that it guaranteed equal realization of the right to education for all and complied with international human rights standards.

The new law provides that children are not subject to any form of physical or psychological torture or to cruel, inhuman, or degrading treatment at school, and prohibits teachers from beating students. An overwhelming number of students are affected by corporal punishment in schools. The amended law further provides that every school provide suitable infrastructure for students with disabilities and requires government authorities to ensure disability rights are protected and accounted for in every school in the country. The law reasserts the constitutional protection that students should not pay fees from preschool up to the end of lower secondary education, and says no pupil shall be excluded from school for non-payment of school fees.

Prior to this new amendment, the Ministry of Education introduced a conditional reentry policy in 2010, which ended expulsion of pregnant girls from school but only allowed them to return after a three-month leave. More than six thousand pregnant girls dropped out of school in the country in 2018 alone, according to a UNESCO report.

The authorities now need to act on these laudable legislative changes, ensuring necessary infrastructural changes are made to accommodate children with disabilities and others. The government should also put in place a monitoring system to ensure schools accommodate pregnant students and adolescent mothers, and that they do not turn away students who cannot pay indirect school costs. The full implementation of the new law will go a long way to ensuring more young people realize their right to education and complete compulsory basic and secondary education.

A) Questions (4x0.5=2points)

- 1) Why is the amendment a significant step for the children?
- 2) Why did Human Right Watch write a letter to the chairperson of the Parliamentary Portfolio Committee on Education?
- 3) What does the amended law further provide?
- 4) What did the conditional reentry policy end in 2010?

B) Match each word or expression in column A with its meaning in column B (0.5x4=2pts)

Column A	Column B
complied with (paragraph 1)	praiseworthy
account for (paragraph 2)	left
dropped out of (paragraph 3)	agreed with
laudable (paragraph 4)	take care of

III. Translation (4pts)

Translate these sentences into English. (1x4=4pts)

- 1) La nouvelle loi interdit le châtimeⁿt corporel.
- 2) Les députés ont voté pour un amendement de la constitution.
- 3) L'exclusion des filles enceintes est interdite par la loi amendée.
- 4) L'éducation jusqu'à l'âge de seize ans est un droit constitutionnel.

IV. Writing (4pts)

Write two paragraphs minimum about what you think should be the social responsibilities and the rights of young people in your country today.