



Level :2ASL

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English Exam FirstTerm

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The United Nations has said Rohingya Muslims in Myanmar are facing a "catastrophic" humanitarian situation. Hundreds of thousands of Rohingya have fled from Myanmar over the border to Bangladesh. The UN Secretary-General, Antonio Guterres, said the Rohingya are escaping continued attacks from Myanmar security forces. Over 379,000 Rohingyas have fled to Bangladesh since violence began last month. The BBC reports that whole villages have burned down. The Myanmar army denies it is targeting the Rohingya. The Rohingya are mostly Muslim people who live in the state of Rakhine in Myanmar. They have lived there for generations, but Myanmar says they are illegal immigrants.

Many people are asking Myanmar's Aung San Suu Kyi to help the Rohingya. *They* want her Nobel Peace Prize to be taken away if she doesn't act. They say she cannot keep the prize while the Rohingya are suffering in her country. Ms Suu Kyi has not criticized the attacks on the Rohingya. Bangladesh's Prime Minister, Sheikh Hasina, has asked Myanmar to take the Rohingya refugees back. However, the Myanmar army said Myanmar could not accept them back. A spokesman said: "Rakhine ethnics (Buddhists) are our original people who had long been living in Rakhine since the time of their forefathers."

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1709/170915-rohingya.html>

### Reading Comprehension (7pts)

The text is :a) a web article b) an extract from a novel c) a magazine article. (0,5)

2) Say whether the following statements are true or false according to the text (2pts)

- The UN says the Rohingya people are facing a catastrophe.
- A million Rohingya have escaped over the Bangladesh border.
- Aung San Suu Kyi has lost her Nobel Peace Prize.
- Bangladesh's leader doesn't want to send the Rohingya back.

3) Answer the following questions according to the text (3pts)

- Why have Rohingya fled from Myanmar?
- How long have the Rohingya lived in Myanmar?
- Has Aung San Suu Kyi condemned the attacks on the Rohingya?

4) What or who do the underlined words in the text refer to? (1pt)

a-They( §1).....

b-she (§2).....

**5) In which paragraph is it mentioned that? (0,5)**

The Myanmar government said the Rohingya are illegal immigrants.....

**B-TEXT EXPLORATION: (8 pts)**

**1) Find in the text words that are closest in meaning to the following: (1pt)**

a- tragic (§1) = ..... b- rejects (§1) = .....

**2) Complete the table as shown in the example (1pt)**

| verb                                 | noun        | adjective |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|-----------|
| .....                                | eradication | .....     |
| //////////////////////////////////// | .....       | peaceful  |
| To act                               | .....       | active    |

**3) Rewrite sentence "B" so that it means the same as sentence "A". (2pts)**

1-a- Organizations **are obliged to** provide food and drinking water for Rohingya Muslims

1b- Organizations.....

2-a- The Rohingya **were able to** escape continued attacks from Myanmar security forces

2- The Rohingya.....

**4) Mark the intonation at the end of each sentence with an arrow (↑↓) (1,5pts)**

1) A: Could you sign this petition against age limits, please?

B: Sure

2) I wonder if the United Nations can resolve conflicts in Syria?

**1) Fill in the gaps from the list given: war -- continue -- cold (1,5pts)**

Peace is still a dream. People talk of peace but prepare for (1)..... Almost all the countries have been raising their defense budgets. With the fall of Soviet empire, (2)..... war is over. But the fall of Communism has seen disintegration of many countries. World wars have been replaced by small ones. They are uglier still. The world wars were fought for a number of years. These small wars may (3)..... for years together.

**PART TWO : written expression / choose one topic only (05pts)**

**Topic one:** using the following notes, write a composition on how to live in peace?

Solving problems peacefully with negotiations

Wars are destructive

Democracy , freedom, equality, justice and brotherhood between people

Spreading peace principles, spending money on housing , health care, food rather than on massive destructive weapons

**Topic two:** Write an e-mail to your pen- friend in which you tell him/her about your plans for the next winter holidays .Use (will or going to form)

*Good Luck*

**Reading comprehension (7pts)**

1) The text is a web article

2) Say if the sentences are true or false

- a) true
- b) false
- c) false
- d) false

3) Answer the questions

- a) They fled because of the attacks from Myanmar security forces.
- b) They have lived for generations.
- c) No she hasn't.

4) What do the underlined words in the text refer to?

They: the Rohingya she : Aung San Suu Kyi

5) It is mentioned in paragraph (1)

Text exploration (8pts)

1) Synonyms

Tragic=catastrophic      rejects=denies

2) Complete the table

| verb                 | noun        | adjective  |
|----------------------|-------------|------------|
| To eradicate         | eradication | eradicated |
| //////////////////// | peace       | peaceful   |
| To act               | action      | active     |

3) Re-write sentence "b" so that it means the same as sentence "a"

- 1) Organizations must provide food and drinking water for Rohingya Muslims.
- 2) The Rohingya could escape continued attacks from Myanmar security forces.

4) Mark the intonation with arrows at the end of each sentence

Up<sup>^</sup>  
Down<sup>^</sup>  
Up<sup>^</sup>

5) Fill in the gap with the right word\*

- 1) war
- 2) cold
- 3) continue

Written Expression ( 5pts)