

**Text:**

Dear Jack ,  
 Sorry I was not able to attend your party last Sunday. I was quite ready to come and just about to leave when a friend of mine from Algeria on her way to America dropped in. She wanted to spend the night at home. The next morning, she left. This was why I couldn't come, could I ?  
 Of course, I tried to call, but I couldn't get through .Your number was engaged. I hope you will understand. I know you needed my CD player, but I am sure you all had a good time .  
 Love ,  
 Jill

**PART ONE:**

**Section One: Reading Comprehension ( 07 Pts)**

**A) Read the text carefully and answer these questions : ( 03 Pts)**

- 1) Could Jill attend Jack's party ?
- 2) Where is Jill ' s friend from ?
- 3) Where did she travel ?

**B) Write " true " or " false " .Correct the wrong statement : ( 02 Pts )**

- 1) The text is a dialogue . . . . .
- 2) Jill is the receiver and Jack the sender . . . . .

**A) Lexis :**

- 1) **Find in the text words that are closest in meaning to the following** : ( 01 Pt )  
 To phone =..... I wish = I .....
- 2) **Find in the text words that are opposite in meaning to the following** : ( 01 Pt )  
 Bad ≠ ..... next ≠ .....

**Section Two : Mastery of Language ( 7 pts ) .**

**What do these sentences express ? ability ? inability or permission ?**

- 1) Jack couldn't come to the party . ( ..... )
- 2) Can I dance with you ? ( ..... )
- 3) Jill can sing and dance . ( ..... )

**B) Reorder these words alphabetically:**

attend                      Algeria                      about                      able

- 1).....
- 2) .....
- 3).....
- 4).....

**C) Classify these words according to their pronunciation : ( 02 Pts)**

Trip

leave

party

need

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**Part Two : Integration Phase ( Written Expression ) ( 6 pts )**

Write a letter of apology to a friend of yours .Include an explanation on why you are / were not able to attend the party ( birthday , wedding .....).

Use : could / can ; couldn't / can't or able to . ( from 6 to 8 lines ) .