

Second Exam

The Text

Home Schooling

All children in the United States have to receive an education, but the law does not say they have to be educated at school. A number of parents prefer not to send their children to school. Children who are educated at home are called * Home Scholars*. There are about 300.000 home scholars in the United States today.

Some parents prefer teaching their children at home because they do not believe that public schools teach the correct religious values; others believe they can provide a better educational experience for their children at home. Results show that home schooled children often do better than average on national tests, especially on Maths and Reading.

Home schooling is often more interesting than regular schools, but critics say that most parents are not well qualified to teach their children. However, most parents do not have the time or the desire to teach their children at home.

Therefore, schools will continue to be where most children get their education.

Part One (14 pts)

A: Reading Comprehension (8 pts)

a-Read the text carefully and answer the following questions (2pts)

- 1- Who are Home Scholars ?
- 2-Why do some parents prefer teaching their children at home? (Give one reason)
- 3- Who are better at Reading and Maths, Home scholars or schooled children ?

b-Write True or False . Correct the wrong statement (2pts)

1- The text above is about education in Algeria.

2- Thousands of American children learn at home

3- Schools are the best place to study and learn.

c- Lexis

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

- father and mother =

- must =

2- Find in the text words that are opposite in meaning to the following (1pt)

- send ≠

- irregular ≠

B / Mastery of language (6 pts)

1- Complete this table (2 pts)

| Singular | Plural |
|----------|--------|
| child | |
| country | |
| wife | |
| school | |

2- Complete sentence 'B' so that it means the same as sentence 'A' (2 pts)

1)-A-Many children **used to go** to school on foot

B-Many children.....to school on foot.

2)-A- Home scholars **studied** in their homes.

B- Home scholarsin their homes

3-Find in the text '4' words which have these diphthong sounds (2 pts)

| / ei / (way) | /əu/ (phone) | / au / (how)) | / ai / (like) |
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P Part Two: Situation of integration (6 pts)

As an Algerian , do you want to send your children to a public school or to a private school?

give your reasons . here are some notes to help you:

- Public Schools/ free- Parents pay no fees - a lot of pupils in classrooms
- Private Schools provide better education - good teachers - not many pupils in classrooms

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GOOD LUCK