

BACCALAURÉAT TECHNOLOGIQUE

SESSION 2006

ANGLAIS

LANGUE VIVANTE 1

Séries SMS, STL, STI, STT

(STT spécialité comptabilité et gestion ; spécialité informatique et gestion)

Langue vivante 1 renforcée-Série STT

(spécialité action et communication commerciales ;
spécialité action et communication administratives)

Durée de l'épreuve : 2 heures.

Coefficient : 2

L'usage de la calculatrice et du dictionnaire n'est pas autorisé.

Dès que ce sujet vous est remis, assurez-vous qu'il est complet.
Ce sujet comporte 4 pages numérotées de 1 à 4.

Répartition des points

Compréhension	12 points
Expression	8 points

Later that night, I was passing my father's study when I overheard him speaking to Rahim Khan. I pressed my ear to the closed door.

" – grateful that he is healthy," Rahim Khan was saying.

5 "I know, I know. But he's always buried in those books or shuffling around the house like he's lost in some dream."

"And?"

"I wasn't like that." Baba¹ sounded frustrated, almost angry.

"I'm telling you," Baba said, "I wasn't like that at all, and neither were any of the kids I grew up with."

10 "You know, sometimes you are the most self-centered man I know," Rahim Khan said. He was the only person I knew who could get away with saying something like that to Baba.

"It has nothing to do with that."

"Then what?"

15 I closed my eyes, pressed my ear even harder against the door, wanting to hear, not wanting to hear. "Sometimes I look out this window and I see him playing on the street with the neighborhood boys. I see how they push him around, take his toys from him, give him a shove here, a whack there. And, you know, he never fights back. Never. He just ... drops his head and ..."

"So, he's not violent," Rahim Khan said.

20 "That's not what I mean, Rahim and you know it," Baba shot back. "There's something missing in that boy."

"Yes, a mean streak."

25 "Self-defense has nothing to do with meanness. You know what always happens when the neighborhood boys tease him? Hassan steps in and fends them off. I've seen it with my own eyes. And when they come home, I say to him, 'How did Hassan get that scrape on his face?' And he says, 'he fell down.' I'm telling you, Rahim, there is something missing in that boy."

"You just need to let him find his way," Rahim Khan said.

"And where is he headed?" Baba said. "A boy who won't stand up for himself becomes a man who can't stand up to anything."

30 "As usual, you're oversimplifying."

"I don't think so."

"You're angry because you're afraid he'll never take over the business for you."

35 "But something about Amir troubles me in a way that I can't express. If I hadn't seen the doctor pull him out of my wife with my own eyes, I'd never believe he's my son."

Abridged from *The Kite Runner* by Khaled Hosseini, 2003

¹ 'Baba' means 'Dad'.

NOTE AUX CANDIDATS

- Les candidats traiteront tous les exercices sur la copie qui leur sera fournie et veilleront
- à respecter l'ordre des questions et reporter la numérotation sur la copie (numéro de l'exercice et, le cas échéant, la lettre repère ; ex. : 1 a, 1 b, etc.) ;
 - à faire précéder les citations éventuellement demandées du numéro de ligne dans le texte.

I – GENERAL COMPREHENSION

A- The scene takes place

- 1) in the morning
- 2) at noon
- 3) in the afternoon
- 4) in the evening.

B- The narrator is standing

- 1) in the study
- 2) outside the study
- 3) at the window
- 4) in the street.

C- Complete the following summary with words or names taken from the text.

The narrator is listening to a conversation his father has with1

The father2..... unhappy because his son doesn't like to3.....back

when the other boys4..... him around. The boy's future5..... his father.

He doubts he will be able to take6..... his firm.

II – DETAILED COMPREHENSION

A- Right or Wrong ? Justify by quoting the text.

- 1- The narrator was not supposed to listen to the conversation.
- 2- As a child, the father was different from his son.
- 3- The boy is never bullied by his friends.
- 4- The father thinks his son is perfect.
- 5- At the end, the father is criticized by his friend.
- 6- The father was present when his son was born.

B- Pick out one element showing that

- 1- The boy seems to live in an imaginary world.
- 2- The father's friend can freely criticize the father.
- 3- The boy is a young child.
- 4- The father has difficulties describing his son.

C- Who do the following pronouns refer to ?

- 1- I was passing (line 1)
- 2- He's healthy (line 3)
- 3- I'm telling you (line 8)
- 4- He was the only person (lines 10 and 11)
- 5- They push him around (line 16)
- 6- They come home (line 25)
- 7- I say to him (line 25)
- 8- He fell down (line 26)

D- Write down the synonyms for

- 1- in good physical condition :
- 2- answered sharply :
- 3- a tendency to be cruel :
- 4- pushes them away :
- 5- a scratch :
- 6- defend his rights :

III – EXPRESSION

Do both subjects (one and two).

- 1- Imagine the conversation between father and son the next morning (80 words).
- 2- Describe your feelings, emotions and reactions when you hear a conversation about yourself. (120 words).