

Level 4 m.s

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English Exam

Text

Malek Bennabi is a famous Algerian writer, thinker and philosopher. He was born on January 1st 1905 in Constantine. He belonged to a poor and a conservative family. He had three sisters and no brothers. When he was a child, his family was obliged to move to Tebessa because of his father's job. Bennabi continued his studies in Algiers and Paris until he graduated as an engineer in electricity. After his graduation in 1925, Bennabi tried many jobs in Constantine, Tebessa and elsewhere but he wasn't really happy so he didn't stay long at any of them. He decided to go back to France. In 1930, he got married with a French girl called Paulette. Later, he moved to Cairo, where he continued his intellectual production until the independence of Algeria. In 1963, he returned to his hometown and was appointed minister of High Education until he quit in 1967. After that, he devoted himself for his intellectual projects. He wrote many articles and published more than 25 books in his lifetime, among them "The Conditions of Renaissance" in 1948 and "The Question of Culture" in 1954. Malek Bennabi died on October 31st, 1973 in his house in Algiers. He is considred as one of the most remarkable intellectuals in modern Islamic History.

Questions

A/ Reading comprehension (7pts)

Activity one: Read the text and complete the biographical card.

Biographycal card

- Full name : Malek Bennabi
- Date of birth :
- Place of birth : Constantine
- Date of death :
- Place of death :
- Nationality :
- Occupation :



Activity two: Read the text again and answer the following questions:

- 1. How many books did he publish?
- 2. Is he considered as one of the most notable intellectuals in Modern Islamic History?

Activity three: Match each word with its synonym

- 1. Comeback
- 2. Outstanding
- 3. Started
- 4. Viewed

- a. Began
- b. Returned
- c. Considered
- d. Prominent

B/ Mastery of language (7pts)

Activity one: Read the sentences and choose the right connector

Since - therefore

- **1.** Messali El hadj defended his land and protected the Algerian values., he became one of the most prominent Algerian nationalists.
- **2.** Mouloud Feraoun's books are very interesting, they were translated to several languages .
- 3. Activity two: Turn the following sentences into passive voice
- 1. Mohamed Dib wrote The Loom.
- 2. Kateb Yacine published many notable literary works.
- 3. The Algerians fought the French forces.

Activity three: Circle the silent letter in each word

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Part two: Situation of integration (6pts)

Being proud of your country, culture, history and literature you have decided to share with tour friend some biographies of some outstanding figures in literature and history.

Use the following information to write a short biography and send it via email to your teacher and friends.

ID Card

Name: Zakaria Ben Slimane Ben Yahia

Nickname: Moufdi Zakaria (The Poet of the Algerian

Revolution)

Date of birth: June 12th 1908

Place of birth: Benni Yazgen, Gherdaia

Ocuppation: a poet and a writer

Other facts: He was an active nationalist He was imprisoned in Serkaji by the French.

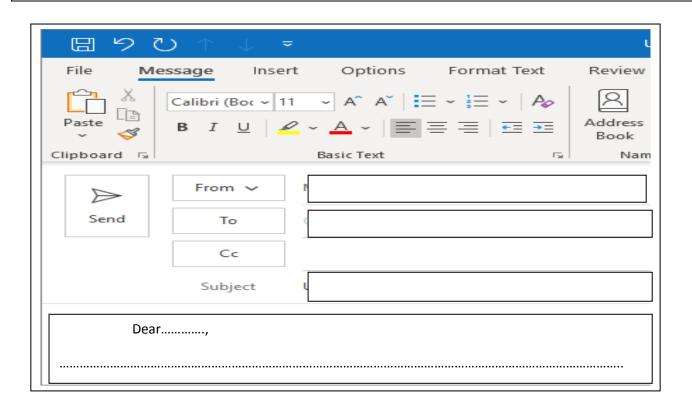
He wrote "Quassaman" on the walls using his blood.

Date of Death: 1977

Place of death: Tunisia (his body was buried in

Algeria)





"if it is important to you, you will find a way. if not, you will find an excuse."

Good Luck



Correction

Activity one: Read the text and complete the biographical card.

Biographycal card

Full name : Malek Bennabi

Date of birth: January 1st 1905

• Place of birth: Constantine

Date of death : October 31st 1973

Place of death : AlgiersNationality : Algerian

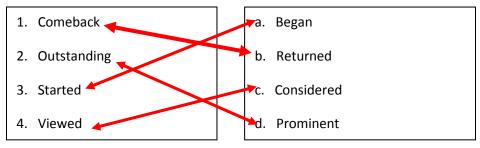
• Occupation: Minister of high Education, thinker, writer

• Title of famous writings: The Condition of Renaissance and The Question of Culture

Activity two: Read the text again and answer the following questions:

- 3. He published 25 books.
- **4.** Yes, he is.

Activity three: Match each word with its synonym



B/ Mastery of language (7pts)

Activity one: Read the sentences and choose the right connector

Since - therefore

- **4.** Messali Hadj defended his land and protected the Algerian values. Therefore , he became one of the most prominent Algerian nationalists.
- **5.** Since Mouloud Feraoun's books are very interesting, they were translated to several languages .
- 6. Activity two: turn the following sentences into passive voice
- 4. The Loom was written by Mohaled Dib.
- 5. Many notable literary works were published by Kateb Yacine.
- 6. The French forces were fought by the Algerians.

Activity three: circle the silent letter in each word

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