



World Best Architectural Design for 2021

The Mosque of Algiers, also known as Djemaa El Djazair, was inaugurated in 2019. It was chosen as one of the best international architectural designs for the year 2021. It won the annual award granted by the Chicago Museum as revealed by the United States Embassy in Algeria.

Algiers Mosque is the largest mosque in Africa and the third in the world after Al Masjid El-Haram in Mecca and Al Masjid En-Nabawi in Medina. This religious, scientific and tourist building extends over an area of 400,000 square metres. It is situated in El Mohammadia, Algiers. It includes a prayer hall of 20,000 square meters with a capacity of more than 120,000 worshippers.

The mosque is characterized by the largest minaret in the world with a height of more than 265 meters. It consists of 43 floors. It also includes other facilities such as a "House of Quran" with a capacity of 1,500 seats, an amphitheatre, a cultural centre with an exhibition hall and a library that accommodates a million books, as well as a car park that can contain 7,000 cars, and a large yard surrounded by gardens and basins.

The Mosque of Algiers is truly a masterpiece of art as well as an outstanding example of rich and prospering history in the religion of Islam and the country of Algeria.

Adapted from: <http://www.entv.dz/mosque-of-algiers-chosen-as-one-of-best-international-architectural-designs-for-2021/>

Read the text and do the following activities:

Part One: (14 pts.)

A/ Reading Comprehension: (07 pts.)

Activity One: Complete the table with information from the text: (03 pts.)

Name of the landmark	Date of inauguration	Area (m ²)	Location	Area of the prayer hall (m ²)	Number of floors of the minaret

Activity Two: Answer the following questions: (02 pts.)

- 1- Is the mosque of Algiers the largest one in the world?
- 2- What facilities does it contain? Name two (02) of them.

Activity Three: Lexis: (02 pts.)

a/ Find in the text words that are closest in meaning to the following: (01 pt.)

- 1- selected =
- 2- located =

b/ Find in the text words that are opposite in meaning to the following: (01 pt.)

- 1- less ≠
- 2- poor ≠

B/ Mastery of Language: (07 pts.)

Activity One: Supply the punctuation and capital letters where necessary: (02 pts.)

Eiffel tower is the highest landmark in paris france.

Activity Two: Complete the following passage using the superlative form of the adjective in brackets: (03 pts.)

London is known for its touristic attractions. Big Ben is (famous) one. It has (heavy) bell in the world. In addition, London Eye gives tourists (good) view of the city.

Activity Three: Write the following words in the right box according to their final "ed" pronunciation: (02 pts.)

designed – surrounded – constructed - finished		
/ t /	/ d /	/ Id /
1-	1-	1- 2-

Part Two: (06 pts.)

Situation of Integration:

You were surfing a tourism web page to design a leaflet about landmarks in Algeria on the occasion of the World Tourism Day. Many articles about international landmarks attracted your attention. You want to show the tourists all over the world that your beloved country, Algeria, has fascinating landmarks, too.

Write a short article about a famous landmark (a monument, a historic building, a citadel, ruins, a national park...) in your country and share it on that web page.

You can mention:

- the name of the landmark
- its location
- its description
- when it was built
- ...

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المدة: ساعة ونصف

اختبار مادة: اللغة الإنجليزية

العلامة		عناصر الإجابة					
مجموع	عجزة						
3pts.	0.5pt. x 6	Part One:					
		A/ Reading Comprehension					
		Activity One:					
3pts.	0.5pt. x 6	Name of the landmark	Date of inauguration	Area (m ²)	Location	Area of the prayer hall (m ²)	Number of floors of the minaret
		-The mosque of Algiers / -Djemaa El Djazair	-2019	-400,000 square meters/ -400,000 m ² / -400,000	-El Mohammadia, Algiers / - El Mohammadia/ -Algiers/ -Algeria	-20,000 square meters/ -20,000 m ² / -20,000	-43 floors / -43 -forty three
		Activity Two:					
2pts.	1pt. 0.5pt. x 2	1- No, it is not the largest mosque in the world. / No, it is not. / No, it isn't. / No./ Algiers Mosque is the largest mosque in Africa. / It is the third in the world.					
		2- The candidate names two of the following:					
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - House of Quran - an amphitheatre - a cultural centre - an exhibition hall - a library - a car park - a large yard - gardens - basins 					
2pts.	0.5pt. x 2	Activity Three:					
		Synonyms:					
		1- selected = chosen 2- located = situated					
2pts.	0.5pt. x 2	Opposites:					
		1- less ≠ more 2- poor ≠ rich					
		B/ Mastery of Language:					
2pts.	0.5pt. x 4	Activity One:					
		Eiffel Tower is the highest landmark in Paris, France.					
		Activity Two:					
3pts.	1pt. x 3	London is known for its touristic attractions. Big Ben is (famous) the most famous one. It has (heavy) the heaviest bell in the world. In addition, London Eye gives tourists (good) the best view of the city.					
		1- (famous) the most famous 2- (heavy) the heaviest 3- (good) the best /					
		1- famous → the most famous 2- heavy → the heaviest 3- good → the best /					
3pts.	1pt. x 3	1- → the most famous 2- → the heaviest 3- → the best					

2pts	0.5pt x 4	Activity Three:		
		/ t /	/ d /	/ id /
		1- finished	1- designed	1- constructed 2- surrounded

Part Two: (06 pts.)

Situation of Integration:

CRITERIA	INDICATORS		
	GOOD	FAIR	POOR
Relevance (02pts)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All the ideas are related to the topic: national landmarks. (01pt.) Format: correct web article. (01pt.) (02pts.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some ideas are related to the topic. (0.5pt.) Format: partly correct. (0.5pt.) (01pt.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Very little reference to the topic. Format: incorrect. (0.5pt.)
Coherence (01.5pts.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ideas are well organised. Introduction/ topic sentence. Supporting sentences. (including 3 or more pieces of information about the landmark). Conclusion/ closing sentence. All sentences are linked correctly. (01.5pts.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some ideas are organised Introduction/ topic sentence. One or two supporting sentences (including 2 pieces of information). No conclusion/ no closing sentence. Some sentences are linked correctly. (01pt.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ideas are not organised/ difficult to follow. Only the name of the landmark. No conclusion/ no closing sentence. Sentences are not linked correctly. (0.5pt.)
Correct use of language (01.5pts.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Correct use of tense: Simple present tense/ the passive voice. Different grammatical items: Adjectives / Comparatives / Superlatives Appropriate vocabulary related to touristic attractions. (01.5pts.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only some verbs are correctly conjugated. Use of some grammatical items (only a few adjectives). Inappropriate vocabulary. (01pt.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Incorrect use of tense. Incorrect use of grammatical items. Very limited vocabulary. (0.5pt.)
Excellence (01pt.)	Creativity and originality (bright ideas, varied vocabulary items, good paper presentation, legible handwriting...)		