

## ΘΕΜΑ 1. ΚΑΤΑΝΟΗΣΗ ΓΡΑΠΤΟΥ ΛΟΓΟΥ

Read the text and choose the correct option (A, B or C) for items 1-10.

Christian Guibert, a former police officer, was shopping in a Super U supermarket when he heard several shots. It all happened 8km away from Carcassonne, in Trebes, a sleepy town of 5,000 people in southern France. At about 11:00 last Friday morning, a man of 25 walked into the supermarket shouting "Allahu Akbar" and claiming he was a soldier of the Islamic State. Around 50 people were inside the building. The attacker opened fire, killing one supermarket worker and one customer. The attacker, named as Radouane Lakdim, was born in Morocco and lived in Carcassonne. He had spent some time in prison for a series of minor crimes in 2015. During surveillance, security services had not seen signs that suggested Lakdim would commit an attack. The supermarket attack lasted just over three hours, during which the gunman had asked for the release of Salah Abdeslam, the only surviving member from the group that carried out the November 2015 Paris attacks. When members of the French police **attempted** to evacuate the supermarket, they found out that Lakdim was holding several hostages. A police officer called Lt Col Arnaud Beltrame volunteered to take the hostages' place. While trying to escape, Lakdim shot the officer who ended up seriously injured and died from his injuries a day later. However, the interior minister praised the officer's heroism as he had saved others by exchanging himself for the hostages. The attacker was shot dead by the police. Abdeslam is kept in a French prison as the investigation into the Paris attacks continues.



(Words: 258)

- The text talks about
  - 50 people killed while shopping.
  - 50 people robbed while shopping.
  - an officer who died while on duty.
- Who would be most interested in reading this text?
  - Foreign Affairs ministers.
  - The general public.
  - Supermarket customers.
- The supermarket attack took place in
  - Carcassonne.
  - Paris.
  - Trebes.
- Lakdim had
  - committed many crimes.
  - escaped from prison.
  - been selling drugs.
- According to the security forces, Lakdim
  - was expected to commit the attack.
  - was not expected to commit the attack.
  - had already committed similar attacks.
- Lakdim committed the attack in order to
  - fight against the Islamic State in Morocco.
  - take revenge for his time in prison.
  - demand the release of another attacker.
- Lt Col Arnaud Beltrame
  - offered to take the hostages' place.
  - was forced to take the hostages' place.
  - was among the hostages Lakdim was holding.
- Lt Col Arnaud Beltrame
  - was let free by Lakdim.
  - was accidentally killed by Lakdim.
  - was badly injured by Lakdim.
- In the text, the underlined word "**attempted**" is closest in meaning to
  - tried.
  - failed.
  - managed.
- According to the text, Salah Abdeslam
  - was shot dead during the attack.
  - will be sent to prison for further investigation.
  - is kept in prison by the French police.

ΘΕΜΑ 2<sup>ο</sup>. ΛΕΞΙΚΟΓΡΑΜΜΑΤΙΚΗ

Fill each gap in sentences 11-20 with the correct word from the box below (A-J). Use each option only once.

|    |          |    |           |    |              |    |         |    |          |
|----|----------|----|-----------|----|--------------|----|---------|----|----------|
| A. | evacuate | B. | attempted | C. | surveillance | D. | sign    | E. | accused  |
| F. | survive  | G. | injured   | H. | suspect      | I. | praised | J. | released |

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| 11. | The young boys were ____ of breaking their neighbour's window.   |
| 12. | According to the police spokesperson, all hostages were ____ earlier that day and were taken to the nearby hospital for a routine examination. |
| 13. | The police used helicopters to ____ people from their burning homes in the middle of the night.  |
| 14. | The suspect will be kept under ____ for the rest of the week; two undercover policemen will be watching him from a safe distance.              |
| 15. | The burglar ____ to escape from a broken window but he got hurt and was taken to hospital for treatment.                                       |
| 16. | After the car accident, Steven had to stay in bed for 10 days to rest his ____ back.   |
| 17. | They were supposed to be here by now but unfortunately there's no ____ of them.  |
| 18. | Yesterday morning the police managed to trace and arrest the ____ of the bank robbery.   |
| 19. | The art teacher ____ all students for their amazing works of art.  |
| 20. | A British woman miraculously managed to ____ in <i>the ocean</i> for 10 hours after falling off a cruise ship.                                 |

Match each underlined word in the sentences below (21-30) with a word/phrase from the box that has a similar meaning (A-J). Use each option only once.

|    |               |    |         |    |             |    |          |    |              |
|----|---------------|----|---------|----|-------------|----|----------|----|--------------|
| A. | congratulated | B. | fine    | C. | examination | D. | changed  | E. | found guilty |
| F. | small         | G. | bravery | H. | demanding   | I. | let free | J. | followed     |

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| 21. | He was awarded a medal for his <u>heroism</u> in the battle.                                   |
| 22. | While getting home last night, I had the feeling I was being <u>watched</u> by someone.        |
| 23. | The number of people <u>claiming</u> unemployment benefit has risen this month.                |
| 24. | Would you mind if Dave <u>swapped</u> places with you so that I could talk to him for a while? |
| 25. | My parents always <u>praised</u> me when I did well at school.                                 |
| 26. | He was <u>released</u> from prison last week but he hasn't found a job yet.                    |

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| 27. | An official <b>investigation</b> of the disappearance of a thirteen-year-old boy has been under way for several days now.    |
| 28. | He was <b>convicted</b> of murder in a court of law and was sent to a high security prison.                                  |
| 29. | The driver escaped with <b>minor</b> injuries when he lost control of his car and crashed into a tree last Saturday morning. |
| 30. | Using a bike keeps you free of any parking <b>offence</b> while you protect the environment at the same time.                |

### ΘΕΜΑ 2<sup>β</sup>. ΛΕΞΙΚΟΓΡΑΜΜΑΤΙΚΗ

Choose the correct option (A, B or C) to complete the gaps 31-40 in the text.

The Great Wall of China, one of the greatest wonders (31)\_\_\_\_\_ the world, was listed as a World Heritage site by UNESCO (32)\_\_\_\_\_ 1987. Just like a gigantic dragon, the Great Wall covers approximately 8,851.8 kilometers from east (33)\_\_\_\_\_ west of China. With a history of more than 2,000 years, some (34)\_\_\_\_\_ the sections are now in ruins or have disappeared. However, it is still one of the most appealing attractions all (35)\_\_\_\_\_ the world because (36)\_\_\_\_\_ its architectural and historical significance. Since its construction, lots of beautiful legends and stories have spread around the country. The most well-known legend is (37)\_\_\_\_\_ the collapse of a section of the Wall caused by Meng Jiangnu, who cried heavily (38)\_\_\_\_\_ the death of her husband after he had died while building the wall. This legend has been spread widely through textbooks, folk songs and traditional operas. In 2012, following a 45-day long survey of 101 sections of the Wall in different provinces, the China Great Wall Academy reported that the forces of nature have destroyed parts of the Wall with the result that less than 30% remains (39)\_\_\_\_\_ good condition. The Academy has called (40)\_\_\_\_\_ greater protection of this important world monument.

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|-----|----|-------|----|------|----|------|
| 31. | A. | of    | B. | in   | C. | at   |
| 32. | A. | with  | B. | in   | C. | for  |
| 33. | A. | in    | B. | to   | C. | at   |
| 34. | A. | of    | B. | in   | C. | from |
| 35. | A. | of    | B. | over | C. | into |
| 36. | A. | of    | B. | for  | C. | at   |
| 37. | A. | about | B. | of   | C. | for  |
| 38. | A. | for   | B. | at   | C. | in   |
| 39. | A. | in    | B. | of   | C. | for  |
| 40. | A. | of    | B. | from | C. | for  |

Match each underlined word/phrase in the sentences below (41-50) with a word from the box that has a similar meaning (A-J). Use each option only once.

|    |         |    |            |    |      |    |           |    |         |
|----|---------|----|------------|----|------|----|-----------|----|---------|
| A. | offered | B. | hole       | C. | do   | D. | nearness  | E. | extreme |
| F. | army    | G. | travellers | H. | team | I. | sufferers | J. | injured |

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| 41. | Syrian children are the innocent <u>victims</u> of a war; they have been forced not only to leave their country but also to reshape their dreams while fighting to survive. |
| 42. | A French officer <u>switched</u> himself for a hostage during a supermarket attack.   |
| 43. | We bought the house because of its <u>closeness</u> to my office.   |
| 44. | James accidentally <u>hurt</u> himself while cleaning his gun.  |
| 45. | The airline company informed <u>passengers</u> about the delay due to the bad weather conditions.   |
| 46. | During my <u>military</u> service I worked in the kitchen, so kitchen work is quite normal for me as well.  |
| 47. | The government announced the creation of a new <i>Internet police</i> <u>squad</u> whose task is to enforce Internet laws and regulations.                                  |
| 48. | People with <u>radical</u> beliefs are pushing for an overthrow of the government.  |
| 49. | My car tyre suffered a <u>puncture</u> at some point and went completely flat overnight.  |
| 50. | The doctors need to <u>carry out</u> more tests to find out what is wrong with her.   |

Fill each gap in sentences 51-60 with the correct word from the box below (A-J). Use each option only once.

|    |          |    |         |    |          |    |       |    |           |
|----|----------|----|---------|----|----------|----|-------|----|-----------|
| A. | radicals | B. | lawyer  | C. | puncture | D. | hurt  | E. | military  |
| F. | squads   | G. | victims | H. | carrying | I. | claim | J. | closeness |

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| 51. | Your support helps us provide the best services for all ____ of crime, their families, and their communities.  |
| 52. | Don't forget to ____ your travel expenses after each business trip.  |
| 53. | You need a good ____ to represent you in court next week otherwise you might end up in prison.   |
| 54. | He decided to buy the house because of its ____ to his office.   |
| 55. | While in college, Josephine got involved with a group of ____ who kept fighting for big social and political changes in the country.   |
| 56. | Nigel is ____ out research on early Christian art. The more he learns about the architecture, painting and sculpture from the beginnings of Christianity the more fascinated he becomes. |
| 57. | Emma ____ herself when she fell off her horse yesterday; I'm afraid she won't be able to ride for a couple of weeks.   |
| 58. | If you join the army, you will have to wear a ____ uniform, a special set of clothes worn by members of the armed forces.  |
| 59. | Special police ____ have been formed to crack down on social media offenders.  |
| 60. | If you experience a tyre ____ while driving, turn your hazard lights on and find yourself somewhere safe to park.  |

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Read the text and choose the correct option (A, B or C) for items 1-20.

In Carcassonne, southern France, a police officer who exchanged himself for hostages during a French supermarket siege has died, bringing the number of victims to four. After a series of attacks claimed by the Islamic State, the attacker was shot dead.

It all happened last Friday when Radouane Lakdim, 25, a Moroccan who lived in Carcassonne, drove in a stolen Opel Corsa to a Super U supermarket 8km away in Trebes and walked into the shop shouting “Allahu Akbar” and claiming he was a soldier of the Islamic State. Then, Lakdim opened fire, killing one supermarket worker and one customer. A police officer, named Lt Col Arnaud Beltrame, volunteered to change places with the hostages Lakdim was holding. The gunman agreed to the swap, so the policeman stayed with him while others were evacuated. The security forces outside the supermarket could hear what was going on inside because Lt Col Arnaud Beltrame had left his mobile phone line open on a table. When gunshots were heard, the security forces immediately stormed the supermarket and shot Lakdim dead. Beltrame was found seriously injured and died from his injuries a day after the attack.

The interior minister, Gerard Collomb, **praised** the officer’s heroism. The state lawyer Francois Molins said that Lakdim had been on an intelligence watchlist since 2014. Lakdim had been found guilty twice in 2011 and 2015 for minor crimes, including drug dealing. He had served one month in prison in 2016. He also said that throughout this time he had shown no signs he was going to carry out an attack.



(Words: 259)

- The text talks about a French  
A. soldier who was killed in an attack.      B. soldier who attacked a supermarket.      C. officer who saved other people’s lives.
- A suitable title for this text is:  
A. “Runaway attacker”      B. “Dying for others”      C. “Saving oneself”
- Lakdim was  
A. a Moroccan in the French army.      B. born in Morocco but lived in France.      C. French but lived in southern Morocco.
- Lakdim drove in a car that  
A. he had borrowed from Allahu Akbar.      B. belonged to the Super U supermarket.      C. he had stolen before the supermarket attack.
- During the supermarket attack, Lakdim  
A. killed the hostages before the evacuation.      B. kept Beltrame among the hostages.      C. accepted Beltrame’s offer for an exchange.
- The security forces could hear what was happening inside the supermarket because  
A. Lakdim was shouting at them.      B. Beltrame’s phone was left open.      C. Beltrame was talking to them on his phone.
- The security forces entered the supermarket when  
A. Beltrame ordered them.      B. Lakdim let them in.      C. they heard shootings.
- Lt Col Arnaud Beltrame was  
A. shot dead by Lakdim.      B. killed by accident.      C. seriously wounded.
- In the text, the underlined word “**praised**” is closest in meaning to  
A. admired.      B. ignored.      C. proved.
- The security forces  
A. had already been informed about the attack.      B. did not expect an attack by Lakdim.      C. expected Lakdim to carry out an attack.

| STATEMENTS |  | A    | B     | C             |
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|            |  | TRUE | FALSE | NOT MENTIONED |
| 11.        | The supermarket attack took place in Paris.  |      |       |               |
| 12.        | Muslim extremists were responsible for many hostage-taking incidents in France.    |      |       |               |
| 13.        | The police found Lt Col Arnaud Beltrame wounded when they entered the supermarket. |      |       |               |
| 14.        | The police officer took the hostages' place because he wanted to save them.        |      |       |               |
| 15.        | Lakdim killed three policemen during the supermarket attack.                       |      |       |               |
| 16.        | The supermarket attack lasted a whole day.   |      |       |               |
| 17.        | Lakdim was being watched because he had taken part in other attacks.               |      |       |               |
| 18.        | Lakdim committed the supermarket attack on his own.                                |      |       |               |
| 19.        | Lakdim had never been to prison before the supermarket attack.                     |      |       |               |
| 20.        | The French police did not expect an attack by Lakdim.                              |      |       |               |

### ΘΕΜΑ 2<sup>ο</sup>. ΛΕΞΙΚΟΓΡΑΜΜΑΤΙΚΗ

Match each of the phrases below (21-30) with a word from the box that has a similar meaning (A-J). Use each option only once.

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|-----------|----------|-----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|-----------|----------|
| <b>A.</b> | customer | <b>B.</b> | minister | <b>C.</b> | guilty    | <b>D.</b> | victim   | <b>E.</b> | evacuate |
| <b>F.</b> | injury   | <b>G.</b> | exchange | <b>H.</b> | volunteer | <b>I.</b> | security | <b>J.</b> | forces   |

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| 21. | Someone who has suffered the effects of a violent act, natural disaster, accident, etc.             |
| 22. | A person who buys goods or products from a shop.  |
| 23. | The damage done to one's body usually after an accident.  |
| 24. | All the measures taken for the protection of a person, building or organization against any threat. |
| 25. | Someone who has broken the law by committing a crime or an offence.                                 |
| 26. | To offer to do something without being asked or forced to do it.                                    |
| 27. | A group of people who work together for a particular purpose.                                       |
| 28. | To remove people or things from a place usually for reasons of safety.                              |
| 29. | A member of the government of a country in charge of a particular department.                       |
| 30. | To give something in order to get something else.   |

Fill each gap in sentences 31-40 with the correct word from the box below (A-J). Use each option only once.

|    |            |    |           |    |          |    |         |    |          |
|----|------------|----|-----------|----|----------|----|---------|----|----------|
| A. | forces     | B. | claimed   | C. | firing   | D. | wounded | E. | injuries |
| F. | attempting | G. | seriously | H. | exchange | I. | finally | J. | shot     |

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| 31. | I suppose you're not ____ thinking of leaving the country, are you?   |
| 32. | The family was lucky enough to get out of the crashed car without any serious ____.   |
| 33. | Without any warning, the armed man started ____ at the crowd and injured four people.   |
| 34. | They were given food and a room to spend their night in ____ for their help.  |
| 35. | Three policemen were seriously ____ when a car bomb exploded outside the police station last Saturday.  |
| 36. | The bank robber was ____ dead after pulling gun on a police officer.  |
| 37. | There's no point in ____ to make him change his mind; he's determined to go.  |
| 38. | In the Netherlands, you can <i>join the army</i> ____ when you reach the age of 16, but you are not allowed to fight in battles abroad until you reach the age of 20. |
| 39. | The company ____ that it was not responsible for the pollution of the river.  |
| 40. | After looking for a job for months, he ____ found one at the nearby bakery.   |

### ΘΕΜΑ 2<sup>β</sup>. ΛΕΞΙΚΟΓΡΑΜΜΑΤΙΚΗ

Choose the correct option (A, B or C) for items 41-50.

41. We won't see Tommy this summer if he ..... to the sports camp.  
 A. had gone                      B. goes                      C. would go
42. We have ..... a pay rise by the company manager.  
 A. been promised              B. promised              C. be promised
43. I ..... talk to her if you don't want me to do so.  
 A. would                      B. hadn't                      C. won't
44. My parents ..... to London. They have just called me to say they are having a great time.  
 A. have been                      B. have gone                      C. go
45. While I ..... the film, the lights went off.  
 A. was watching              B. watched                      C. watch
46. Had I known you were coming, I ..... you at the bus station.  
 A. would meet                      B. will meet                      C. would have met
47. If Jenny ..... going on a trip, we would have stayed at home.  
 A. doesn't suggest              B. won't suggest                      C. hadn't suggested
48. .... I'm concerned, everyone should be given an equal opportunity.  
 A. As far as                      B. As long as                      C. Although
49. If I ..... you, I would pay more attention to their offer.  
 A. will be                      B. were                      C. be
50. Unless Mark ..... talking, he will be asked to leave the room.  
 A. doesn't stop                      B. stops                      C. will stop