

# DAEU A EXAMEN BLANC

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## 1. COMPREHENSION \* EXPRESSION

### Interrogation

- "A thousand dollars cash to tell me everything you know about Claire Clement." Swanson quickly removed an envelope from his coat pocket and laid it on the table.
- "Are you sure she's in no trouble?" asked Beverly.
- 5 "I'm sure. Take the money. If you haven't seen her in four or five years, why should you care?"
- Good point, thought Beverly. She grabbed the envelope and stuck it in her purse. "There's not much to tell."
- "How long did you work with her?"
- 10 "Six months. I was working as a waitress at Mulligan's when she started. We got to be friends. Then I left town, I called her once or twice when I lived in New Jersey, then we just forgot about each other."
- "Where did Claire go to college?"
- 15 "Somewhere in the Midwest."
- "You don't know the name of the school?"
- "I don't think so. Claire was very quiet about her past. You got the impression something bad happened back there, and she didn't talk about it. I never knew." [...]
- 20 "Did she discuss it with anybody?"
- "Not to my knowledge."
- "Do you know her hometown?"
- "She said she moved a lot. Again, I didn't ask a lot of questions."
- "Was she from the Kansas City area?"
- "I don't know."
- "Are you sure her real name was Claire Clement?"
- Beverly withdrew and frowned. "You think maybe it wasn't?"
- "We have reason to believe she was someone else before she arrived in Lawrence, Kansas. Do you remember anything about another name?"
- 30 "Wow. I just assumed she was Claire. Why should she change her name?"
- "We'd love to know." Swanson removed a small notepad from a pocket and studied a checklist. Beverly was another dead end.
- "Did you ever go to her apartment?"
- 35 "Once or twice. We'd cook and watch movies. She didn't party much, but she invited me over with friends."
- "Anything unusual about her apartment?"
- "Yeah. It was very nice, well furnished. It was obvious she had money from sources other than Mulligan's. I mean, we got paid 40 three bucks/hour plus tips."
- "So she had money?"
- "Yeah. A lot more than we did. But, again, she was very secretive." [...]
- Swanson pressed her on other details and came up dry. He 45 thanked her for her help and she thanked him for the cash.

J. GRISHAM, *The Runaway Jury*, 1996.

### • Comprehension

#### ① Choose the right answer.

1. This text is taken from:  a newspaper  a novel  a magazine  a play.
2. Swanson thinks Beverly can tell him:  where Claire Clement is  why Claire Clement worked at Mulligan's  what she knows about Claire  how he can get in touch with Clement's past

#### ② Are the following statements true or false?

##### Quote from the text to justify.

1. Swanson is sure that Claire Clement's life is not in danger.
2. Beverly has a lot to say about Claire.
3. They kept in touch for a short time after Beverly left for New Jersey.
4. Claire Clement has always lived in the same place.
5. Beverly is not the first person Swanson has interviewed.
6. Beverly has never been to Claire's place.
7. Claire had more money than a waitress normally has.

#### ③ Choose the correct answer.

1. Beverly worked with Claire: a. at a hairdresser's b. in a supermarket c. in a restaurant d. in a cinema
2. Beverly worked with her: a. four or five years ago b. for six months before Claire moved out c. six months ago d. before she married Mulligan
3. All Beverly can tell Swanson is that: a. Claire had serious problems with her family. b. Claire had had a very peaceful life before. c. Claire had changed her name before they met d. Claire did not say much about herself.
4. Beverly describes Claire as: a. loquacious b. sociable c. communicative d. reserved

#### ④ Vocabulary. Find synonyms in the text.

1. took out
2. she has no problems
3. seized suddenly
4. supposed
5. a conversation leading nowhere
6. films
7. unexpected
8. evident
9. did not get any answers

### • Expression

Write an imaginary story of Claire Clement's real life and identity. Explain the reason why Swanson asked all those questions about Claire Clement. (150-200 words)

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## 2. GRAMMAR

### 1. PUT THE VERBS INTO THE CORRECT FORM + TENSE

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- My girlfriend always (arrive) \_\_\_\_\_ late and this (make) \_\_\_\_\_ me crazy!
- Look! Your father (repair) \_\_\_\_\_ the car, he (go) \_\_\_\_\_ to be dirty!
- Last year, I (visit) \_\_\_\_\_ the States. It (be) \_\_\_\_\_ a wonderful trip!
- When I (visit) \_\_\_\_\_ a museum, I suddenly (meet) \_\_\_\_\_ an old friend.
- I (not/see) \_\_\_\_\_ you yesterday, I (not/come) \_\_\_\_\_ to the party.

### 2. ASK THE QUESTIONS CORRESPONDING TO THE UNDERLINED ELEMENTS:

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- There were 40 people at the party. \_\_\_\_\_
- Jenny went to Paris yesterday. \_\_\_\_\_
- She plays drums every Friday night. \_\_\_\_\_
- My favourite singer enjoys speaking English. \_\_\_\_\_
- I'm listening to her new CD. \_\_\_\_\_

### 3. USE "CAN" OR "MUST" \* NOT IF NECESSARY TO FILL IN THE BLANKS !

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- I'm sorry I \_\_\_\_\_ come tonight, I \_\_\_\_\_ finish my homework.
- You \_\_\_\_\_ be late because after 8, the doors will be closed.
- You \_\_\_\_\_ park here. The police \_\_\_\_\_ give fines.

### 4. PUT THE ADJECTIVES IN THE COMPARATIVE FORM +, - OR = !

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- The Eiffel Tower is (high) \_\_\_\_\_ a cathedral.
- A lion is (dangerous) \_\_\_\_\_ a dog.
- March is (warm=chaud) \_\_\_\_\_ August.
- This road is (narrow) \_\_\_\_\_ the road before.
- Mary can't see at all, she's (blind) \_\_\_\_\_ a bat.

### 5. TRANSLATE INTO ENGLISH!

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- J'ai faim. Peux-tu me donner encore un peu de pain, s'il te plait?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- J'étais en train de lire quand tu es arrivé.  
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- Où as-tu trouvé ces informations ? Je les ai trouvées sur un site internet !  
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- Angelina ne parle pas français. Elle vient d'Angleterre.  
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- La viande est meilleure pour les dents que les bonbons.  
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