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Durée conseillée : 1heure

Cet examen comporte *deux parties* :

- I *Compréhension et vocabulaire : QCM (50 % de la note) /20*
- II *Expression écrite (50 % de la note) /20*

Remarques importantes :

- 1- Ce document comporte un texte support, des questions de compréhension et de vocabulaire (QCM) et un sujet de rédaction.
- 2- Les réponses aux parties I et II de l'examen doivent figurer sur le feuillet d'examen.
- 3- Q.C.M. (partie I) : il n'y a qu'une seule réponse correcte par question.
Barème de correction :
+ 1 point par réponse juste, ^
0 points par réponse fausse, pas de réponse ou réponse multiple
Voici la manière d'indiquer votre réponse: 1.
- 4- Expression écrite (partie II) : **140 à 150 mots maximum**

L'ensemble de vos réponses à cet examen doit être contenu sur la feuille d'examen

THE ADVOCATE

April 16, 2006 - taken from *The New York Times*

"*A Liberal's Contrarian Views*" By KIRK JOHNSON

1-DENVER, April 15 — Sitting at the Auraria Community Center here on a recent morning with his cat, Tails, perched before him on the desk, Waldo Benavidez gestured to a large portrait of Emiliano Zapata, the leader of the 1910 Mexican revolution — and Mr. Benavidez's personal hero.

2-Mexicans here illegally, Mr. Benavidez said, should take a lesson from those days and return home to fight for change in their own country.

3-"If you're tough enough to cross the desert, you're tough enough to take on your own government and change it," he said.

4-Mr. Benavidez has spent most of his adult life working on behalf of the poor. For the last 25 years he has managed the community center and a food bank here on Denver's west side, where low-income families can get groceries. He marched for civil rights in the 1960's and relishes the memory of his first vote for president, for John F. Kennedy, in 1960.

5-But immigration's tangled implications have pushed him out of his comfortable old political box with its predictably liberal labels and causes. Supporting the poor in America, he said, now means shutting down the system that has created a flood of even poorer immigrants from Mexico.

6-"It has nothing to do with whether I like Mexicans, or whether I've got one foot in Mexico myself because of my ancestry — I'm an American first," said Mr. Benavidez, 67. "I'm very liberal on a lot of issues, but on this one I've taken a stand because of the impact it has on the working people of this country."

7-Mr. Benavidez, whose ancestors have been in the West for 250 years, since the days of the Spanish empire, supports sealing the Mexican border, and is working for a proposed ballot proposition here in Colorado that would deny government social services to illegal immigrants.

8-He rails against multinational corporations that he says have rigged the political systems of the United States and Mexico to keep the border porous as a tool for suppressing wages and labor unions.

9-A Democrat, he nonetheless says he may vote for his first Republican ever this fall because he thinks many Democrats are "pandering" to Hispanic voters on the immigration issue and not keeping their eyes on what is good for the country.

10-Mr. Benavidez said he had been offended by the recent waves of protests around the country, with illegal immigrants demanding rights, and by the comparisons that had been made between those efforts and the civil rights struggles of the past over things like voter registration.

11-"This is not a civil rights issue," he said. "These people are not citizens demanding their rights — that's different. It's a complicated issue, and I don't have all the answers. I do know that there's injustice."

12-Mr. Benavidez said that to him, the issue is not about ethnicity at all. It is about governments allowing poor people to sink further into poverty by indifference or direct action — and both the United States and Mexico, he said, are guilty. In places like Denver, he said, the social safety net of job training programs and educational support efforts embodied by the Great Society programs of the 1960's would once have made illegal immigration less of a blow to the American poor. But those protections have largely been stripped away over the years.

1ère partie: Compréhension et vocabulaire (20 points) Cochez une seule réponse dans la grille

Très important : REpondre sur la grille-reponse prévue a cet effet.

1. The heading 'The Advocate' refers to the fact that this newspaper column

- a-is written by a lawyer
- b-expresses someone's personal opinion
- c-expresses the point of view of the *New York Times*

2. As is implied by the title "A Liberal's Contrarian Views" Waldo Benavidez

- a-is not really a liberal
- b-does not express a typically liberal point of view in this article
- c-is expressing a liberal point of view in this article

3. According to Mr. Benavidez, the government's attitude about illegal immigration should be

- a-very strict
- b-more understanding of the demonstrators
- c-more attentive to the social problems of illegal immigrants

4. Mr. Benavides believes that illegal immigrants should

- a-work to become legal U.S. citizens
- b-demand their civil rights in the U.S.
- c-transform their country of origin

5. According to this article Mr. Benavidez's main concern appears to be

- a-poor U.S. workers
- b-poor Mexican workers
- c-poor illegal immigrants

6. The article implies that at the present time in Colorado

- a-illegal immigrants are not entitled to government social services
- b-immigrants are not entitled to government social services
- c-illegal immigrants are entitled to government social services

7. Mr. Benavides believes that multinational corporations

- a-discourage illegal immigration
- b-are fighting to transform the political systems of the U.S. and Mexico
- c-desire to maintain the status quo insofar as illegal immigration is concerned

8. Which of the following is **NOT** true:

- a-Mr. Benavidez believes that recent demonstrations are comparable to the civil rights struggles of the past.
- b-Mr. Benavidez believes that recent demonstrations are not like the civil rights struggles of the past.
- c-Mr. Benavidez was upset by the fact that during recent demonstrations illegal immigrants claimed certain prerogatives.

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9. Which of the following points is **NOT** made in §12?

- a-The governments of Mexico and of the U.S. are not doing enough today to help the poor.
- b-In the 60's there was better social protection for the poor.
- c-There is no longer a safety net for Mexican workers.

10. Which of the following is suggested by the text?

- a-Liberals usually vote for Democratic candidates.
- b-Democrats are generally in favor of free trade.
- c-Republicans are likely to support liberal causes.

11. §3 In the phrase "*If you're tough enough to cross the desert*" **tough** means

- a-inflexible
- b-strong
- c-difficult

12. §3: In the phrase "*you're tough enough to take on your own government*" **to take on** means

- a-to challenge
- b-to assume responsibility for
- c-to participate actively in

13. §4: In the phrase "*and relishes the memory of his first vote for president*" **relishes** means

- a-regrets
- b-takes pleasure in
- c-feels nostalgic about

14. §5: In the sentence "*But immigration's tangled implications have pushed him out of his comfortable old political box with its predictably liberal labels and causes.*" **political box** means

- a-habitual way of thinking
- b-progressive political views
- c-political dogma

15. §5 In the phrase "*But immigration's tangled implications...*" the word **tangled** means

- a-complicated
- b-far-reaching
- c-debatable

16. §6 In the phrase "*I'm very liberal on a lot of issues*" the word **liberal** means

- a-conservative
- b-broad-minded
- c-narrow-minded

17. §8: In the phrase “*have rigged the political systems of the United States and Mexico*” **rigged** means
a-made rigorous
b-transformed
c-manipulated

18. §8: In the phrase “*as a tool for suppressing wages and labor unions*” **suppressing** means
a-eliminating
b-regulating
c-reducing

19. §9: In the phrase “*are ‘pandering’ to Hispanic voters*” **pandering to** means
a-working hand in hand with
b-trying to please
c-ignoring

20. §12 In the phrase “*those protections have been largely stripped away over the years*” the words **stripped away** mean
a-reinforced
b-removed
c-distributed

2ème partie: Expression écrite (20 points)

Instructions pour la 2ème partie : Exposez en anglais vos réflexions argumentées sur le sujet proposé ci-dessous. Ecrivez votre réponse au verso de la grille de réponse des questions de la 1^{ère} partie. (140 mots minimum, 150 mots maximum.) Indiquez le nombre de mots en bas de la page.

Answer the following question:

Should the debate about illegal immigration be a debate about ‘civil rights’?