מקיף ה' אשדוד
בי"ס על-יסודי ומכללה לטכנאים ולהנדסאים

Name: _____ **Class:** _____ **Date:** _____

TEST- 1ST TERM/ 2ND QUARTER

Reading (50 points)

A Read the article.

THE LONGEST, THE LOWEST AND THE DRIEST

[1] You might know that Mount Everest holds a record. It is the highest mountain in the world. But do you know about any other places in the world that hold records?

[2] The longest river in the world is the Nile River. It starts in the center of Africa, continues through ten countries, and flows[1] into the Mediterranean Sea. Ninety-five percent of the people in Egypt[2] live close to the Nile. They drink the water from the river and catch fish. The Nile is full of fish and other animals. Farmers live next to the river because the ground is good for growing food.

[3] The lowest place on Earth is the Dead Sea, between Israel and Jordan. It is 420 meters below sea level[3]. The Jordan River flows into the Dead Sea but no water flows out. That is why the Dead Sea is very salty. Fish cannot live in the water, people cannot drink the water, and food does not grow nearby. Many tourists go there for a vacation because the weather is warm most of the year. Another reason tourists visit the Dead Sea is that it helps them feel better.

[4] The driest place in the world is the Atacama Desert[4] in South America. Only one millimeter of rain falls each year in the center of the desert. Some places in the Atacama Desert never get any rain at all.

[5] Are you interested in finding out more about places in the world that hold records? You can read about these and other extreme places at guinnessworldrecords.com.

[1]flows זורם / يجري
[2]Egypt מצרים / مصر
[3]sea level גובה פני הים / مستوى سطح البحر
[4]desert מדבר / بادية، صحراء

B Answer the questions about the article.

בס"ד

מקיף ה' אשדוד

בי"ס על-יסודי ומכללה לטכנאים ולהנדסאים

Name: _____ **Class:** _____ **Date:** _____

1 In paragraph 1 we learn that Mount Everest is … . (6 points)

a. a place that holds a record
b. a small mountain
c. a place in Africa
d. a mountain near the Nile River

2. Which TWO facts do we learn about the Nile River?
(paragraph 2) (2 x 5 = 10 points)

a. how wide the river is
b. how many countries the river flows through
c. why farmers live near the river
d. what food farmers grow there
e. where other people live in Egypt

3 How low is the Dead Sea? (paragraph 3) (6 points)

.....

4 Complete the sentence. (paragraph 3) (6 points)

The Dead Sea is salty because ..... .

5 Why do tourists go to the Dead Sea on vacation? (2 x 5 = 10 points)
Give TWO reasons. (paragraph 3)

1. .....
2. .....

6 Write T (true) or F (false). (paragraph 4) (3 x 2 = 6 points)

…… 1. It often rains in the Atacama Desert.
…… 2. The Atacama Desert is the driest place in the world.
…… 3. Some parts of the desert are wetter than others.

7 Where can we read more about places that hold records? (paragraph 5) (6 points)

.....

GOOD LUCK!

אזור ח', הרותם 31, ת.ד. 3527 טל' 08-8551234 פקס – 08-8543076