

Devoir surveillé – Espace public : libertés, droits et devoirs

Axe culturel 2 — Espace privé et espace public : libertés civiles, droits fondamentaux et devoirs citoyens dans le monde anglophone (programme de Tle LVA)

Durée : 120 min – Sans document – Sur 20 points · Anglais (LVA) Terminale

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Les réponses doivent être rédigées et justifiées. Soigne l'orthographe et la présentation.

Exercice 1 – Compréhension écrite — Maple Square

(4 pts)

Read the text carefully, then answer the four questions in English, in full sentences. — Every Saturday morning, Maple Square is the noisiest place in Brentwood. A retired teacher sets up a folding table and argues about housing; a choir sings; students from the sixth-form college hand out leaflets on climate policy. For thirty years, nobody needed permission to speak there. Last month, the town council changed its mind. Citing complaints about litter and noise, it voted to require a permit, applied for two weeks in advance, for any gathering of more than twenty people. Amara Okafor, seventeen, was one of the first to object. "A square where you must ask permission to speak is no longer a public square," she told the local paper. "Protest is rarely convenient. That is the whole point of it." Not everyone agrees. Mr Whitelock, who has run the bookshop on the corner since 1998, supports the new rule. "I believe in free speech," he says, "but I also believe in being able to open my door on a Saturday. Rights come with duties." The council insists that no permit will ever be refused on political grounds. Amara is not reassured. Her group has collected 4,000 signatures and is preparing a legal challenge, arguing that a two-week delay makes it impossible to respond quickly to any decision the town takes.

- a) a) Say what change the town council has decided and give the two reasons it puts forward. (1 pt)
- b) b) Explain in your own words why Amara Okafor opposes the new rule. (1 pt)
- c) c) Mr Whitelock says he believes in free speech. What does his position reveal about the tension between rights and duties? (1 pt)
- d) d) Explain the phrase "Protest is rarely convenient. That is the whole point of it." (1 pt)

Exercice 2 – Lexique de l'espace public

(4 pts)

Complétez chaque phrase par le mot anglais qui convient, sans le traduire.

- a) a) Freedom of speech is a civil ____, whereas the right to vote is a civil ____. (1 pt)
- b) b) The group filed a legal challenge and now plans to ____ the council in court. (1 pt)
- c) c) The 2013 revelations of a ____ exposed the scale of mass surveillance in the United States. (1 pt)
- d) d) Campaigners accused the new bill of ____ against young people. (1 pt)

Exercice 3 – Tournures d'analyse

(4 pts)

Réécrivez ou complétez chaque phrase pour en faire une phrase d'analyse correcte.

- a) a) Complétez : « ____ to Amara Okafor, the permit system silences spontaneous protest. » (1 pt)
- b) b) Reformulez sans employer to say : « The journalist says that the council was wrong. » (1 pt)
- c) c) Complétez : « This article ____ the issue of who controls public space. » (1 pt)
- d) d) Reliez les deux points de vue en une phrase employant by contrast. (1 pt)

Exercice 4 – Repères du monde anglophone*(4 pts)*

Répondez en une phrase complète en anglais, en donnant la date quand elle est demandée.

- a) a) Which amendment to the US Constitution protects freedom of speech, and in what year was it ratified? (1 pt)
- b) b) What did the Civil Rights Act achieve, and when was it passed? (1 pt)
- c) c) Name one British movement that fought for the right to vote and give the name of its best-known leader. (1 pt)
- d) d) Why are the 1969 Stonewall riots considered a turning point? (1 pt)

Exercice 5 – Expression écrite*(4 pts)*

The town council of Brentwood has opened a public consultation on the Maple Square permit. Write your contribution in English, in about 180 words.

- a) a) Prenez clairement position pour ou contre le système de permis dès la première phrase. (1 pt)
- b) b) Appuyez votre position sur un repère précis du monde anglophone, daté et nommé. (1 pt)
- c) c) Concédez un argument au camp adverse, puis réfutez-le, en employant au moins deux connecteurs (however, by contrast, it is worth noting that, arguably). (1 pt)
- d) d) Concluez en reliant explicitement rights et duties, en employant au moins trois termes du chapitre. (1 pt)

Bon courage !