

BACCALAURÉAT TECHNOLOGIQUE

SESSION 2007

ANGLAIS

LV 1

Séries SMS – STI – STL	Coefficient : 2
STG spécialité "Gestion des systèmes d'information"	

STG spécialités :	"Communication et gestion des ressources humaines"	Coefficient : 3
	"Comptabilité et finances d'entreprise"	
	"Mercatique"	

Durée : 2 heures

L'usage de la calculatrice et du dictionnaire n'est pas autorisé.

Barème appliqué pour la correction :

	STG	SMS – STI - STL
Compréhension	10	12
Expression	10	8

Dès que ce sujet vous est remis, assurez-vous qu'il est complet.
Ce sujet comporte 4 pages numérotées de 1/4 à 4/4.

Tears of the Giraffe

- 1 He introduced himself, as was polite, and then he turned to Mma Ramotswe.
‘This lady is now engaged to me,’ he said. ‘She is Mma Ramotswe, and I wish to buy her a ring for the engagement.’ He paused. ‘A diamond ring [...].’
- 5 ‘You are a fortunate man,’ said the jeweller. ‘Not every man can find such a cheerful, fat woman to marry. There are many thin, hectoring women around today. This one will make you very happy.’
- Mr J.L.B. Matekoni acknowledged the compliment. ‘Yes,’ he said. ‘I am a lucky man.’
- 10 ‘And now you must buy her a very big ring,’ went on the jeweller. ‘A fat woman cannot wear a tiny ring.’
- Mr J.L.B. Matekoni looked down at his shoes.
‘I was thinking of a medium-sized ring,’ he said. ‘I am not a rich man.’
- 15 ‘I know who you are,’ said the jeweller. ‘You are the man who owns Tlokweng Road Speedy Motors. You can afford a good ring.’
- Mma Ramotswe decided to intervene. ‘I do not want a big ring,’ she said firmly. ‘I am not a lady to wear a big ring. I was hoping for a small ring.’
- The jeweller threw her a glance. He seemed almost annoyed by her presence – as if this were a transaction between men, like a transaction over cattle, and she was interfering.
- 20 ‘I’ll show you some rings,’ he said, bending down to slide a drawer out of the counter below him. ‘Here are some good diamond rings. [...].’
- Mma Ramotswe shook her head.
‘These are too big,’ she said. ‘I told you that I wanted a smaller ring. Perhaps we shall have to go to another shop.’
- 25 The jeweller sighed. ‘I have some others,’ he said. ‘I have small rings as well.’
- He slipped the tray back into its place and extracted another. The rings on this one were considerably smaller. Mma Ramotswe pointed to a ring in the middle of the tray.
‘I like that one,’ she said. ‘Let me see that one.’
- 30 ‘It is not very big,’ said the jeweller. ‘A diamond like that may easily be missed. People may not notice it.’
- ‘I don’t care,’ said Mma Ramotswe. ‘This diamond is going to be for me. It is nothing to do with other people.’
- 35 Mr J.L.B. Matekoni felt a surge of pride as she spoke. This was a woman he admired, a woman who believed in the old Botswana values and who had no time for showiness.

Alexander McCall Smith,
Adapted from *Tears of the Giraffe*, Abacus, 2000.

GENERAL COMPREHENSION

1- The text is an extract from

- a- a play
- b- a novel
- c- a telephone conversation

2- The scene takes place in

- a- a garage
- b- a shop
- c- a pub

3- The conversation is between

- a- one woman and two men
- b- two women and one man
- c- three men

4- Fill in the gaps using words from the text (one blank = one word).

Mr Matekoni was going to ① Mma Ramotswe. He wished to ② her a(n) ③ ring. The jeweller wanted to sell them a ④ ring whereas Mma Ramotswe preferred a ⑤ one. Mr Matekoni ⑥ her for this choice.

DETAILED COMPREHENSION

A- CHOOSE THE CORRECT ANSWER

1- '*The lady is now engaged to me*' (1.2) means:

- a- She is a member of my family.
- b- She works for my company.
- c- She is going to marry me.

2- '*You can afford a good ring*' (1.14) means:

- a- You have to buy a good ring.
- b- You are rich enough to buy a good ring.
- c- You are too poor to buy a good ring.

3- '*Mma Ramotswe shook her head*' (1.22) shows that:

- a- She approved.
- b- She disapproved.
- c- She was not sure.

B- THE CHARACTERS

1- Mma Ramotswe

a- Pick out three adjectives that best describe Mma Ramotswe:
strong depressed fat showy thin frank

b- Pick out two sentences where Mma Ramotswe shows that she is determined.

2- Mr J.L.B. Matekoni:

a- Pick out two sentences from the text expressing Mr Matekoni's feelings towards Mma Ramotswe.

b- Pick out one sentence showing he is embarrassed.

3- The jeweller:

a- Pick out two sentences from the text expressing the jeweller's feelings towards Mma Ramotswe.

b- Pick out one sentence showing the jeweller wants to sell a ring which can be seen by everybody.

C- FIND IN THE TEXT SYNONYMS FOR THE FOLLOWING WORDS OR EXPRESSIONS:

- a- lucky
- b- very small
- c- looked at her quickly
- d- showed with a finger

EXPRESSION POUR LES SÉRIES STG.

Write 100 words on each topic (A and B). (N'oubliez pas d'indiquer sur votre copie le nombre de mots).

A- Imagine the conversation between Mma Ramotswe and Mr Matekoni after they leave the jeweller.

B- How much importance do you attach to appearances and people's opinion about you? Give examples to justify your point of view.

EXPRESSION POUR LES SÉRIES SMS – STI – STL. (N'oubliez pas d'indiquer sur votre copie le nombre de mots).

Write 150 words on one topic (choose A or B).

A- Imagine the conversation between Mma Ramotswe and Mr Matekoni after they leave the jeweller.

B- Mr Matekoni sends a letter to his parents announcing his marriage and introducing his wife. Write this letter.