# **BACCALAURÉAT TECHNOLOGIQUE**

## **SESSION 2019**

# **ANGLAIS LV1**

Séries: STI2D, STD2A, STL, ST2S

Durée de l'épreuve : 2 heures - Coefficient : 2

Série: STMG, STHR

Durée de l'épreuve : 2 heures - Coefficient : 3

## L'usage des calculatrices et de tout dictionnaire est interdit.

## Barème appliqué pour la correction

	TOUTES SÉRIES TECHNOLOGIQUES	
COMPRÉHENSION	10 points	
EXPRESSION	10 points	

Dès que le sujet est remis, assurez-vous qu'il est complet. Ce sujet comporte 5 pages numérotées de 1/5 à 5/5.

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## **DOCUMENT 1**

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The Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. remains frozen in time for many Americans. Seared into our consciousness is the man who battled Southern segregation.

We see him standing before hundreds of thousands of followers in the nation's capital in 1963, proclaiming his dream for racial harmony. We see him marching, arms locked with fellow protesters, through the battleground of Alabama in 1965.

But on the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his death, it is worth noting how his message and his priorities had evolved by the time he was shot on that balcony at the Lorraine Motel in Memphis in 1968. Dr King was confronting many challenges that remain with us today.

He was battling racism in the North then, not just in the South. He was pushing the government to address poverty, income equality, structural racism and segregation in cities like Boston and Chicago. He was also calling for an end to a war that was draining the national treasury of funds needed to finance a progressive domestic agenda.

This may not be the Dr King that many remember. Yet, his words resonate powerfully – and, perhaps, uncomfortably – today in a country that remains deeply divided on issues of race and class. "All the issues that he raised toward the end of his life are as contemporary now as they were then," said Taylor Branch, the Pulitzer-Prize winning historian who had written several books about Dr King. [...]

What would Dr King make of America today?

Historians believe he would marvel at the expansion of rights for women and the L.G.B.T.Q. community, the growth of the black middle class and the number of black elected leaders, including America's first black president.

He would also see a country beset<sup>3</sup> by many of the problems he had urged Americans to focus on during the last years of his life.

"I think we should have listened to him then," Mr Branch said. "We really ought to listen to him now".

Rachel L Swarms, www.nytimes.com, 4 April 2018 (adapted)

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Yes, we face some extraordinary challenges. Economic inequality and a changing climate. Terrorism and mass migration. The rise of nationalist thought, xenophobic sentiment, and a populist politics that too often pits "us" against "them" – a politics that threatens to turn good people away from the kind of collective action that has always driven human progress.

These challenges are real. They'll take a long time to solve. But that shouldn't discourage any of us from the belief that we can make a difference. [...]

If you are skeptical of such optimism, let me say something that may sound controversial. By almost every measure, America is better, and the world is better, than it was 50 years ago, or 30 years ago, or even 10 years ago.

I know that statement doesn't seem to jibe with<sup>1</sup> the steady stream of bad news and cynicism we're fed on television and Twitter. But it's true. Think about it. I was born at a time, for example, when women and people of color were systematically excluded from big chunks<sup>2</sup> of American life. Today, women and minorities have risen up the ranks in business, politics, and everywhere else, even if there are still miles to travel, and laws and hearts and minds to change.

Just since I graduated from college, crime rates, teen birth rates, dropout rates, the share of folks living in poverty have dropped, in some cases dramatically. The share of Americans with college education -- that's up. Despite a massive global recession, in the final year of my presidency, the uninsured rate reached a new low, and the median household income hit a new high.

Worldwide, our progress is even more impressive. [...]

All of this is why, when I speak to young people, I often ask: if you had to choose one moment in history in which you could be born, and you didn't know ahead of time who you were going to be – what nationality; what gender; what race; whether you'd be rich or poor – what moment would you choose? You'd choose right now.

Obama's speech at the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, 20 September 2017 (adapted)

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## I. COMPRÉHENSION (10 points)

TOUTES les réponses doivent être reportées sur votre copie.

## **DOCUMENT 1**

**1.** Copy the table and complete it with elements from Reverend Martin Luther King Jr's life. Quote from the text.

	Date	Place
"I Have a Dream" speech		
Protest march		
Death		

- **2.** True or false? Justify with a quote from the text.
  - a. Dr King fought against racism all over the USA.
  - b. His only fight was against racism.
  - c. The government was using money to finance a war instead of fighting inequality and segregation.
- **3.** Focus on the journalist's opinion in the fifth paragraph.
  - a. Give the two problems that still exist in American society.
  - b. Quote one word showing how some American people feel about them.
- **4.** Dr King would be happy to see the evolution of American society. Quote the different changes that have taken place.
- **5.** What does the journalist mean when he says: "He would also see a country beset by many of the problems he had urged Americans to focus on during the last years of his life." (I.22-23)?

Choose and copy the right answer.

- a. All the problems Dr King fought against have disappeared.
- b. Not all the problems Dr King fought against have disappeared.
- **6.** Focus on the end of the text (l. 24-25). Explain in your own words what Mr Branch's opinion is. (10-20 words).

## **DOCUMENT 2**

7. Choose the 2 adjectives that best describe President Obama's state of mind.

hopeful / scared / sad / skeptical / optimistic / pessimistic

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- **8.** Focus on paragraph 1 and choose the topics mentioned by Barack Obama. Justify your answer with a quote from the text.
  - a. Disparity in revenue
  - b. Women's rights
  - c. Racism
  - d. Education
  - e. Environmental issues
- **9.** Focus on the second paragraph. Explain in your own words what President Obama means when he says: "These challenges are real. They'll take a long time to solve. But that shouldn't discourage any of us from the belief that we can make a difference" (I.6-7). Write about 20-30 words.
- **10.** Barack Obama is addressing young people in the last paragraph (l. 23-26). What message does he want to convey? Explain in your own words. (about 30 words).

## **DOCUMENTS 1 AND 2**

- **11.** Choose the sentence that best summarizes both documents:
  - a. Progress has been made but difficulties still exist in American society.
  - b. Both documents explain the future of the USA will be better.
  - c. The documents deal with the economic power of the USA.

## II. EXPRESSION (10 points)

Afin de respecter l'anonymat de votre copie, vous ne devez pas signer votre composition, citer votre nom, celui d'un camarade ou celui de votre établissement.

Vous traiterez l'UN des deux sujets.

1. "If you had to choose one moment in history in which you could be born [...], what moment would you choose?"

Justify your choice. (150 words minimum).

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2. You want to join a volunteer group in the USA next summer (for example working with homeless people, children with disabilities, elderly people, protecting animals or the environment, etc). Write an email to <a href="mailto:info@GoOverseas.com">info@GoOverseas.com</a> and explain what actions you are planning on doing and why. (150 words minimum).

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