

# BACCALAURÉAT TECHNOLOGIQUE

SESSION 2015

## ANGLAIS LV1

*Séries : STI2D, STD2A, STL, ST2S*  
Durée de l'épreuve : 2 heures - Coefficient : 2

*Série : STMG*  
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.**

## DOCUMENT 1

*Katie has made an important decision...*

My mother's voice rang in my ears. 'Honey, I just don't think this little trip is a good idea. You *hate* to be alone. Why do you want to go halfway around the world to some godforsaken country all by yourself?'

5 I'd tried to explain that it was just that – the fact that I'd never done anything *remotely* spontaneous before, that I hadn't so much as had lunch by myself in the six years since graduating from college, but she hadn't understood. Neither had anyone else.

'You're going *where*?' My father had asked when I announced my plan during one of my mandatory, bimonthly visits to their house in Westchester, finally looking up from the *Wall Street Journal* for what must have been the first time in my adult life.

10 'Vietnam. For a backpacking trip. There will be a group of eight, people from all over the world, and we'll have a leader who will take us through the country. I think it'll be amazing,' I said, not a little defensively, trying to convince myself as much as him.

15 'Humph,' he exhaled, and buried his face back between the pages. 'I spent some of the best years of my life trying to avoid that hellhole and now my kid is paying to go. Pretty damn ironic if you ask me.' End of discussion.

Their doubts made it all the more appealing, of course. You don't have to be some angsty<sup>1</sup> teenager to find enormous satisfaction in pissing off your parents, that much was sure.

20 But I did have to admit, this was not what I had pictured when I'd carefully packed my cutest sundresses and shopped for weeks for hiking boots with the perfect combination of ruggedness and femininity.

Lauren Weisberger, *The Bamboo Confessions*, 2004, (p.60, p.62, p.64)

1. angsty: mal dans sa peau

## DOCUMENT 2

### **British sisters describe how they swam for eight hours to reach safety after their Indonesian ferry sank**

Two sisters who were on board a ferry that sank off a remote Indonesian island have revealed how they spent ten hours clinging to the wreckage<sup>1</sup> before swimming for eight hours through shark infested waters to reach safety.

Backpackers Katherine and Alice Ostojic from Stevenage had been on their way to the island of Komodo on a four day cruise when their vessel struck a coral reef in the middle of the night and sank.

Katherine, 21, who is studying aerospace engineering at Bristol University, and her younger sister Alice, who is on her gap year, were thrown into the water with 21 other passengers and crew.

But with no working radio on board to call for help the two girls were forced to stay with the wreckage and hope any passing boats would spot them and come to their rescue.

Eventually after ten hours sat on the semi submerged roof of the boat in blistering sunshine with nothing to drink, the pair decided their best chance of survival would be to swim for the nearest island, which was five miles away.

In an astonishing feat of stamina and determination, Katherine and Alice swam for eight hours through treacherous waters to reach an uninhabited volcanic island.

Once there they managed to alert some local fishermen who came to their aid and were able to deliver them to safety on the nearby island of Sumbawa.

But despite their harrowing ordeal<sup>2</sup>, the girls insisted on playing down the experience, simply telling their mother they were fine "having swum to the shore".

Joan Ostojic, 55, said she was very proud of the way her daughters had coped with their experience and said it was typical of them to play it cool.

She explained how Katherine had travelled to South East Asia to join her younger sister who was on the last few months of her gap year.

Alice Philipson and Martin Evans, *USA Today*, 19 Aug 2014

1. wreckage: les débris de l'épave

2. harrowing ordeal: épreuve pénible

## I. COMPRÉHENSION (10 points)

### 1. DOCUMENTS 1 AND 2

Choose the right answer.

Both documents are about

- a. catastrophes.
- b. the risks of travelling to foreign countries.
- c. planning a trip with friends.

### 2. DOCUMENT 1

Choose the three statements which are **RIGHT** and justify your choices by quoting from the document.

- a. Katie has decided to move away from home.
- b. Katie has decided to go on a trip to a foreign country.
- c. The mother doesn't think her daughter is capable of travelling.
- d. The father is surprised.
- e. She is going to travel alone.

### 3. DOCUMENT 1

Explain in your own words the two main reasons why Katie has made this important decision. (30 words)

### 4. DOCUMENT 1

Compare Katie's vision of Vietnam with her father's vision. (30 words)

### 5. DOCUMENT 2

Give the following information about the two sisters: full name, age, nationality, occupation and reason for being in South-East Asia.

### 6. DOCUMENT 2

Put the following events into chronological order.

- A. The girls were thrown into the water with 21 other passengers and crew.
- B. They e-mailed their mum to inform and to reassure her.
- C. They swam for eight hours.
- D. They reached an uninhabited volcanic island.
- E. The girls' Indonesian ferry struck a coral reef.
- F. Fishermen rescued them and took them to the island of Sumbawa.

### 7. DOCUMENT 2

Pick out the four adjectives that best apply to the two sisters:

*brave / arrogant / humble / mature / absent-minded / immature / resourceful*

### 8. DOCUMENTS 1 AND 2

Compare and contrast the parents' feelings in both texts (50 words).

## II. EXPRESSION (10 points)

**Vous traiterez les DEUX sujets.**

1. Write the first e-mail that Katie sends to her parents from Vietnam. (80 words)

**ET**

2. You have decided to take a gap year in a foreign country. You try to convince your parents that this is a good idea. Write the conversation. (120 words)