CORRIGÉ - BAREME

Anglais LV1 série L

Sujet : E.L. Doctorow 'Ragtime' 1976

I. COMPREHENSION-EXPRESSION (60 + 80 = 140 pts)

1. **The text deals with a regular weekly event. Which one? Explain the situation.**
   - *Every Sunday, a black man comes to visit a white family.*
   - *He asks for a colored girl called Sarah.*
   - *He is probably in love with her and wants to win her heart.*

2 pts par item = 6 pts

2. **a) Introduce the visitor in your own words (name, physical appearance, occupation, place of residence).**
   - *He is called Coalhouse Walker Jr.*
   - *He is smart-looking and well-built.*
   - *He is a black man.*
   - *He is a professional pianist.*
   - *He lives in New York.*

   Bonus: *He is a member of the Jim Europe Clef Club Orchestra.*

1 pt par item = 5 pts (+ 1 pt bonus)

b) Describe his personality and social behaviour. Use the text to support your answer when possible.

- *He is polite.*
  "if he could please speak with Sarah" l.12-13. "He thanked her."l.27.
  1 pt (rephrasing) + 1 pt (citation)
- *He is patient and self-restrained.*
  l.32: "always turning away without complaint."
  1 pt (rephrasing) + 1 pt (citation)
- *He is well-behaved.*
  l.45: " He is well-spoken and conducts himself as a gentleman."
  l.51: "He was courteous and correct."
  1 pt (rephrasing) + 1 pt (citation)
- *He is self-confident in society.*
  l.48-49: "He suffered no embarrassment by being in the parlor with a cup and saucer in his hand".
  1 pt (rephrasing) + 1 pt (citation)
- *He is aware of his racial condition and so, he uses the back door.*
  l.9.10 and l.32: "always knocking at the backdoor".
  1 pt (rephrasing) + 1 pt (citation)
- *He is resolute and determined. He keeps coming back to see Sarah, even bringing flowers.* **1 pt**