

ΘΕΜΑ 1. ΚΑΤΑΝΟΗΣΗ ΓΡΑΠΤΟΥ ΛΟΓΟΥ

Read the text and choose the correct option (A, B or C) for items 1-10.

At the far end of a refugee camp in Kakuma stands alone a plastic make-shift hut, as if it has no care for what exists in the world. Mesfin, the owner, is also lonely; he lives by himself in an alien land. When he ponders what he is doing with his life or what is being done to him, Mesfin always ends up confused. He first fled his home country to the Sudan when the Marxist junta won state power and started to eliminate the so called reactionaries. He returned to Ethiopia when President Mengistu took his turn to flee the country and to join the refugees in Harare, and then the new Ethiopian Transitional Government came to power. He returned and stayed in the country long enough to see how fast Ethiopians were going "**from the frying pan into the fire**". Then he took off again, this time to Kenya. Born to run away as a rabbit at the first sight of a problem, he thought to himself silently. His long life as a refugee taught him tolerance. He hated remembering, sitting on his mat, counting the days that he had lived in the refugee camp, enduring the unendurable. He tolerated the police who behave as if they own the world, and demand so much when they see a refugee. He tolerated the workers of the humanitarian organisations, who think they know the needs of the refugees. And he also tolerated the hunger, the thirst, the cold and the sun which are intolerable. As he sat, **he prayed for his deliverance**. But he knows God is unfair in his treatment of individuals. The illogical God allows some creatures to wither away in a hot desert, in an alien land, while others are leading luxurious lives. Today, he doubts fairness.



(Words: 300)

- Mesfin lives in a
A. luxurious flat. B. small tent. C. temporary shelter.
- Mesfin
A. enjoys travelling. B. feels rather confused. C. has control of his life.
- Mesfin is from
A. Ethiopia. B. the Sudan. C. Kenya.
- Mesfin left his home country for
A. political reasons. B. economic reasons. C. employment reasons.
- The Marxist junta in Mesfin's country
A. was democratic. B. treated everyone equally. C. persecuted its opponents.
- In the text, the underlined phrase "**from the frying pan into the fire**" means
A. expecting a better future. B. getting burnt. C. experiencing difficulties.
- Mesfin doesn't like
A. sitting on a mat. B. living in a camp. C. asking for help.
- Mesfin finds it difficult to tolerate
A. severe weather conditions. B. living in a hut. C. unfair treatment.
- In the text, the underlined phrase '**he prayed for his deliverance**' means
A. he prayed for salvation. B. he prayed for fairness. C. he prayed for money.
- From the above text it seems that Mesfin is
A. optimistic. B. athletic. C. tolerant.

ΘΕΜΑ 2α. ΛΕΞΙΚΟΓΡΑΜΜΑΤΙΚΗ

Use the correct form of the following words (A-K) to complete the gaps (11-20) as in the example.

A.	fairness	B.	prayed	C.	creature	D.	reactionary	E.	silently
F.	humanitarian	G.	government	H.	count	I.	tolerate	J.	organization
K.	sanity								

EXAMPLE	It would be absolutely INSANE to try to go camping in this kind of weather!
11.	The liberal party has _____ the country for more than twenty years.
12.	In English grammar, some things are seen as a whole or mass. These are called _____ nouns because they cannot be separated or counted.
13.	The Red Cross's primary concern is to preserve and protect _____ life.
14.	It is well-known that _____ groups of citizens are more successful at changing the government's mind.
15.	The government should be concentrating on job _____, not on cutting benefits for the unemployed.
16.	We will not accept any kind of _____ treatment of individuals because of their race, sex, age or religion.
17.	Nothing disturbed the _____ of the night except for the faint rustling of leaves in the gentle breeze.
18.	We thought he had been killed, but thank God our _____ were answered when he got back home safe and sound.
19.	Running a marathon is a test of human _____. It actually demands a lot of physical effort and strength.
20.	There was an immediate _____ against the government's proposed tax increases.