

Read this text carefully then do the activities below.

A court in Germany has ruled that the video-sharing site "YouTube" is responsible for videos on its site that are posted illegally. The ruling said "YouTube" must do more to prevent posters uploading copyrighted music videos to the site. The case was brought to the courts by the royalty-collecting organization Gema, which represents over 64,000 German musicians and songwriters. Gema has been fighting YouTube in the courts since 2010. **The group** accuses "YouTube" of using music online without paying royalties to those who produced the tunes. "YouTube" may be forced to pay royalties for all the video clips on **its** site. This could prove extremely costly for Google, the owner of "YouTube."

The court said it did not consider "YouTube" to be the copyright violator, but the user who uploaded the songs. <u>It</u> said, however, that YouTube must implement stronger filters to block copyrighted material. YouTube representatives say <u>the site</u> is not responsible for what users post to it. They claim those who post copyrighted materials are at fault and that the YouTube site is simply a platform for sharing. A spokesman said, «We remain committed to finding a solution to the music licensing issue in Germany that will benefit artists, composers, authors, publishers and record labels, as well as the wider YouTube community." Currently, around 60 hours of videos are uploaded to the "YouTube" site every minute.

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A)COMPREHENSION (7pts)

1/ Choose the correct answer (a),(b) or (c) (0.5pt)

The text above is taken from a) a newspaper, (b) a magazine, (c) the internet.

- 2 /Say whether these sentences are true or false. (1.5pts)
 - a) The case of "You Tube" was brought to justice by Gema.
 - b) According to the court, "You Tube" is responsible for the videos uploaded on its site.
 - c) You tube belongs to Google.
- 3 /Answer the following questions according to the text. (2pts)
 - a) Why has "Gema" been fighting "You Tube" in the courts?
 - b) Whom did the court consider as copyright violators?

4/ What or who do the underlined words refer to in the text? (2pts)

a) the group 1\§ b) its 1\§ c) it 2\§ d) the site 2\§

<u>5/ In which paragraph is it mentioned that "You Tube" may have to pay money for all the video clips on its site?</u> (1pt)



B) TEXT EXPLORATION (7pts)

1/ Find in the text words or phrases that are closet in meaning to the following. (1.5pts)

a) to stop $1\S =$

b) expensive $1\S =$

c) at present $2\S =$

2/ Complete the following chart. (1.5pts)

verb	noun	adjective
produce		
		strong
benefit		

3/ Complete sentence (b) so that it means the same as sentence (a) (1pt)

1.a	Thousands of	videos are	uploaded	every minute	by "You	Tube"	users.

- 1.b "You Tube" users
- 2.a John regrets having uploaded a video onto You Tube.
- 2.b John wishes.

4 / Join the pairs of sentences below with the connectors in brackets .Make changes where (necessary. (1pt)

a copyrighted material is popular among Internet users . YouTube receives a lot of videos.(sothat)

b. "You Tube" will block copyrighted material. It will gain more respect. (providing that)

5/ Fill in the gaps with the following words. (1pt)

a. buy b. sites c. illegal d. consequences

The music industry has announced a campaign againstfile-sharing. It calls on music fans totheir music online legitimately, rather than risk the legalof illegal file-sharing. There are now more than one hundred legal online musicin Europe offering a total of over one million music tracks.

6/ Classify the following words according to the pronunciation of their final /S/. (1pt)

	a. V ideos	b. responsibilitie	es c. services d. artists		
	/S/		/Z/	/IZ/	
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II) WRITTEN EXPRESSION (6pts)

Choose one of the following topics.

<u>Topic1</u>Suppose you are working in a company where the moral values are not respected. Write a letter to Mr. the minister in which you describe the situation. Use the following notes (child labour, false accounting, no safety measures, unhealthy conditions, bad pay..).

Topic2: write a short paragraph about counterfeiting and its consequences.



A) **COMPREHENSION**

B) 1/The text above is taken from the internet.

C) 2 / true or false

a) true b).false c) true

3/Answer the following questions according to the text.

- a) "Gema"has been fighting "You Tube" in the courts of using music online without paying royalties to those who produced the tunes.
- b) the court considered the users who uploaded the songs as violators copyright

4/ Refering words in the text

- a) the group 1§ German musicians and songwriters.
- b) its 1§ Youtube"
- c) it 2§ the court
- d) the site 2§ "Youtube"
- 5/ In paragraph 1

B) TEXT EXPLORATION

1/ Find in the text words or phrases that are closet in meaning to the following.

a) to stop 1§= **prevent**

b) expensive 1§ = **costly**

c) at present2§ = currently

2/ Complete the following chart.

verb	noun	adjective	
produce	Production /product	productive	
strengthen	strength	strong	
benefit	benefit	beneficial	

3/ Complete sentence (b) so that it means the same as sentence (a)

- 1.b "You Tube" users upload thousands of videos every minute.
- 2.b John wishes he hadn't uploaded a video onto YouTube.

4 / Join the pairs of sentences below with the connectors in brackets .Make changes where necessary.

- a. copyrighted material is so popular among Internet users that YouTube receives a lot of videos.
- b. Providing that "You Tube" blocks copyrighted material, It will gain more respect.

5/ Fill in the gaps with the following words.

a. buy b. sites c. illegal d. consequences

The music industry has announced a campaign against **illegal** file-sharing. It calls on music fans to buy their music online legitimately, rather than risk the legal **consequences** of illegal file-sharing. There are now more than one hundred legal online music **sites** in Europe offering a total of over one million music tracks.

6/ Classify the following words according to the pronunciation of their final /S/.

a. Videos b. responsibilities c. services d. artists

/S/	/Z/	/IZ/
artists	Vedeos/ responsibilities	services

II) WRITTEN EXPRESSION

Part Two:	Written Expression			
	Topic one: -fo	orm: 3,5 pts	-content: 2.5pts	
	Topic two: -fo	orm: 3pts	-content: 3 pts	