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SECTION TWO:

READING COMREHENSION

The greatest challenge of the 21st century is to provide every human being on the planet with a long, healthy, and fulfilling life, free of poverty and full of opportunities to participate in the life of their community. The Millennium World Summits have offered the world leaders repetitive occasions to reflect on their common destiny, as they find themselves more interconnected than ever before. Together, they can identify and act on the challenges ahead, if they share a renewed sense of mission. Their co-operation can make a real and measurable difference to people's lives in the new century.

An open and co-operative system for an international world has become a prerequisite. This system starts to work, and makes it possible for globalization to extend. Its benefits are obvious: faster growth, higher living standards, and new opportunities. Yet repercussions have begun, because these benefits are so unequally distributed, and because the global market is not yet strengthened by rules based on shared social objectives. As a result, we now live in a global world. Responding to this shift is a central challenge for world leaders today.

In this new world, groups and individuals more and more often interact directly across frontiers, without involving the State. This has its dangers. Crime, narcotics, terrorism, pollution, disease, weapons, refugees and migrants: all move back and forth faster and in greater numbers than in the past. People feel threatened by events far away. They are also more aware of injustice and brutality in distant countries, and expect States to do something about them. But new technologies also create opportunities for mutual understanding and common action. If we are to get the best out of globalization and avoid the worst, we must learn to govern better, and how to govern better together.

That does not mean world government or the eclipse of nation states. On the contrary, States need to be strengthened. And they can draw strength from each other, by acting together within common institutions based on shared rules and values. These institutions must reflect the realities of the time, including the distribution of power. And they must serve as an arena for states to co-operate with non-state actors, including global companies. In many cases they need to be complemented by less formal policy networks, which can respond more quickly to the changing global agenda.

The past half-century has seen unprecedented economic gains. But 1.2 billion people have to live on less than \$1 a day. The combination of extreme poverty with extreme inequality between countries, and often also within them, is an affront to our common humanity. It also makes many other problems worse, including conflict. And the world's population is still rising rapidly, with the increase concentrated in the poorest countries. World leaders must act to reduce extreme poverty by half, in every part of the world, before 2015. They have to achieve sustained growth, generate opportunities for the young, promote health and combat HIV/AIDS, upgrade the slums, give higher priority to reduce poverty, build digital bridges, and demonstrate global solidarity. Rich countries must further open their markets to poor countries' products, must provide deeper and faster debt relief, and must give more and better focused development assistance. Ridding the world of the scourge of extreme poverty is a challenge to every one of us. We must not fail to meet it.

We now face an urgent need to secure the freedom of future generations to sustain their lives on this planet – and we are failing to do it. Now, we must revive the debate and prepare to act decisively to cope with climate change and implement the 1997 Kyoto Protocol, confront the water crisis, defend the soil, preserve forests, fisheries, and biodiversity, build a new ethic of leadership by educating the public, and integrate the environment into economic policies.

Peoples, as well as Governments, must commit themselves to a new ethic of conservation and leadership. To achieve these goals, they have to share six values, which are of particular relevance to the new century: Freedom; Equity and Solidarity; Tolerance; Non-Violence; Respect for Nature; and Shared Responsibility. Success and development rely on their determination to act on those values.

COMPREHENSION

Task One: What do these words refer to in the article?

1. **they** (line 5) 3. it (line 28) 2. them (line 17) 4. their (line 45)

<u>Task Two</u>: These statements are contradicted in the article. Find the ideas and correct them.

1. In this era of globalization, more and more people enjoy security and justice.

3. World leaders have succeeded in preserving freedom for future generations.

- 2. To achieve economic welfare, leaders should monopolize power.
- Task Three: Fill in the following chart with ideas from the article. Do it in note form.

The role of leaders in developing countries:	The role of leaders in developed countries:	

<u>Task Four</u>: Complete the following sentences according to your understanding of the article.

 Not c 	only leaders	but cope with climate change as well
2. Peop	olesbenefit fı	om globalization unless

Task Five: COMMENTARY.

Answer the following questions in your own words. Write a coherent paragraph of at least 100 words for each.

- 1. What seems to block development in poor countries? Write a paragraph.
- 2. "The Internet has led to some negative cultural changes in our society." Comment on this quotation with focus on negative effects.

SECTION THREE: "VERSION"

Translate the following sentences into French

- 1. If we are to get the best out of globalization and avoid the worst, we must learn to govern better, and how to govern better together.
- 2. The combination of extreme poverty with extreme inequality between countries, and often also within them, is an affront to our common humanity.
- 3. Ridding the world of the scourge of extreme poverty is a challenge to every one of us. We must not fail to meet it.
- 4. Success and development rely on their determination to act on those values.

SECTION ONE: MULTIPLE-CHOICE QUESTIONS

Use the Answer-sheet

1. Water is becoming so scarce	e in many parts of the globe. N	Mexico, drastically, is	consumer of mineral water.		
a. the largest world's second	b. the second's world largest	c. the world's largest second	d. the world's second largest		
2. In our world of 6 billion peop	le, is a world out of l	oalance, one billion own 80	percent of global GDP,		
while another billion struggle to	survive on less than a dollar	a day.			
a. that		c. who	d. whose		
3. In the world of today, we - rich and poor alike - are linked in so many ways by trade and finance,					
by migration, environ			,		
a. not only / as well	b. only not / but too	c. not / but as well	d. not only / but also		
4. Global poll conducted earlier			see the connection between		
poverty and stability. In some of	ases, young people see it	their leaders.			
a. more clearly than	b. more clearer than	c. the more clearer than	d. the more clearly than		
5. It took us a while until we	in a common effort to	make a better world.			
a. are used to join	b. used to joining	c. were used to join	d. were used to joining		
6 together earlier, work	d leaders will not leave greate	r and more intractable prob	olems for future generations.		
a. Had they acted	b. Did they act	c. If they acted	d. If they act		
7. Since 2001, Morocco has be	en experiencing higher econo	omic growth (4.8% in avera	ge), positive		
climatic conditions and a slight	rebound of the industrial sector	or.			
a. because of	b. that is why	c. thanks to	d. so as to		
8. H5N1 has caused the larges	t number of detected cases of	f severe disease and death	n in humans cases		
have occurred in previously he	althy children and young adult	S.			
a. The more	b. The most	c. Most	d. Most of		
9. It was later admitted that the	information from ur	reliable sources.			
a. has been obtained	b. had been obtained	c. was obtained	d. obtained		
10. They will choose from five	participants,has yet	proved his worth.			
a. none of whom	b. neither of them	c. one of whom	d. one of them		
11. I'd rather you all y	your free time in chatting.				
a. won't spend	b. not spend	c. don't spend	d. didn't spend		
12. If I how it worked	, I you what to do rig	ht now.			
a. know / will tell	b. knew / could tell	c. know / tell	d. knew / could have told		
13. He advanced cor	vincing arguments that he wa	s elected unanimously.			
a. what a	b. such a	c. what	d. such		
14. The Chinese wish the othe	r countries the survi	val of the panda. It is still in	danger of extinction.		
a. ensure	b. have ensured	c. ensured	d. had ensured		
15. If we the 10 o'clo	ck train, we there till	after nine.			
a. missed / will get	b. were to miss / wouldn't get	c. miss / get	d. had missed / wouldn't get		
16. Oil prices have increased .	ten percent since las	t summer.	_		
a. with	b. to	c. by	d. from		
17. To succeed research, future engineers should improve their mastery of English					
a. in doing	b. doing	c. to do	d. at doing		
18 they do, Morocca	in companies have to compete	e ferociously with internation	nal firms.		
a. However what	b. No sooner what	c. Although what	d. No matter what		
19. Many people do not agree	with their foreign policy, and .	, I presume.			
a. so are you	b. nor do you	c. so do you	d. neither you		
20. We had better be	fore it is late.				
a. to hurry	b. hurry	c. hurrying	d. hurried		
21. The last two years were the	e most difficult period I				
a. had ever experienced	b. have never experienced	c. haven't experienced ye	et. d. hadn't ever		
experienced	·				
22. Little to redress the	he huge disparity in wealth be	tween the affluent city dwe	llers and their largely		
impoverished rural counterparts		•			
a. they have done	b. they did	c. have they done	d. did they do		
23. These youngsters are not accustomed orders.					
a. to obey	b. to obeying	c. at obey	d. at obeying		
24. It's high time you		st of this exam.			
a. will finish	b. finish	c. have finished	d. finished		