

# <u>TEXT</u>

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Justinian and an important monument for both Byzantine and Ottoman empires. It is one of the seven wonders and one of the most amazing mosques in Istanbul. Its construction began in 537 and finished in 1453.

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museum and recently it serves again as a mosque in Istanbul, Turkey. It had been the biggest church in the world for almost 1000 years. Hagia Sophia has changed the history of architecture, only the best materials were used for its construction such as mosaics, marble floors and walls made of gold. The remarkable feature of Hagia Sofia is the vast dome which is about 82 meters high, surrounded by several semi domes, designed to give the visitor an impression of the greatness of God. Every year millions of visitors come to admire the beauty of Hagia Sophia. What about you! Do you plan to visit it soon?

#### Questions

# A/ Reading comprehension (7pts)

Activity one: Read the text and complete the fact file (3pts)

Monument:
Location:
Height:
constructed by:
constructed in:
Empires:



## Activity two: answer the following questions (2pts)

- 1. Is Hagia Sophia one of the seven wonders?
  - .....
- **2.** Did it use to be a museum?
- .....
- **3.** What are the materials used in the construction of Hagia Sofia?
- 4. Does Hagia Sophia serve today as a church or as a mosque?

Activity three: find in the text words that are synonyms and opposite to the words below (2pts)

wonderful =.....

large = .....

smallest ≠ .....

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## B/ Mastery of the language (7pts)

#### Activity one: Join each pair using comparative of *equality* or *inferiority* (3 pts)

- a. Big Ben is an interesting monument.
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- .....
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#### Activity two: Read the words carefully and choose the right sound. (2pts)

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# Activity three: write the correct form of the verbs between brackets. (2pts)

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#### Written expression (6 pts)

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Write a **paragraph** about its description using the following notes.

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Location: New York USA

Height: 93 meters

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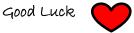
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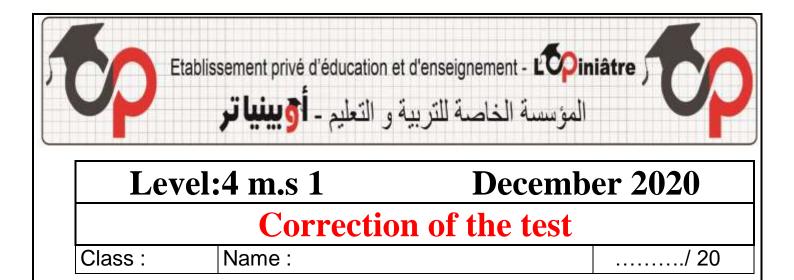
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- 5. \_Is Hagia Sophia one of the seven wonders? Yes, it is.
- **6.** Did it use to be a museum?

Yes, it did.

- 7. What are the materials used in the construction of Hagia Sofia?The materials used in the construction of Hagia Sofia are marble, mosaics and gold.
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