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SESSION 2000

# BACCALAURÉAT TECHNOLOGIQUE

## ANGLAIS

LVI (STI, SMS, STL, STT CG - IG)

LANGUE RENFORCÉE (STT ACA - ACC)

Durée : 2 Heures

Coefficient : 2

Ce sujet comporte 6 pages

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*Ce cahier est destiné à recevoir vos réponses. Vous le remettrez à la fin de l'épreuve. Ne vous en servez pas comme d'un brouillon. Il n'est pas prévu de vous en fournir un second. Vous ne pouvez pas utiliser de feuilles supplémentaires.*

*The Lins have just settled in America.*

Then came our dinner at the Lakeview restaurant. Father wanted to celebrate, because he had just been promoted. He worked for an electronics company, and after his English started improving, his superiors decided to appoint him to a position more suited to his training.

5 Up to then we had eaten only in Chinese restaurants. Although my brother and I were becoming fond of hamburgers, my parents didn't care much for western food.

But this was a special occasion, and Father asked his co-workers to recommend a really elegant restaurant. So there we were at the Lakeview.

10 At our table, we were handed our menus. They were mostly written in French.

"Paté en croûte", my father said. "Let's see ... pâté is paste ... croûte is crust ... hum a paste in crust".

15 The waiter stood looking patient. I moved uncomfortably and died at least fifty times.

Finally, Father decided : "why don't we just order four complete dinners ?"

20 The soup arrived in a plate. How do you get soup up from a plate ? I glanced at the other customers, but the ones at the nearby tables were not on their soup course, while the more distant ones were invisible in the darkness.

Fortunately my parents had studied books on western etiquette before they came to America. "Tilt (1) your plate", whispered my mother. "It's easier to spoon the soup up that way".

25 She was right. Tilting the plate did the trick (2). But the etiquette book didn't say anything about what you did after the soup reached your lips. As any respectable Chinese knows, the correct way to eat your soup is to slurp. This helps to cool the liquid and prevent you from burning your lips. It also shows your appreciation.

30 We showed our appreciation. *Shloop*, went my father. *Shloop*, went my mother. *Shloop, shloop*, went my brother, who was the hungriest.

The lady harpist stopped playing to take a rest. And in the silence, our family's consumption of soup suddenly seemed unnaturally loud.

35 At the next table a waiter was pouring wine. When a large *shloop* reached him, he froze. The bottle continued to pour, and red wine flooded the tabletop and into the lap of a customer. Even the customer didn't notice anything at first, being also hypnotized by the *shloop*.

It was too much. "I need to go to the toilet", I mumbled, jumping to my feet. A waiter, sensing my urgency, quickly directed me to the ladies' room.

40 I splashed cold water on my burning face, and as I dried myself with a paper towel, I stared into the mirror. In this perfumed ladies' room, with its pink-and-silver wallpaper and marbled sinks, I looked completely out of place. What was I doing here ? What was our family doing in the Lakeview restaurant ? In America ?

Adapted from a short story by Lensey Mamioka,  
« The all American slurp ».

- (1) incline
- (2) worked

# COMPREHENSION

## 1. TICK THE RIGHT ANSWER :

- a) How many people are there in the family ?  3  
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- b) The narrator is the father   
the mother   
one of the children
- c) The family was celebrating a promotion   
a birthday   
their arrival
- d) The family is Chinese   
French   
American
- e) They are in a fast food restaurant   
a five-star restaurant   
a cafeteria

**2. PUT INTO CHRONOLOGICAL ORDER:**

- The waiter splashes wine on a table.
- They start to eat the soup.
- The father orders.
- The soup is served.
- The narrator refreshes herself.
- They arrive at the Lakeview restaurant.

**3. TRUE OR FALSE ? Justify by quoting the text.**

a) The whole family enjoyed eating American food.  T  F

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b) Having soup served in a plate was a problem for the Lins.  T  F

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c) The narrator could watch other customers eating soup.  T  F

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d) Before emigrating, the narrator's parents had read about Western ways and customs.  T  F

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e) For the Chinese, slurping soup is disgusting.  T  F

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f) Red wine was spread all over the next table and over the knees of the customer.  T  F

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**4. VOCABULARY : Find equivalents in the text.**

a) the code of good manners :

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b) to eat noisily :

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c) to pause :

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d) the toilet :

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**5. TICK THE RIGHT ANSWER. Justify by quoting from the text.**

a) The waiter froze because

- he felt cold
- he was frightened
- he was surprised

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b) The customer didn't notice anything as

- he was talking to someone
- he couldn't believe the noise he heard
- he was eating his soup

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c) The girl splashed cold water on her burning face because

- it was too hot in the restaurant
- the soup was too hot
- she felt ashamed

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d) She looked completely out of place because

- she didn't like the room she was in
- she felt a total stranger in that country
- she didn't like that type of restaurant

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**6. TICK THE CORRECT BOXES AND JUSTIFY YOUR CHOICE BY QUOTING FROM THE TEXT.**

a) At first the girl is :

- surprised
- embarrassed
- at ease

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b) and she thought adjusting to the American way of life was :

- difficult
- easy
- enjoyable

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**EXPRESSION**

**ANSWER QUESTIONS 1 AND 2 :**

1) Why do some people prefer fast-food restaurants to more traditional restaurants ?  
(80 words).

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