La leçon se déroule en anglais. Elle est suivie d'un entretien en français.

**SUBJECT:**

Prepositions are either static or dynamic.

Discuss.

Candidates will use relevant excerpts from the following corpus to address the above topic.
Excerpt n°1
She added, helpfully, that in anticipation of this momentous accord she had actually included in her entourage a group of Pakistan's leading mango exporters. The Japanese hosts were caught totally off guard. It would be nearer to the truth to say that they were verily stunned.

http://pakobserver.net, February 3, 2010

Excerpt n°2
How is it possible that this appallingly insensitive woman, with a moral compass as distorted as a politician's expenses claim, is still occupying her supremely superfluous sinecure after outraging the entire nation with her obscene remarks? More to the point, why is Ed Balls, the minister who defied Parliament to railroad through her appointment, still in office?

http://blogs.telegraph.co.uk, March 13, 2010

Excerpt n°3
David Beckham's hopes of extending his England career into a fourth World Cup finals are in tatters after the veteran midfielder ruptured an achilles tendon in Milan's 1-0 Serie A victory over Chievo last night, an injury that will rule him out for the season and could curtail his illustrious 18-year career.

http://www.guardian.co.uk, March 15, 2010

Excerpt n°4
To supply tension, the tumblers are connected to springs that sit into the ends of the tumblers' chambers. The springs keep the disks from falling out of the plugs and also keep them above the top of the plug.

Locksmithing: From Apprentice to Master, Joseph E. Rathjen, 1994

Excerpt n°5
From last year's heartache came the unbridled joy and happiness which accompanied San Diego State's name being flashed on the television screen.

http://www.nctimes.com, February 2, 2010

Excerpt n°6
In Teaneck, Larry Krause, 50, and Ovadiah Mussaffi, 52, were killed by a large oak tree that fell and killed them as they were walking on the sidewalk along Jefferson Street. The accident occurred as Mussaffi and Krause were on the way home after Saturday services at Congregation Shaarei Orah, the Sephardic Congregation of Teaneck.

http://www.myfoxny.com, March 14, 2010

Excerpt n°7
And so the opening laps of the race unfolded, with the leading teams running on the softest tires and most of the rest of the field on the longer-lasting hard compounds, until the leaders began to pit on laps 15 through 18.

http://www.autoblog.com, March 14, 2010

Excerpt n°8
"If I don't have kids and walk by the school every day and it has no impact on my life, it doesn't bother me if it closes," said Strachan.
"Well, maybe if you found out the school has a swimming pool you can use or it runs programs for your elderly mother, all of a sudden you're more interested as a community member."

http://www.leaderpost.com, May 7, 2009

Excerpt n°9
Collapse are a London based thrash metal combo who were clearly very into what they were doing as they opened up the second stage. And two numbers in, so were the crowd. Collapse's music has a unique brutality and a toughness that could give David Haye a hard time over twelve rounds.

http://www.metaltalk.net, February 4, 2010

Excerpt n°10
"My fear is that by combining the education piece with the health care bill, we give Republicans a weapon to use against us that we don't need to."
Because Congress can consider only one reconciliation bill, Democrats want to pair the lending bill with health care so that both could pass the Senate with a 51-vote threshold.

http://www.politico.com, March 11, 2010

Excerpt n°11
Ray Pierce stood under a blue construction scaffolding outside a club on 4th Street, smoking a damp cigarette. Beneath the soles of his shoes, through the concrete, he could feel the pounding party music, like the heart of a caged animal.

*Hardcore Romeo*, Mark Nadja, 2006

Excerpt n°12
Suddenly, with a flaunt of its bushy tail and a daring, backward glance, it scampered under the gate into Miss Ainsley's garden and Winfield laughed aloud.

*Lavender and Old Lace*, Myrtle Reed, 2007

Excerpt n°13
Among the trees lies hidden in a small chapel, resonant with the rapid waters that fall in silver foam upon each side and rush beneath its stone floor; and from this point a particularly charming view of the angle that holds the central court within may be obtained.

Old Touraine: The Life And History of the Famous Chateaux of France, Theodore Andrea Cook, 2004,

Excerpt n°14
Slipping past the condo towers of North Van, around the verdant point beneath Stanley Park, we almost silently picked up speed to rush beneath the great, green girders of magnificent Lions Gate Bridge and, thence, out into the deeper swells of Georgia Strait.

*Cruise Travel*, February 1982

Excerpt n°15
At first light he would creep into the thicket, squeeze between the twisted stems, ensconce himself so deep that only a crawler like himself could come through, and that crawler would be jabbed.

*Lord of the Flies*, William Golding, 1954

Excerpt n°16
He pours a little tonic water into each bowl and I ask him to add more to mine. Then he throws into each glass a slip of lemon from another bowl giving it a little squeeze between thumb and forefinger before letting it drop, and stirs.

*Anthills of the Savannah*, Chinua Achebe, 1988

Excerpt n°17
The interchange became increasingly bitter after Cameron was heckled from the Labour benches over the fact that the military chiefs he had cited as criticising Brown were "Tories". Banging his papers on the dispatch box, Cameron demanded an apology for this "disgraceful slur" on the former defence chiefs' patriotism and integrity.

http://www.guardian.co.uk, March 10, 2010

Excerpt n°18
In the first few months of life, babies sleep between 12 and 18 hours over the course of a 24 hour day.

*The Cleveland Clinic Guide to Sleep Disorders*, Nancy Foldvary-Schaefer, 2009

Excerpt n°19
"We stand by the principle that there is a legitimate claim, it should be respected and it should be negotiated," said Steve Watson, national representative for the Canadian Auto Workers, who was at the head of 15 activist union members.

http://www.brantfordexpositor.ca, March 9, 2010
Excerpt n°20
In 1973 I was cutting the grass around the flats with a 30 inch mower. These machines by their very nature are noisy. One chap arrived semi naked on his balcony shouting at me, he said: "Would I please go away with that noisy machine because it was having an effect on his love life..." or words to that effect, but have cleaned it up for publication.

http://www.middletonguardian.co.uk, March 11, 2009