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L. A.'S HOMELESS

With its 77,000 homeless people, California is the state of America most frequented by the *destitute**. The population, *hardened** by the recession, is more and more intolerant and firm measures are taken concerning the homeless. The authorities *ban** them from sleeping overnight in the city parks or threaten to jail those who *harass** people for money.

But Ted Hayes, a political activist, seems to be an exception. He has created a project, Genesis 1, to give *shelter** to homeless people: a village of 18 domes built in Los Angeles, the homeless capital of the United States. The domes, which cost \$10,000 each, provide a room for two residents or a bedroom and living room for a couple – married or unmarried. Residents also share a communal kitchen, dining room and bathrooms.

The community *rules** are less strict than those which generally *apply to** the city's other shelters. Alcohol is tolerated – as are drugs, so long as they are consumed outside the village. [But anyone who fails to participate in communal activities can be excluded from the village, where the fundamental principle is *self help**.]

Mr Hayes *claims** that such a society will serve as a transitional community and enable residents to return to *mainstream** life.

The domes have provoked strong reactions from the missions and non-profit organizations that *run** Los Angeles's shelters. But Mr Hayes responds virulently to his critics: "Those people have done absolutely nothing but maintain their jobs while the homeless crisis has got worse. *At least** we are trying to do something."

Adapted from "Domes, sweet domes for LA's homeless", *Sure!* magazine, Sept. -Oct. 1994-N°1

Vocabulary:

- *the destitute*: les pauvres
- *hardened*: endurci, durci
- *to ban*: interdire
- *to harass*: harceler
- *shelter*: abri
- *rule*: règle, règlement

- *to apply to*: s'appliquer à
- *self help*: efforts personnels, auto-assistance
- *to claim*: prétendre
- *mainstream*: normal
- *to run*: diriger, faire marcher
- *at least*: au moins

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I. compréhension

1 - Répondez en anglais aux questions suivantes : (6 pts)

a. What is the Californians' reaction towards the homeless?

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b. What has Genesis 1 been created for?

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c. What kind of room does a dome provide?

- for a single person
- for a couple.....

2 - Traduisez en français le passage entre crochets (§ 3) : (2 pts)

• But anyone who fails to participate in communal activities can be excluded from the village, where the fundamental principle is self help.

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3 - Vrai ou Faux ?

Cochez la bonne case et dans tous les cas, justifiez en anglais à l'aide d'éléments du texte : (3 pts)

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a. In California, authorities protect the homeless.

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b. Each resident must play his part in the village.

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c. For Mr Hayes the project favours the homeless' social integration.

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II. compétence linguistique

4 - Complétez à l'aide des pronoms relatifs (who, which, what, that, whose) : (1,5 pt)

- a. I don't understand you are saying.
- b. Mr Hayes, claims that Genesis 1 will serve as a transitional community, is an exception.
- c. They are talking about a politician name is T. Hayes.

5 - Complétez les phrases avec l'adjectif au comparatif de supériorité : (1,5 pt)

- a. Life is becoming (hard) for homeless people.
- b. Winter 99 was (bad) than the year before.
- c. To get some financial help is going to be (difficult), this year.

