

# BACCALAUREAT TECHNOLOGIQUE

SESSION 2010

## ANGLAIS

### ■ Langue Vivante 1: Séries STG - ST2S

*Coefficient : 2*    *Série STG : spécialité "Gestion des systèmes d'information"*  
*Série ST2S*

*Coefficient : 3*    *Série STG spécialités :*  
*"Communication et gestion des ressources humaines"*  
*"Comptabilité et finance d'entreprise"*  
*"Mercatique"*

### ■ Langue vivante 1: Séries STI - STL

*Coefficient : 2*

**Durée de l'épreuve : 2 heures**

*L'usage de la calculatrice et du dictionnaire est interdit.*

Dès que ce sujet vous est remis, assurez-vous qu'il est complet.  
Ce sujet comporte 4 pages numérotées de 1 à 4.

### Répartition des points

Séries	STG - ST2S	STI - STL
Compréhension	10 points	12 points
Expression	10 points	8 points

Nancy Chu asks if she can talk to me after the last class of the day. She sits at her desk and waits for the room to empty. She reminds me she's in my second-period sophomore class.

I'm here three years from China.

Your English is very good, Nancy.

5 Thank you. I learned English from Fred Astaire.

Fred Astaire ?

I know all the songs from all his movies. My favourite is *Top Hat*. I sing his songs all the time. My parents think I'm crazy. My friends, too. All they know is rock and you can't learn English from rock. I have trouble with my parents all the time over Fred Astaire.

10 Well, it's unusual, Nancy.

Also, I watch you teach.

Oh.

15 And I wonder why you're so uptight. You know English, so you should be cool. Kids all say if they knew English they'd be so cool. Sometimes you're not uptight and the kids like that. They like it when you tell stories and sing. When I'm uptight I sing "Dancing in the Dark." You should learn that, Mr. McCourt, and sing it to the class. You don't have such a bad voice.

Nancy, I'm here to teach English. I'm not a song-and-dance man.

Could you tell me how to be an English teacher who won't be uptight ?

20 But what will your parents say ?

They think I'm crazy already and they say they're sorry they ever brought me from China, where there's no Fred Astaire. They say I'm not even Chinese anymore. They say what's the use of coming all the way from China just to be a teacher and listen to Fred Astaire. Coulda been a teacher over there. You come here to make money, my parents say.

25 Mr. McCourt, will you tell me how to be an English teacher ?

I will, Nancy.

Thanks, Mr. McCourt. Do you mind if I ask questions in class ?

In class she says, You were lucky you knew English when you came to America. How did you feel when you came to America ?

30 Confused. Do you know what confused means ?

The word goes around the room. They explain it to one another in their own languages and heads nod, yeah, yeah. They're surprised the man up there, the teacher, was once confused like them and he knew English and everything. So, we have something in common : confusion.

35 I tell them that when I came to New York I had trouble with language and the names of things. I had to learn food words : sauerkraut, cole slaw, hot dog, bagel mit a schmeer.

Franck McCourt, *Teacher Man*, 2006



**B – The following statements are TRUE. Justify it by quoting from the text.**

1. The main characters start talking after the other students are gone.
2. Nancy's family think she is eccentric.
3. The students like it better when Mr. McCourt is less conventional in class.
4. Nancy's parents think she has lost her identity.
5. Mr. McCourt was not born in America.

**C – TRUE or FALSE ? Justify your answer by quoting from the text.**

1. Nancy has been living in America for two years.
2. Nancy's friends listen to the same music as her.
3. Nancy gives advice to Mr. McCourt.
4. Nancy's parents are pleased that she plans to become a teacher in America.
5. When Mr. McCourt first arrived in New York, he had difficulty with some words.

**D – Read carefully the beginning of the text down to line 17.**

**Find the equivalent in the text for each of the following words or expressions :**

1. tells me again
2. argue with
3. not common
4. would like to know

**Les questions suivantes seront traitées uniquement par les candidats des séries STI et STL**

**E – Choose three adjectives among the following that best describe Nancy's character :**

- |           |                  |                |                      |
|-----------|------------------|----------------|----------------------|
| 1) timid  | 2) narrow-minded | 3) critical    | 4) easily influenced |
| 5) clever | 6) submissive    | 7) traditional | 8) direct            |

**F – Pick out a sentence showing that the students in the class learn English as a second language.**

**III – EXPRESSION :**

**Les candidats des séries STG et ST2S traiteront les deux sujets suivants :**

1 – A few years later Nancy has become an English teacher. Write the letter she sends to Mr. McCourt to tell him about her experience as an English teacher and about her family's reactions. (80 words)

2 – People usually learn foreign languages at school. Are there other ways ? Justify your answer and give examples. (120 words)

**Les candidats des séries STI et STL traiteront le sujet suivant :**

People usually learn foreign languages at school. Are there other ways ? Justify your answer and give examples. (150 words)