

**Correction devoir type bac:
« Freegans make feast for free »**

+ conseils méthodologiques

1. This document is a press article **taken from** the American newsmagazine Newsweek. **It is entitled** Freegans make feasts for free and **it was written by** Lecia Bushak. **It was published on** April 14, 2010. **It deals with** a new lifestyle and an alternative mode of consumption called freeganism.

-Présenter un document, c'est donner sa nature, son origine, son titre, son auteur, sa date de publication et dire en une phrase de quoi ça parle!

- Apprendre par cœur les expressions en rouge!

2. The scene take**S** place in **the** USA, more precisely in an apartment situated in Harlem, New York.

**-Bien lire la consigne et n'oubliez aucun élément:
country/city/district**

-La question est posée au présent simple →réponse au présent simple

3. People are preparing a Thanksgiving-like dinner with food brought by each of the participants. What's unusual is that the food used for the meal comes from the trash/ the garbage/ the litter/ the bin and has been collected by freegan members for free.

The Freegan feasts are organized once a month and the meal is shared between all the guests / all those who want to take part.

4. A trash tour **consists in** exploring the area's wasted food, digging in trash/garbage/litter/bins looking for free ingredients among the food waste or the household refuse.

Trash tours usually take place at night.

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- **Ne pas oublier de répondre RIGHT / WRONG (bien reprendre les mots de la consigne! TRUE FALSE YES NO)**
- **Cibler correctement la citation (ne pas couper les mots clés / la phrase doit faire sens! / Pas de citation trop longue!)**
- **-Même si plusieurs passages peuvent justifier la réponse, n'en citer qu'un seul sinon 0 pt le jour du bac!**

6. « Freeganism is just looking at the world in a different way » in so far as it proposes an alternative mode of consumption based on free food and Goods. It is a way to oppose/ fight against the consumer society and to challenge the consumer culture but also to denounce the thrown-away society and the drifts of consumerism (overconsumption/ waste / pollution / ...). Moreover, it encourages solidarity and sharing among the people.

7. On the one hand, I would be ready to be a freegan to declare war on waste and challenge the consumer culture. Indeed, I think creating new things from rubbish is the best way to fight against our thrown-away society. Moreover when I see you can save so much money with this lifestyle, it is very attractive!

On the other hand, I think Freeganism goes a bit to far! I wouldn't like to go on a trash tour and take food from the trash as I find it quite disgusting and I don't think I would be able to eat food from the trash anyway! Indeed, eating food that has passed its use-by date can be dangerous and I don't want to get sick!

DOCUMENT 2

1. This document looks like a price-tag. It is composed of two parts: in the upper part, small characters are running away / escaping from a bar code which represents / stands for a jail – the prison of consumerism!- . Under the characters we can decipher a hidden message written in reversed numbers and letters. It reads « escape captivity » and it urges people to switch off from shopping / detox from shopping/ take a break from consumption. In the lower part, we can see the title « Buy Nothing Day » , the slogan « participate by not participating » and the dates when the event took place « November 24th and 25th 2006 ».

2. This document was made for Buy Nothing Day. This celebration is usually held on Friday after Thanksgiving (in the US) or on the last Saturday in November in GB. In the US it is a bank Holiday and people usually go Christmas Shopping on that day called Black Friday. BND encourages people to spend one or two days without buying to challenge the consumer society . On that day, people are urged to organise events to show they disapprove of the Consumer society and are encouraged to spend more time with their family and friends instead of going shopping!

DOCUMENT 1 AND 2

Both documents deal with movements which challenge the consumer culture and fight against the consumer society. The aim is to stop buying/ consuming/spending money and to develop an alternative mode of consumption.

However, the two documents are of a different nature: the first one is a press article whereas the second one is a poster/ an ad.

Moreover, they propose two different modes of action: BND is a particular celebration which lasts one or two days only contrary to the Freegan movement which represents a more radical change of lifestyle.

Finally, the two movements do not target the same category of people: BND targets everybody whereas Freegan members or followers are more unconventional /marginal people who commit themselves day after day to change the world they live in.