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Le candidat traite au choix le sujet 1 ou le sujet 2.

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Répartition des points

Synthèse : 16 points

Traduction ou transposition : 4 points

SUJET 1

Le sujet porte sur la thématique « Faire Société ».

Partie 1 (16 pts)

Prenez connaissance du dossier proposé, composé des documents A, B et C non hiérarchisés et traitez en anglais le sujet suivant (500 mots environ) :

Taking into account their specificities, say what the documents show about language issues in Canada. Pay particular attention to political decisions and strategies, both past and present, and the perception of these issues by Canadians.

Partie 2 (4 pts)

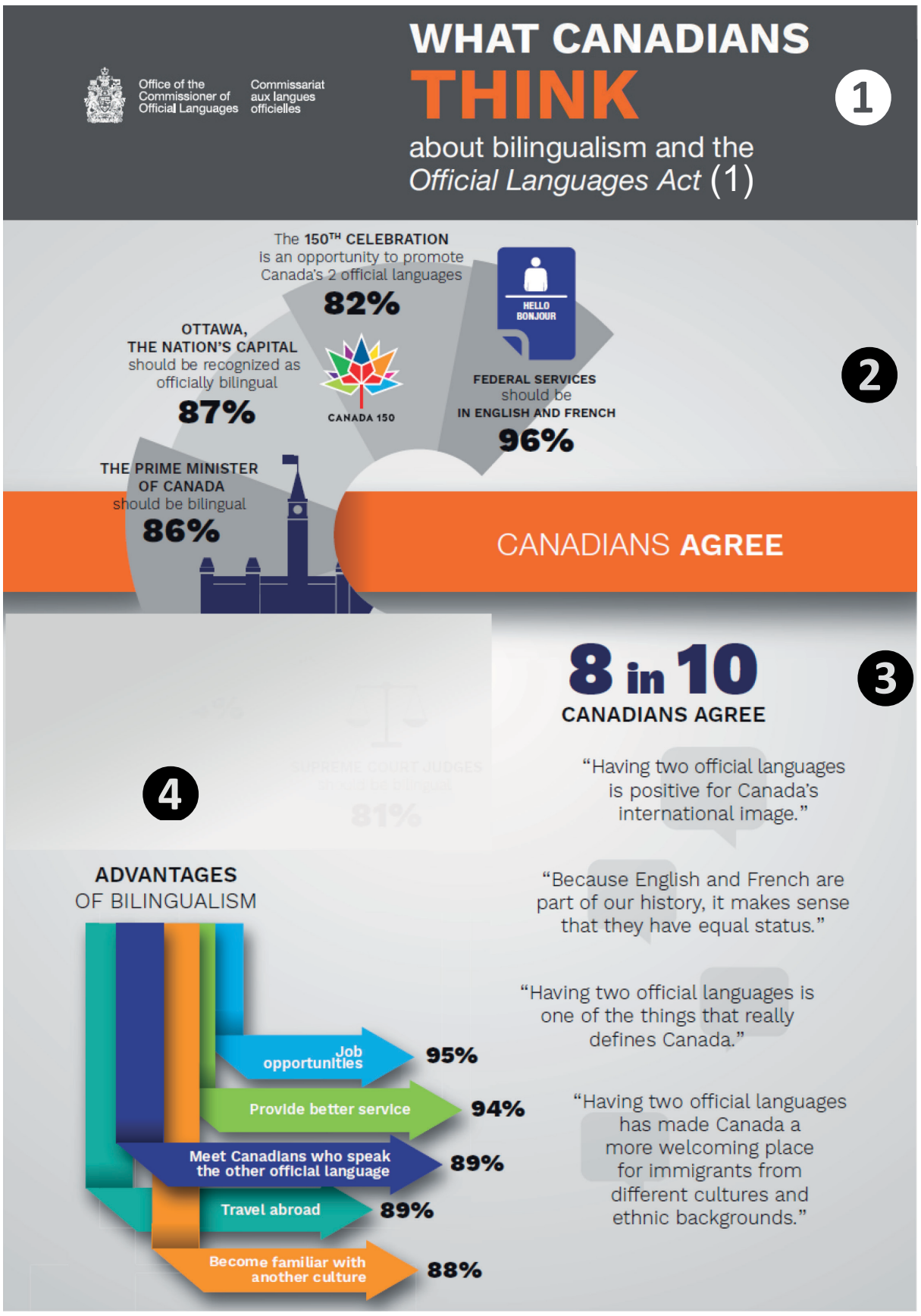
Traduisez en français le passage suivant du document C (l. 7-13) :

As a result, while the number of French speakers in Canada is rising, their weight relative to the total population is slowly decreasing. We have now reached the symbolically critical point where there are more allophones (1) (individuals whose mother tongue is neither English nor French) in Canada than there are French-as-mother-tongue individuals. These statistics do not fail to be mobilized by detractors of official languages, who often argue that French should not be getting special treatment in this country […].

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(1) *se traduit par « allophones »*

Document A



www.officiallanguages.gc.ca, 2016

Transcription du texte ❶ ❷ ❸ ❹ aux pages agrandies 4/18 et 5/18.

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Office of the Commissioner of Official Languages

Commissariat aux langues officielles

WHAT CANADIANS THINK about bilingualism and the *Official Languages Act* (1)

(1) 1969 law that made English and French the official languages of Canada

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- **86 %** THE PRIME MINISTER OF CANADA should be bilingual
- **87 %** OTTAWA, THE NATION'S CAPITAL should be recognized as officially bilingual
- **82 %** The 150th CELEBRATION is an opportunity to promote Canada's 2 official languages
- **96 %** FEDERAL SERVICES should be IN ENGLISH AND FRENCH

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8 in 10 CANADIANS AGREE

"Having two official languages is positive for Canada's international image."

"Because English and French are part of our history, it makes sense that they have equal status."

"Having two official languages is one of the things that really defines Canada."

"Having two official languages has made Canada a more welcoming place for immigrants from different cultures and ethnic backgrounds."

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Advantages of bilingualism

95 % Job opportunities

94 % Provide better service

89 % Meet Canadians who speak the other official language

89 % Travel abroad

88 % Become familiar with another culture

Document B

Enhancing the vitality of Francophone minority communities through immigration: A national strategy

We are committed to supporting the vitality of Francophone minority communities and increasing the proportion of French-speaking immigrants outside Quebec, working toward a target of 4.4% of all immigrants by 2023.

We have already introduced changes to temporary and permanent programs in order to attract French-speaking immigrants. […]

Building on this progress and sustained cooperation with numerous Canadian and international partners — including provinces, territories, employers and Francophone communities — our new Action Plan will increase investments by $40.8 million over five years to support a consolidated Francophone integration pathway and coordinated Francophone immigration policies and programs.

These actions will be part of a new overarching (1) Francophone Immigration Strategy that will be developed by Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (2) (IRCC), in consultation with Francophone minority communities. As part of this strategy, we will continue our international promotion, communication and recruitment work. Together with language-testing organizations, we will increase the availability and reduce the cost of French language tests required for economic immigration.

“Action Plan for Official Languages – 2018-2023: Investing in Our Future”, Government of Canada, 2018

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(1) global

(2) federal department in charge of immigration questions

Document C

Revising the Official Languages Act?

Our population has grown by a third in the past three decades, and much of that growth can be attributed to immigration. As of today, two out of five Canadians were not born in this country. While our immigration system favours speakers of both official languages, knowledge of English far outweighs knowledge of French among newcomers, which was spoken by only 2.82 percent of Canada's immigration intake in 2019.

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country – forgetting a history of linguistic accommodation and compromise between French and English that predates Confederation (1) itself.

15 Second, Indigenous peoples mark another change in our society, not only from a demographic perspective, as they are the fastest growing segment of the population, but also because Canadians are paying more attention to their issues than ever before, and the protection and revitalization of their languages is an urgent issue.

Of the more than 70 indigenous languages that are spoken in Canada today, only three
20 are considered to be in a relatively safe position, a sufficient number of speakers preventing their disappearance: Cree, Inuktitut, and Ojibway. All others are endangered or on the verge of extinction — a direct result of Canada's attempts at assimilation through colonial policies such as residential schools.(2) In 2019, the federal

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(1) The British North American colonies joined together to form the Canadian Confederation in 1867.

(2) government-sponsored religious schools established to assimilate Indigenous children into Euro-Canadian culture

government adopted the Indigenous Languages Act. While this was a first step in the right direction, the act does not live up to some Indigenous peoples' expectations. For example, the Inuit made it clear that they wished for more than a recognition of their languages' existence but also for the development of government services in their language.

Policy magazine, December 16, 2020

SUJET 2

Le sujet porte sur la thématique « Environnements en mutation ».

Partie 1 (16 pts)

Prenez connaissance du dossier proposé, composé des documents A, B, C et D non hiérarchisés, et traitez en anglais le sujet suivant (500 mots environ) :

Taking into account their specificities and viewpoints, say what the documents show about the transformation of the city of Sheffield (UK). Pay particular attention to the successes and challenges, and how they impact the local and national political debates.

Partie 2 (4 pts)

Traduisez en français le passage suivant du document A (l. 1-9) :

It is a city that was once described by George Orwell as the “ugliest town in the old world”.

In Sheffield, he wrote in 1936, “in whichever direction you look you see the same landscape of monstrous chimneys pouring forth smoke”.

But today, things are somewhat different: the South Yorkshire city has just been named the greenest in the UK.

Researchers from the University of Southampton ranked the country’s biggest 25 urban centres for their sustainability – and this one-time industrial powerhouse came out top.

Document A

Sheffield named as UK's most sustainable city

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(1) The results were published in the Green Cities Report.

Its wide-open spaces (a third of the city famously sits within the Peak District), millions of trees and a comparatively high volume of renewable energy production all helped the Steel (2) City top the table. […]

Douglas Johnson, Sheffield City Council's Green Party cabinet member for climate change, said: "It's nice to be recognised but, as a city, we now need to go further and faster to reach net-zero by 2030."

He added that hundreds of the city's least energy-efficient homes were currently being reinsulated (3) with government grants, while millions of pounds were being ploughed (4) into building and upgrading walking and cycling routes to connect areas right across the city.

The Independent, 30 October 2021

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(2) *acier*

(3) to reinsulate: *refaire l'isolation*

(4) invested

Document B

Labour pledges to make Sheffield the Steel City once again

Ahead of her speech at Labour conference today, Rachel Reeves, the shadow chancellor, (1) announced that the party would set up a “National Wealth Fund” for the state to invest directly in projects like steel to create a return for taxpayers and rebuild industrial areas. […]

Sheffield has long been dubbed the Steel City of the UK, after spearheading the industrial revolution in the 19th century as the manufacturing centre of the country. Through the 80s the city lost around 50,000 jobs in steel and engineering.

“The steel industry is the backbone of Britain,” Ed Miliband, Labour’s shadow climate change secretary, (1) told the *Yorkshire Post*.

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(1) Members of the Shadow Cabinet are spokespersons of the opposition in charge of examining and questioning the work of the government.

“In contrast to a decade of neglect from the Tories, Labour will invest in our steel industry so it has a proud future producing clean, green steel.

“We will stand with steelworkers, unions and communities to put the industry on a path to lead the world.

“Labour's National Wealth Fund is about rebuilding our industrial strength to produce jobs and wealth for the people of Britain.” […]

[The plan] aims to create long-term wealth in the UK by investing in national projects which could include battery factories. […]

The projects also include the world’s largest hydrogen electrolyser plant and net-zero industrial clusters in every region of the country. […]

Labour argued that when public money is spent on these projects, British people would own a share of that wealth and benefit from any returns on investments. […]

Ms Reeves will argue […]: “That is a real plan for the climate. That is a real plan for growth. That is a real plan for levelling up.

“A zero carbon economy – made right here… made in Britain.”

The Yorkshire Post, 26 September 2022

Document C

Sheffield – Europe's greenest city?

Martin Phipps [councillor for Sheffield Green Party] writes on the recent report about Sheffield being the UK's most sustainable city. […]

A third of Sheffield is within the Peak District national park, 60% is green space and we have 250 parks, woodlands and gardens plus 4.5 million trees – the most per person in Europe. We all benefit from this.

But the phrase "Europe's greenest city" has been used too often in the past by political leaders running Sheffield to muddy the waters (1) on climate emergency action. We have a massive head start and with more ambition could be one of the world-leading cities whose actions inspire others to follow.

Opportunities were missed, like fitting thousands of council homes with solar panels at no cost when the Feed In Tariff [programme] made this more financially viable. […]

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(1) make a situation more confusing

The Grey to Green project in Castlegate (2) has shown what's possible. Cities of the future need to be clean, attractive places to visit for leisure. We should be creating safe, traffic-free, walking and cycling environments in city centres with electric buses and taxis accessible within walking distance.

We can't rely on current world or UK political leaders to take the urgent action needed to address the climate emergency. It's down to us to act in our communities while collectively pushing all councillors of all parties to embrace the clean and healthy future we need.

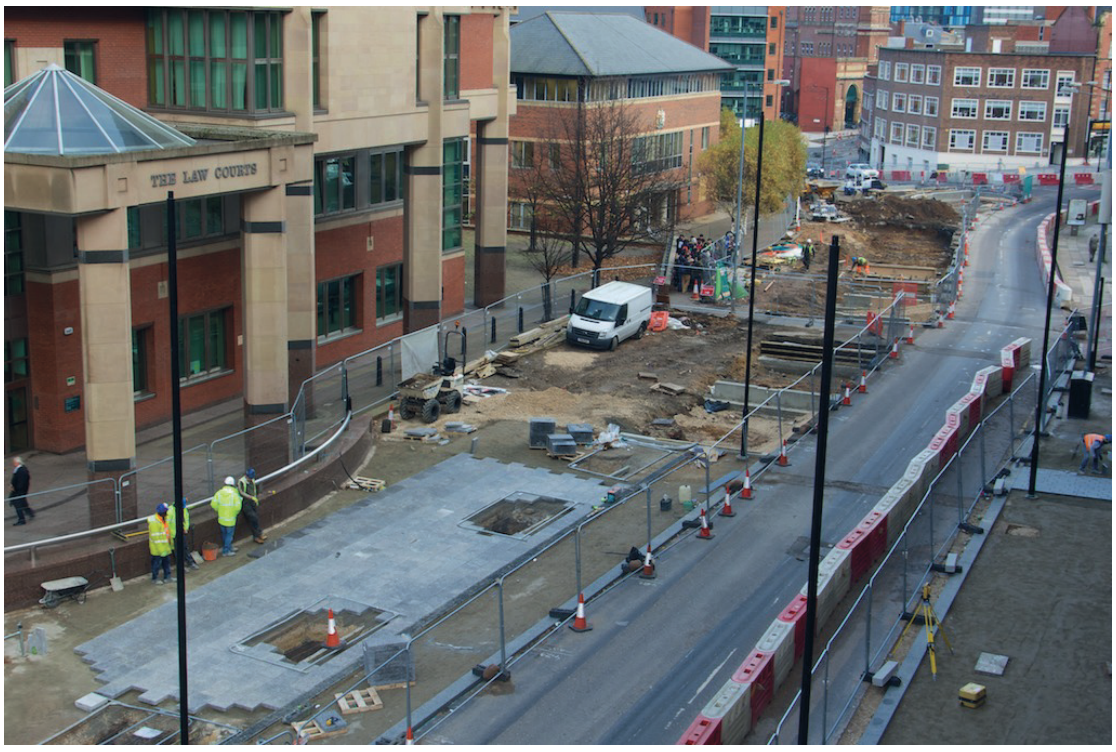
"Letter to the press", *Sheffieldgreenparty.org.uk,* 9 November 2021

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(2) area in Sheffield city centre

Document D

Sheffield’s Grey to Green Scheme



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