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Deal with one of the three following subjects:

First subject:

Imagination is the faculty that produces mental images in the brain.

Explain this judgment of "Ribot" and state the problematic it raises.
Discuss this judgment in light of another theory you know.
Do you think that the reliance of the academic curricula on memorizing limits imagination? Justify your answer.
(9 points)
(7 points)
(4 points)

Second subject:

Social phenomena are studied objectively, as they hold all the characteristics of the external objects.

Explain this judgment of "Durkheim" and state the problematic it raises.
Discuss this judgment in light of another opinion you know.
Do you think that publishing statistics related to a social phenomenon (corruption, domestic violence, racism...) contributes to limiting it? Justify your answer.

Third subject: Text

"Observation does not tell me that the sun is bigger than the earth; I suppose it is so. There is no instrument which will make me consider this thought as true.

This remark, as simple as it would be, could undoubtedly organize these discussions which are read everywhere on the value and importance of the scientific hypotheses. For those who have rushed up the scientific process and have never thought of simple examples, they would like the truth to be revealed to them as one sees the moon enlarged through a telescope; if the size of the moon has been enlarged, it is still an appearance that requires reasoning.

Finally, if I do not reason, I shall remain in the presence of appearances which by themselves won't tell me anything. I would like to think that with a better telescope, I would become a better scientist. However, a more precise instrument does not make things simpler. It is necessary to think thoroughly to get something out of it. This is also the case of the microscope: it astonishes the ignorant, but it does not teach him."

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- 1- Explain the ideas of the text and state the problematic it raises. (9 points)
- **2-** Discuss the ideas of the text in light of the importance of the observation (7 points) in the experimental method.
- 3- Do you think that the availability of advanced techniques at schools and universities promotes the student's scientific spirit? Justify your answer. (4 points)