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I) Version

À mesure que les protestes avancent, peu d'entre elles sont aussi inoffensives que celles dirigées par Bike Lyrid Now, un groupe de cyclistes basé à Chicago. Lors d'une de ces protestes, tenue le matin du 26 octobre, environ trois douzaines de cyclistes se sont rassemblés à l'extérieur du Loop, le centre-ville de Chicago, avant d'aller ensemble en vélo au Daley Plaza, à côté de la mairie. Sur divers types de vélos, ils ont fait le tour du coin, s'établant à travers les trois voies, avant de s'arrêter en face de l'entrée pour bloquer le passage des voitures. Après qu'un policier, qui était aussi en vélo, leur a poliment dit qu'ils avaient cinq minutes avant qu'il ne soit obligé de les arrêter, ils ont sonné leurs cloches et ils ont chanté des demandes de pistes de vélo. Quelques minutes après, les membres ^{du groupe}, composé en majorité de salariés blancs ^{âgés} d'une trentaine d'années, se sont dispersés vers leurs bureaux dans les boîtes du coin.

III. Thème

- 1) I wonder if they will reach a settlement by the end of the week.
- 2) I ran into John last week, I had not seen him for weeks.
- 3) The more women there will be at the top, the narrower the gender wage gap will get.

- 4) They wish they had purchased seats for the final in Paris.
- 5) It's the worst scandal American universities have faced in the past few years.
- 6) How much time will they need before they make up their minds?
- 7) Most member states had agreed to welcome refugees.
- 8) He was told to jog several times a week.
- 9) May I give you some advice? Turn your phone off at night.
- 10) Had they left earlier, they wouldn't have missed their train.

II. Expression

1) Question de compréhension.

Insecurity seems to have taken over American bikers' day-to-day lives, the journalist contends, as cycling-related deaths have recently spiked. It's as if drivers still hadn't understood that bike lanes are meant to be respected, which is all the more worrying since bike use is slowly but surely gaining traction in America, despite more people working from home since the pandemic. Still, the bike activists feel as though City Hall hardly cares about their concerns, and there's the rub, for the 50% increase in bike crash deaths in 2020 in comparison to the last decade seems to have brought about little to no change.

If anything, the journalist claims, the bike activists wish for cycling to become a safer transportation method, that's why they demand the city government install new bike lanes, and further

enforce the already existent ones. 145 words.

2) Question d'expression personnelle

Granted, the fight against climate change can surely be seen as the epitome of "failed" activism. Indeed, despite the climate consciousness that has been gaining momentum all around the world since the 1960s seems to pale into insignificance ^{given the} already-rich countries' asserted need to keep getting richer. Despite "Fridays for the Future" and Greta Thunberg having reproached rich, older generations with destroying the planet and leaving young people the uphill task coming to grips with its remains, Donald Trump still managed to step away from the 2015 Paris Agreement. Despite the COP20, COP21, COP22, Russia is still counting on global warming to free up a new commercial route in the Arctic Ocean, with its own interests in mind. Needless to say activism seems to have hit a dead end when it comes to actually having an impact on political decisions.

Still, new approaches to activism have started to become widespread which leads me to believe that governments could be further influenced in the future. As Andreas Malm points out, disruptive forms of activism are to become far more efficient in that they will get the debate up and running while forcing political decisions onto state governments. In October 2022, two teenagers splashed Van Gogh's "Sunflowers" with canned soup at the London National Gallery. Although such initiatives are undoubtedly framed upon, especially in the media, what they do is get people talking about the cause they stand for, which is precisely their intention.

I can therefore only hope such renewed approaches to activism succeed in bringing about change in government's political decisions.
255 words.

