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DATE: Monday 15th of June, 2015

TIME: 1 HOUR AND A HALF

٢- للمتقدمين في الفروع الأكاديمية.

ملحوظات: ١- أجب عن أسئلة هذه الورقة جميعها.
٢- عدد الأسئلة: (٥)، وعدد الصفحات: (٤).

Read the following text carefully, and then in your ANSWER BOOKLET answer all the questions that follow. Your answers should be based on the text.

Road tunnels, through mountains or under rivers and seas, make car journeys shorter and faster. Some of the long tunnels were incredible engineering achievements when they were first built. For example, the 11 kilometres-long Mont Blanc Tunnel between France and Italy, which was opened in 1965, massively reduced journey times between the two countries. But in recent years, with the increase in freight traffic using tunnels, there have been some terrible accidents.

So when planners were designing the 24.5 kilometre Laerdal Tunnel in Norway, safety was one of their main concerns. People have known for some time that the main factors which cause accidents in long tunnels are tiredness and claustrophobia – a fear of being in small spaces. Drivers can easily sleep in tunnels as there is nothing to keep them awake. This can lead to accidents caused by vehicles driving into the sides of the tunnel. Experts, consequently, did research to find out how they could make the 20-minute journey through their new tunnel less monotonous. After experiments, they decided to build the tunnel in four sections with "halls" between them. The halls are wider and higher than the main tunnel and have special lighting similar to a sunrise. The idea is that drivers will feel refreshed as they drive through the halls.

Question Number One: (20 points)

- A. 1. What does the underlined word "them" refer to? (2 points)
2. The design of the halls in the Laerdal Tunnel has many features that make motorists feel more lively during their journey. Write down two of these features. (2 points)
3. Find an adjective beginning with a- that cannot be used in front of a noun. (2 points)
4. There are many long road tunnels in the world. Write down two of these road tunnels. (4 points)
5. Why can motorists simply fall asleep in tunnels? (2 points)
6. Write down the sentence which indicates that the designers of the Laerdal Tunnel were especially worried about safety. (3 points)

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B. Critical Thinking: (5 points)

1. The writer states that claustrophobia is one of the factors that causes accidents in long tunnels. Suggest three methods to help people deal with their fear in long tunnels. (3 points)
2. It is expected that constructing road tunnels will likely generate several benefits to road transport and the management of its infrastructure. Think of this statement and, in two sentences, write down your point of view. (2 points)

Question Number Two: (15 points)

- A. Complete the following sentences with the suitable words derived from the words in the box below. There are more words than you need. Write the answers down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (4 points)**

remind , inefficiency , history

1. My father changed the two old boilers which are unable to generate enough steam.
2. Bacterial illnesses have been more deadly than viral ones.

- B. Choose the suitable items from those given in the box to complete the following paragraph. There are more words than you need. Write the answers down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (8 points)**

forcibly , reservoir , divert , profitable , extends , disrupted

The Three Gorges Dam in China is almost 1.5 kilometres wide while the (1) behind the dam (2) more than 500 kilometres upstream. As a result of the construction of the dam, many people have had their lives (3) because they have been (4) moved by the authorities.

- C. Study the following sentence and answer the question that follows.**

The place of a capital city is influenced by political as well as geological factors.

Replace the less formal word in the above sentence with a quite formal one. Write the new sentence down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (3 points)

Question Number Three: (13 points)

A. Correct the verbs between brackets in the following sentences then write your answers down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (4 points)

1. Instead of buying a new bicycle, why don't you have your old one? (**fix**)

2. According to our teacher's instructions all of our compositions in ink. He won't accept papers written in pencil. (**write**)

B. Rewrite the following paragraph so that the new one has a similar meaning to the one before it, and write the new paragraph down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (9 points)

Rawan is sitting in the café where Ahmad works. He tells her, "I work in this café almost every day. But yesterday I saw a famous TV presenter here for the first time. She ate ice-cream at the table where you are sitting now."

Your answer should begin from Ahmad said that ... in the following new paragraph:-

A week later Rawan is speaking to a friend on the phone: "I saw Ahmad at the café last week". **Ahmad said that**

.....

Question Number Four: (7 points)

A. Study the following sentence and answer the question that follows. Write the answer down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (3points)

I had been getting up at five o'clock all week, so on Friday I was completely exhausted.

What is the function of using the past perfect continuous in the above sentence?

B. Use the right word or phrase in the box below each pair of sentences to make only one meaningful sentence from each pair, and write it down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (4 points)

1. Students do not enjoy their independence. Leaving home for the first time can be difficult for some students.

and although , instead of , on the other hand

2. When I complained to the manager, he was very rude to me. The service in this restaurant was very slow.

instead of , in comparison with , but

Question Number Five: (15 points)

A. EDITING: (4 points)

Imagine you are an editor in the Jordan Times. You are asked to edit the following lines that have four mistakes. Find out these four mistakes and correct them.
Write the correct answers down in your ANSWER BOOKLET.

New Orleans has always been under permanent threat from flooding. Over a million inhabitants had already left the city, but tens of thousands, mainly the elderly and the poor, were in temporary shelters. as the water rose, people were begging for help and the emergency servises struggled to cope with such conditions and challenjes.

B. GUIDED WRITING: (4 points)

Read the information below, and then in your ANSWER BOOKLET, write a brief biography using all the given notes below about Najeeb Mahfouth. Use the appropriate linking words .

Name: Najeeb Mahfouth

Place/ Date of birth: Cairo, 1911

Place/ Date of death: Cairo, 2006

Profession: Novelist

Achievements: - Awarded the Nobel Prize for literature

- ~~Father~~ of modern Arabic Literature

C. FREE WRITING: (7 points)

In your ANSWER BOOKLET, write a composition of about 80 words on ONE of the following:

1. A creative work (a novel, a poem, a painting...) that has influenced the way you view the world and the way you view yourself. Describe this creative work and discuss its effects on you.
2. Some people put off enjoyment for their old age or retirement. Others have fun from day to day. Write an article expressing your opinion and mention reasons for adapting it .Give specific examples of how you think people can best satisfy and fulfill their lives and also experience success in their lives.

« THE END »

Question Number One (20 points)

A.

1. Sections. (2 points)
2. (2 points, 1 point each), any two of the followings:
 - 1) The halls are wider than the main tunnel.
 - 2) The halls are higher than the main tunnel.
 - 3) They have special lighting similar to a sunrise.
3. Awake (2 points)
4. (4 points, 2 points each)
 - 1) Mont Blanc Tunnel 2) Laerdal Tunnel
5. As there is nothing to keep them awake. (2 points)
6. So when planners were designing the 24.5 kilometre Laerdal Tunnel in Norway, safety was one of their main concerns. (3 points)

B. Critical Thinking (5 points)

1. Suggested answers (3 points)
 - Drug therapy to manage anxiety symptoms.
 - Natural medicine - natural products.
 - Relaxation exercises such as breaths and muscle - relaxing exercises.
 - Watching others interacting with the source of fear.
 - Exposing the patients to small places and helping them deal with their fear.

OR any relevant answer.

2. Suggested answers (2 points)
 - Reduction in the cost of damage to roads.
 - Reduction in the environmental impact.
 - Road transport will still be more interesting, healthier and safer than travelling in tunnels.

OR

any relevant answer.

Marking scheme:

2	showing higher order thinking, relevant answer, message clearly communicated to the reader.
1	message communicated, average level of thinking.
0	totally irrelevant or totally incomprehensible.

Question Number Two (15 points)

A. (4 points, 2 points each) 1. inefficient 2. historically

B. (8 points, 2 points each) 1. reservoir 2. extends 3. disrupted 4. forcibly

C. (3 points)

The site of a capital city is influenced by political as well as geological factors.

Question Number Three (13 points)

A. (4 points, 2 points each)

1. fixed 2. should be written\ must be written\ have to be written *ought to be written*

B. (9 points, 3 points each sentence)

Ahmad said that he worked in that café almost every day, but the day before he had seen a famous TV presenter there for the first time. She had eaten ice-cream at the table where I was sitting at that moment.

Question Number Four (7 points)

A. Repeated\ continuous action. (3 points)

Answer

B. (4 points, 2 points each)

1. Leaving home for the first time can be difficult for some students. On the other hand, students do not enjoy their independence.
2. The service in this restaurant was very slow but when I complained to the manager, he was very rude to me.

Question Number Five (15 points)

A. EDITING: (4 points, 1 point each)

1. permanent 2. As 3. services 4. challenges

B. GUIDED WRITING: (4 points)

Marking scheme:

3 - 4	comprehensive information (all the given notes) with appropriate linking words, without spelling mistakes
1 - 2	acceptable level of communicating the ideas with some grammatical and spelling mistakes

section و four sections

السؤال الأول

(A) إذا كتب الطالب (four sections) - عدديتان

(٥) الجواب النموذجية (فترة أو نقاط)

(٢) تحسب عدديتان لجميع الطلبة بشرط إجابة أو مرئحة من السؤال الأول (١)

السؤال الثاني

(A) - إذا أختار الطالب الكلمة الصحيحة نضع النظر عنه قد يخطأ أو الصفحة الصحيحة يأخذ

عدديه واحدة (نصف صيغة السؤال)

- إذا أختار الكلمة الصحيحة و هو لا يمكن سليم يأخذ العدديه ثمانية

ولا يؤثر وجود خطأ إلكتروني واحد بشرط أن لا يكون في المقطع (علاوة على

(B) إذا كتب الطالب الكلمة الصحيحة رقماً أو كتابياً ترتيب صحيح يأخذ

كما في العدديه

(C) تعتبر Site/Sites صحيحة سواء وردت في جمل أو منفردة

السؤال الثالث إذا كتبت الطالب = ought to be written

(A) - أي صيغة من قبل المجهول (فعل أو مع modal) - يأخذ عدديه واحدة

... إذا كتبت are to be written (مع) عدديه كما هو

(B) أي (٩) إجابات من الإجابة النموذجية

are written
are going to be written

السؤال الرابع

(A) أي جملة تعبر الطالب تشير إلى related to the past

①
② giving background information
بعض عدديه كما هي

(B) أي جملة واحدة على اختيار - إداة في جملة وعلامات على وضع
مركبة في الجملة

(abridged) Students do not enjoy their independence. On the other hand ...

إذا كتبت الطالب Instead of enjoying their independence for the first time can be difficult for some students.

- عند سؤال الاستفهام .
- إذا اختار الطالب الإجابة (الكلمة) المناسبة يأخذ نصف العلامة وإذا كانت الإجابة الصحيحة يأخذ العلامة الثانية .
- إذا أخطأ بحرف واحد مع اشتراط الخطأ الأضيق صحيح - وهو كالمثل
- سؤال الكلمات !
- إذا كتب الطالب الامتحان للمفردان بترتيب صحيح - يُعتمد .

* سؤال الربط

- إذا اختار الطالب كلمة الربط المناسبة ~~في~~ في سياقاته اكل يأخذ عدده بغير النظر عند دقة الإجابة .
- إذا اختار كلمة الربط المناسبة المستخدمة صحيح يأخذ تمام العلامة .

* سؤال الإرشاد الموجه (Guided Writing)

- تُعتمد الإجابة سواء كان يمكن مبهمة أو لا يمكن نكرة .

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