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المستوى الرابع – الدورة الشتوية

ملحوظات : 1- أجب عن جميع أسئلة الورقة 3- للمتقدمين للفروع الأكاديمية
2- عدد الأسئلة (5) وعدد الصفحات (4)

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.

اقرأ النص التالي وفي دفتر الإجابة أجب عن الأسئلة التي تليها. اجابتك يجب ان تعتمد على النص

Learning a foreign language

Speaking a foreign language, **it** is claimed, improves the functionality of your brain in several different ways. Learning new vocabulary and grammar rules provides the brain with beneficial ‘exercise’, which improves memory. As well as exercising the brain, it is thought that learning a new language also presents the brain with unique challenges. These include recognizing different language systems and ways to communicate within these systems. These skills improve your chances of success in other problem-solving tasks as well. It is believed that language learning can also improve your decision-making skills. When you speak a foreign language, you are constantly weighing up subtle differences in meaning of a word or the way that an utterance is made. This process is then transferred subconsciously to other situations in which judgments is called for, and decisions have to be made.

learning a foreign language can also improve your ability to use your mother tongue more effectively. As you become more aware of the way that a language works, you begin to apply it to the language that you use every day. The skills you obtain from learning a foreign language, therefore, can make you a better speaker and writer in your own language

It is said that the best way to acquire a language is to immerse yourself in it, and that’s what we offer at Extreme English: total immersion.

What exactly do you mean by ‘total immersion’?

You will stay in one of our beautiful apartments. You’ll hear and speak English all day long. You can either join a small group of other students of a similar level, or request a ‘tailor-made’ course. For example, you may require a course in academic English to prepare you for undergraduate or postgraduate studies, or a vocational course to help you with your career. Either way, you will live and work together as a family.

What will I be doing?

In the mornings, after breakfast, one or more of our trained and experienced teachers will arrive, and you will have three hours of intensive tuition. Then, after enjoying lunch together around the table, you’ll visit local places of interest, go shopping, take part in sports, etc. In the evenings, there will be a choice of cultural activities, for example the theatre or a concert, or you may prefer to relax at home and chat (in English, naturally!). Whatever you do, your teachers will be with you, acting as guides, tutors and friends.

Question number one (A)

- 1.Quote the sentence that shows that skills improve chances of success in problem solving.
2. Learning English is very important these days . Think of this statement and , in two sentences , write down your point of view.
- 3.The writer states that learning a foreign language can be beneficial . explain this statement, suggest three advantages of learning a foreign language

4. Learning a foreign language includes many skills that can help you to improve your ability in other problems-solving tasks . Write down two of these skills.
5. What does the underlined pronoun "it" refer to .
6. . In the evenings, there will be a choice of cultural activities. Write down two examples of these activities.
7. It is said that the best way to acquire a language is to immerse yourself in it. Explain this statement , suggesting three ways to learn a language

نقطة أدبية

B. Literature spot

Read the following extract from "A green cornfield" by Christina Rossetti carefully, and then in your Answer booklet answer the question that follows with reference to the poem.

اقرأ الأقتباس التالي من حقل الذرة للكاتبة كريستينا روسيتي بحذر واجب عن السؤال الذي يليها بالرجوع الى القصيدة

The cornfield stretched a tendergreen
To right and left beside my walks;
I knew he had a nest unseen
Somewhere among the million stalks.

-What does the expression of Tender .

-Find out two examples of Alliteration from the lines above.

QUESTION NUMBER TWO

A. Choose the suitable item from those given in the box to complete each of the following sentences. There are more words than you needs. Write the answers down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. أختار الكلمة المناسبة من الكلمات المعطاة في الصندوق لا كمال الجمل التالية.

halls of residence , debt, Optional , policeofficer , developed nation , minority

1. A try is a country that's economically and socially advanced. .
2. You don't have to stay after school for the chess club – it's
3. why don't students choose to avoid by staying at home, where they don't have to pay rent?
4. A lucky live in property that their parents have bought for them.
5. If you need to report a crime, speak to a

B. Complete the following sentences with the suitable words derived from the words in brackets and write the answers down in your ANSWER BOOKLET.

أكمل الجمل التالية باشتقاق الكلمة المناسبة من الكلمة الموجودة بين الأقواس

1. Studio schools are..... schools which receive funding and support from private businesses . (pioneer)
2. If you work hard ,I'm sure you will (success)
3. my father works for an That helps to protect the environment . (organize)
4. The graduation ceremony was a very..... occasion for everyone. (memory)

C. Complete the following mini-dialogue by giving Advice . then write the answer down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. اكمل نصف الحوار التالي بإعطاء نصيحة

A: I want to learn Chinese, but they don't teach it in my school.

B:

D. Study the following sentence and answer the question that follows the write the answer down in your ANSWER BOOKLET ادرس الجملة التالية واجب عن السؤال الذي يليها

During the flight, the flight attendants will serve you drinks.

-Replace the underline word with correct Gender-specific words.

Question number Three

A. Correct the verbs between brackets and then write you write it down in your ANSWER BOOKLET صحح الأفعال التي بين الأقواس

1. It is that students who study foreign languages do better in general tests. (say)
2. An introductory grammar of Jordanian Sign Language in 2004 CE. (publish)
3. Some books that were written 200 years ago just (discover)
4. salma to go to the party unless her parents agree. (not /want)

B. Complete each of the following items so that the new item has the similar meaning to the one before it, and write it down in your ANSWER BOOKLET.

1. People say that the brain is like a computer.

It.....

2. Arab mathematicians invented algebra.

Algebra..... By Arab .

3. Where **does** the bus **go** from, please? مهمة جدا

Could.....?

4. I am sorry that I didn't read that book.

I wish..... that book.

5. Fifty years ago, they hadn't invented smartphones.

Fifty years ago,

6. It would be a good idea for you to make a list of questions.

I.....

Question number four

A. Read the following situation and complete the sentences with third conditional using the word between brackets , and write it down in your ANSWER BOOKLET.

- 1- I had a headache yesterday, and I didn't do well in the Maths test. (might)
- 2- I didn't know your phone number, so I wasn't able to contact you. (could)
- 3- You had a brightly-coloured T-shirt on. That's how I noticed you in the crowd. (might not)

B. Read the following sentences and correct the underlined word with suitable.

1. If there had be email in the 1960s, people would had stopped writing letters
2. If people had have mobile phones in the past, they should have been able to communicate more easily
3. If people had know about global warming in the past, they would have solve the problem earlier
4. it has proved to is perfect student at school
5. If only I didn't lost my ticket!

Question number five

A. EDITING (4 points)

Edit the following text which has two grammar mistake, one spellingmistake, two punctuation mistakes find out these mistakes ,and write it down in your ANSWER BOOKLET

أكثر من 4 خطأ في الصندوق

It is believe that when you learn a forein language, it helps to use the language as much youcan. You should take every opportunity to engage in the conversation with a native speaker. Reading English books, or magazines also helps.

B. GUIDED WRITING (4 points)

Read the information below, and then in your ANSWER BOOKLET, write two sentences about How to revise for exams .Use the appropriate linking words such as: but, although, and ...etc.

- Look at all the subjects you have to do you should
- You should work out when you are going to work on each one
- You should Try doing a little English, followed by some Maths, then Biology
- You should changing the focus of your revision, you keep your mind freshy

C. FREE WRITING: (7points)

متوقع

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

1. Write a four-paragraph report on the education system in Jordan. Include information about school starting and leaving ages, grades, school subjects, hours and further education.
2. some students prefer studying distance learning courses and other prefer face-to-face. what advantages and disadvantages of both face-to-face and distance learning courses can you think of?

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In Finland, however, students are usually given less than half an hour of homework per night, and they attend school for fewer and shorter days than 85% of other developed nations. Despite this, they achieve top marks in subjects like Maths and Science. In addition, most students also speak at least two, and often three, languages fluently.

According to a study by the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), students in Japan, Indonesia and South Korea spend the most time studying in the world. They want to learn as much as they can to ensure excellent exam grades. They go to school for about nine hours, although this includes optional after-school tuition and activities.

A few years ago, as many as 1,000 schools across the USA started making school years longer by adding up to ten extra days to the school year or by making each school day longer by half an hour.

This was because it was found that secondary school students in the USA and the UK were spending the least time at school, with an average school year of 187 days. The typical Jordanian school year is longer than this. However, none of these are nearly as long as the school year in countries like Japan and South Korea. South Koreans attend school for 220 days per year, and in Japan, the school year numbers 243 days.

They also spend about three hours on homework every day, which is three times as much as many other countries. Their high academic achievements do suggest that the longer you study, the better you do in final exams.

Question number one (A)

- 1- 1,000 schools across the USA started making school years longer by two ways . Write them down .
2. Write down the sentence which indicates that Jordanian students attend school for more than 187 days per year.
3. There are two main differences between the Finland's students and the students of other developed nations . Write down these two differences.
5. There are many countries where students spend most their time studying, write down two of these countries.
6. Although students in Finland attend school for fewer and shorter days than 85% of other developed nations, they achieve many goals . Write down two of these goals.
8. What do the underlined words (pronouns) refer to ?

9. According to the Finland's views of study, the number and the length of school days is not the only factor in determining whether students will succeed at school or not. Suggest three factors would result in better grades for most students.

10. The longer you study, the better you do in final exams. Think of this statement, and in two sentences, write down your point of view.

B. Literature spot

Read the following extract from "A green cornfield" by Christina Rossetti carefully, and then in your Answer booklet answer the question that follows with reference to the poem.

And as I paused to hear his song
While swift the sunny moments slid,
Perhaps his mate sat listening long,
And listened longer than I did.

- Why does the female skylark might listen longer than the poet?

- Find from the stanza expression which means "fast"?

QUESTION NUMBER TWO (15 points)

A. Choose the suitable item from those given in the box to complete each of the following sentences. There are more words than you need. Write the answers down in your ANSWER BOOKLET.

Work as, Content, responsible, enthusiastic, unapologetic, come up with

1. The poet describes how she feels as she walks through a cornfield
2. The conductor is about having sold a ticket to Allahabad to the travellers, even though the train will not take them there.
3. In order to work in finance, you need to be a very person.
4. Mr Fogg remains while he negotiates the sale of the elephant.
5. Would you like to a teacher in a big school?

B. Complete the following sentences with the suitable words derived from the words in brackets and write the answers down in your ANSWER BOOKLET.

1. two of Jordan's largest exports are chemicals and (fertilise)
2. 75% of Jordan's are exported to Gulf countries. (pharmaceutical)
3. I sent my business card with my job position and qualifications into English (translation)
4. When I began, I started with the important issues. (negotiate)
5. you should know all about the that is, similar products on the market (competition)

C. Complete the following mini-dialogue by giving reason. then write the answer down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (2 points)

A: We couldn't go to the stadium to watch the match.

B:

D. Study the following sentence and answer the question that follows then write the answer down in your ANSWER BOOKLET.

1. Ahmad was to give a presentation but he **got cold feet** at the last second,
2. If you have some problem, **get it off your chest** by talking to a close friend.
3. I couldn't learn playing the piano because I have never **had a head for** music
4. **Kept your chin up!** your exam might not be as difficult as you think.
5. I don't have any plan for tomorrow. I'll just **play it by ear**.

What does the body idiom mean in these sentences.

Question number Three

A. Correct the verbs between brackets and then write you write it down in your ANSWER BOOKLET

1. When you arrive at the station next Saturday, we there to meet you. (**be**)
2. Nasser will come out with us tomorrow unless he help his father. (**have to**)
3. Ziad is not very good at basketball. He wishes he taller! (**be**)
4. If I help you with your Math's homework, you it easy. (**find**)
5. If you win the prize, how you the money? (**spend**)
6. Even if Omar passes his driving test this afternoon, he his own car. (**not /have**)
7. Mr Haddad does not understand the French businessman. If only he French. (**speak**)
8. I can't do this exercise! I wish I it. (**understand**)
9. Your new computer will last a long time as long as you careful with it. (**be**)

B. Complete each of the following items so that the new item has the similar meaning to the one before it, and write it down in your ANSWER BOOKLET.

1. Salam always puts less on her plate than I do .
I

2. Is it too late to start revising now ?

Do you know

3. What do you mean by frequent breaks?

Could you explain.....

4. Can you give me some advice about diet?

Do you mind.....

5. How did you solve this puzzle?

Could you explain

6. Why is the train late?

Do you mind telling me.....

7. The police are investigating the cause of the accident.

The police

Question number four

A. Read the following situation and complete the sentences with conditional using the word between brackets, and write it down in your ANSWER BOOKLET.

1- Jameel became a musician because his parents encouraged him. (**might not**)

2-1- Huda was very ill yesterday because of that she missed the exam. (**wouldn't**)

3- Do you usually go home or meet your friends, school finish ? (**when**)

B. Complete the following sentences by adding the correct question tag and write it down in your ANSWER BOOKLET

1. That exam wasn't very difficult,?

2. You don't speak French,?

3. You've read this book,?

4. Jameel lives in Jerash,?

C. Read the following sentence and correct the underlined word with suitable and write it down in your ANSWER BOOKLET

I haven't got as much than homework my brother. Jaber looked even, he hadn't slept very well.

Question number five

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B. GUIDED WRITING (4 points)

Read the information below, and then in your ANSWER BOOKLET, write two sentences about total immersion. Use the appropriate linking words such as: but, although, and ...etc.

- stay in one of our beautiful apartments
- hear and speak English all day long
- join a small group of other students of a similar level
- request a 'tailor-made' course

C. FREE WRITING: (7points)

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

مواضيع تعبير مهمة جدا جدا

1. How do you think your education will influence your life after school? What will you study? What career would you like to have one day? Write a paragraph of around 60 words.
2. the subjects that you are interested in studying at university. Which subjects fit into the categories Sciences, Arts and Humanities, or Business? Which are more difficult to classify? Write an email to your friend telling him or her what it is like to study. Write about 80 words.
3. Imagine that you are talking to foreign students studying at the German-Jordanian University. What do you think their experience of studying and living in Jordan has been like? Work in pairs.
4. Write paragraph about the best way to study and to revise for exams. Give some tips and good reasons to persuade your classmates to take your advice

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It is fascinating to observe the way language is absorbed by a baby. He or she quickly learns to respond to certain sounds and words, for example 'mum' or 'dad'. Then, after a few months, the baby starts to try out experimental noises and mimic sounds. A one-year-old baby can probably say a few words – and certainly understands a lot more. After two years, many children have a vocabulary of about fifty words. With twins, however, the story might be a little different. First of all, their development is sometimes slower. It is thought that this may be because some twins have less one-to-one interaction with adults than single babies have, and they spend more time communicating with each other. Secondly, some twins seem to develop their own unique language. Is known 'cryptophasia' They speak – and seem to understand – strange 'words' and sounds that nobody else can make out.

In another study, speakers of English, Spanish and Japanese were asked to watch videos of two people popping balloons, breaking eggs and spilling drinks, either on purpose or accidentally. Later, when asked to recall the videos, the English speakers mentioned the person who did the action. The Spanish and Japanese mentioned the person responsible for intentional events, but left this out when they considered that event to be an accident.

Scientists at Newcastle University, UK, have done tests to prove that different cultures also have different ways of seeing colours. They found that in Japanese, for example, there are different words for light blue and dark blue which are not found in English. Native speakers of Japanese, therefore, made a clearer distinction between colours on the spectrum.

A. Question number one

1. Write down the sentence which indicates that twins invent and speak secret language.
2. Twins develop their language slower than single babies do. Write down the reason.
3. The writer mentioned four stages of early communication. Write down two of them?
4. there are two characteristics of 'cryptophasia' languages .write down two .
5. It is important for children to learn language as fast as they can. Suggest three methods that help children to learn fast.
6. It is thought that learning in an earlier age affect the individual's personality. Think of this statement and , in two sentences , write down your point of view.
7. Find a word in the text which means "copy", make the same sound'
8. find from the text word which opposite of " single " .
9. There are many types of video that the speaker watched . write down two .
10. Replace the underlined word with suitable three part phrasal verb that has similar meaning .

B. Literature spot

Read the following extract from "Around the World in Eighty Days " by Jules Verne carefully, and then in your Answer booklet answer the question that follows with reference to the story .

'I shall go afoot.' Passepartout, who had now rejoined his master, made a wry grimace, as he thought of his magnificent, but too frail Indian shoes. After a moment's hesitation, he said, 'Monsieur, I think I have found a means of conveyance.'

1. Who is the speaker above the underlined sentence ?

2. Find from the quotation an expression which means "pain and unhappiness "

QUESTION NUMBER TWO

A. Choose the suitable item from those given in the box to complete each of the following sentences. There are more words than you needs. Write the answers down in your ANSWER BOOKLET.

Find out , look into it, got away with , vocational, leave out

1. students enter university, either for academic orcourses.
2. I usually add chocolate to the recipe when I make this cake, but as I haven't got any today, I'm going toit
3. Thank you for writing to us about the non-delivery of your parcel. We promise to immediately.
4. Adnan was late for the meeting, but heit.
5. That's amazing news! How did youit ?

B. Complete the following sentences with the suitable words derived from the words in Box and write the answers down in your ANSWER BOOKLET.

Dominance , depend , experienced

- 1 Have you had any of learning another language?
- 2 Is one side of the brain morethan the other?
- 3 Whether or not you remember something that you have learnt in the past..... on the experience you had while you were learning it.

B. Study the following sentence and answer the question that follows the write the answer down in your ANSWER BOOKLET.

For centuries, mankind has preserved culture through story telling in books .

***Replace the underline word with correct Gender-neutral words**

D. Study the following sentence and answer the question that below. Write the answer down in your ANSWER BOOKLET.

In order to be fluent in Arabic, Anita put her back into learning it.

What does the underlined body idiom mean?

E. Study the following sentence and answer the question that follows. (2 points)

Mr. Ramzi: "If only I had researched about Chinese culture."

What is the function of Mr. Ramzi's sentence?

QUESTION NUMBER THREE (13 points)

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

- 1 I feel ill. I wish I so many sweets! (not eat)
- 2 If there..... something I don't understand, I usually ask my teacher (be)
- 3 Provided that it, we will have a picnic next week.(not, rain)
- 4 Jordan needs to import a lot of oil. If only itlarger oil reserves. (has)
- 5 Even if I'm tired tonight, I my homework .(do)

B. Study the following sentence and answer the question that follows.

When you write a summary of a newspaper article, you should give the essential information, and **leave out** minor details.

What does the underlined phrasal verb mean?

C. Complete each of the following items so that the new item has the similar meaning to the one before it, and write it down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (7 points)

1. Please help me to plan my revision.
Do you mind
2. Someone sent her a cheque for a thousand euros.
She
3. People believe that English is the most widely spoken language.
English
4. I hope I can come up with a way of solving this puzzle.
I hope I can a way of solving this puzzle.
5. My advice to you is that you ought to study more.
If
6. Fadia is cleverer than anyone else in the class.
Fadiain the class.
7. Our team didn't play very well yesterday.
If only

QUESTION NUMBER FOUR (7 points)

A. Read the following situations and complete the sentences with the third conditional, using the word in brackets. Write the answers down in your ANSWER BOOKLET.

1. You introduced her to me some months ago, that's why we became friends.
.....
2. You missed the party and you didn't meet my friends.
.....

B. Complete each of the following sentences by adding the correct question tag to the end of each of them. Write the answers down in your ANSWER BOOKLET.

- 1 She wasn't there yesterday,?
- 2 We should try to help,?
- 3 Don't do that again,?

QUESTION NUMBER FIVE (15 points)

A. EDITING (5 points)

Imagine you are an editor in the Jordan Times. You are asked to edit the following lines that have five mistakes (one grammar mistake, two punctuation mistakes and two spelling mistakes), find it out these five mistakes and correct them. Write the correct answers down in your ANSWER BOOLET

it was a company that provides financial products – savings and pentions, mostly. At first I just ‘shadowed’ different people, watching what they were doing. Then I did quite a lot of checking for them – you know, checking their calcolations. When I go back in the summer. I was in the sales department. My job was to follow up web enquiries, and send out further information to possible clients.

B. GUIDED WRITING (3 points)

Read the information below, and then in your ANSWER BOOKLET, write two sentences about the purposes of Studio schools.

- deliver specific courses
- offer required practical qualifications
- Encourage students' employability and reliability.

C. FREE WRITING (7 points)

In your ANSWER BOOKLET, write a formal letter about 120 words to your head teacher to convince him to make some decisions to end up the behavior of irresponsible drivers in front of your school's gate.

THE END

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