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GENERAL ENGLISH  
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(وثيقة محمية / محدود)

DATE: Sunday, 15<sup>th</sup> January, 2017

TIME: 1 HOUR AND A HALF

ملحوظات: ١- أجب عن أسئلة هذه الورقة جميعها. ٢- للمتقدمين في الفروع الأكاديمية. ٣- عدد الأسئلة: (٥)، وعدد الصفحات (٤).

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

The amount of sleep human beings need varies from individual to individual. We know that most adults need about 8 hours of sleep a day, but this number can vary greatly; 'short sleepers' may need only 5 hours, whereas 'long sleepers' may need 9 to 10 hours. Babies need about 16 hours a day while many teenagers need an average of 9 hours. As people get older they tend to need less sleep; some elderly people wake up early in the morning and cannot sleep for more than five or six hours. Exactly how much we need depends on several factors, including our age, our daily routine and our genetic make-up.

So why is it important that we get enough sleep? Sleep provides our bodies with a chance to switch off. This allows us to recharge our mental and physical batteries and be ready for each new day. People who have been deprived of sleep find it difficult to wake up in the morning and perform the simplest activities. For example, motorists who fall asleep at the wheel are responsible for thousands of traffic accidents every year.

How we sleep also affects us. When we fall asleep, our sleep can be deep and restful or light and shallow. Shallow sleepers wake up still feeling tired and drowsy, while deep sleepers wake up alert and rested.

**Question Number One: (20 points)**

1. The amount of sleep that we need is affected by different factors. Write down two of these factors. **(4 points)**
2. Two negative consequences may appear on shallow sleepers as a result of a light sleep. Write these two negative consequences down. **(4 points)**
3. Quote the sentence which indicates that human beings do not have the same amount of sleep. **(3 points)**
4. Find a word in the text which means "renew". **(2 points)**
5. What does the underlined word "they" refer to? **(2 points)**
6. Some people do not get enough sleep regularly. Suggest three possible tips for better sleep. **(3 points)**
7. Good sleep prevents some kinds of diseases. Think of this statement and, in two sentences, write down your point of view. **(2 points)**

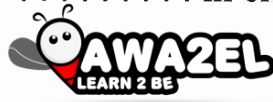
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**Question Number Two: (15 points)**

**A. Choose the suitable item from those given in the box to complete each of the following sentences and write it down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (8 points)**

do , bang , dearest and nearest , make , overcrowding

1. Huda is planning to invite all her ..... friends to her graduation party.
2. I just heard the door ..... it sounded as if someone left in a hurry.
3. Students will have to ..... special effort if they want to pass the exams.
4. Rural depopulation can lead to ..... in cities as well as for fewer people in country areas.



**B. Study the following sentence and answer the question that follows. (3 points)**

Tomorrow , I'm planning to spend the whole day on the beach.

**Replace the less formal word in the above sentence with a quite formal one. Write the answer down in your ANSWER BOOKLET.**

**C. Complete the following sentences with the suitable words derived from the words in brackets and write the answers down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (4 points)**

1. My English teacher uses a wide ..... of oral exercises to improve our speaking skills.( vary)
2. Careless drivers can seriously ..... the safety of pedestrians .( threat)

**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. Fiona had ..... sleepless nights and feeling very nervous. ( be, have)
2. Muna didn't freeze the meat. She had it ..... (freeze )

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**B. Complete each of the following items so that the new one has a similar meaning to the one before it and write it down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (9 points)**

1. " Have you seen my new flash memory?"

Nawal asked Rami .....



2. " I will send my homework to my teacher through emails ."

Safwan said that .....

3. The patient must take the medicine on time .

The medicine .....

### **Question Number Four: (7 points)**

**A. 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. I was lost in the jungle. I followed the guide's instructions carefully.

**whereas , instead of , although**

2. English has just five vowel sounds. Some languages have 30 or more.

**Instead of, although , whereas**

**B. Study the following mini-dialogue the question that follows. Write the answer down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (3 points)**

**Hatem :** The best way to lose weight is to exercise regularly.

**Majed:-** You're right

**What is the function of Hatem's statement in the above sentence?**

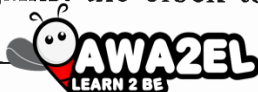
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**Question Number Five: (15 points)**

**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.**

Some of the most important hestorical sites in the world will be destroyed if sea levels rise. The destruktion will be particularly serious in low-lying cities. in some places archaeologists are working against the clock to explore sites before they are lost beneath the water forever.



**B. GUIDED WRITING: (4 points)**

**Read the information in the table below, and then in your ANSWER BOOKLET, write two sentences about how to improve your social skills. Use the appropriate linking words such as: and, but, in addition to, on the other hand... etc.**

How to improve your social skills ...
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• start conversation effectively.</li><li>• use body language.</li><li>• choose words effectively.</li><li>• talk to more people.</li></ul>

**C. FREE WRITING: (7 points)**

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

1. The population of most cities is growing as people move to cities to find work and new opportunities. Write an article to your school magazine discussing what problems does overpopulation in cities cause and how can these problems be solved.
2. The amount of time spend on sport and exercise should be increased in schools in order to tackle the problem of overweight children. Write an article to your school magazine discussing the causes of overweight and suggesting solutions how to tackle this problem.

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**Question Number One (20 points)**

1. (4 points, 2 points each, any two of the following)

1)our age 2)our daily routine 3)our genetic make-up

2. (4 points, 2 points each)

1. feeling tired
2. drowsy



3. The amount of sleep human beings need varies from individual to individual .

(3 points)

4. recharge (2 points)

5. people (2 points)

6. Any relevant answer. (3 points, 1 point each)

7. Any relevant answer. (2 points)

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. (8 points, 2 points each)**

- 1. dearest and nearest
- 2. bang
- 3. make
- 4. overcrowding

**B. Tomorrow , I'm planning to spend the entire day on the beach. (3 points)**

**C. (4 points, 2 points each)**

- 1. variety
- 2. threaten

**Question Number Three (13 points)**

**A. (4 points, 2 points each)**

- 1. had been having
- 2. frozen

**B. (9 points, 3 points each)**

- 1. if he had seen her new flash memory.
- 2. he would send his homework to his teacher through emails.
- 3. must be taken on time.

**Question Number Four (7 points)**

**A. (4 points, 2 points each)**

- 1. I was lost in the jungle although I followed the guides instructions carefully.

**Or**

Although I followed the guides instructions carefully, I was lost in the jungle.

- 2. English has just five vowel sounds whereas some languages have 30 or more.

**Or**

Some languages have 30 or more whereas English has just five vowel sounds

**B. giving advice (3 points)**

**Question Number Five (15 points)**



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

- (1) historical
- (2) destruction
- (3) In
- (4) archeologists

**B. GUIDED WRITING: (4 points)**

**Marking scheme:**

3 – 4	comprehensive information with appropriate linking words, without spelling mistakes
1 – 2	acceptable level of communicating the ideas with some grammatical and spelling mistakes
0	miscommunication of the ideas, a lot of grammatical and spelling mistakes

**C. FREE WRITING: (7 points)**

Open answer

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