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DATE: Wednesday 13th of January, 2010

٢) للمتقدمين لجميع القروع الأكاديمية.

TIME:1 HOUR AND A HALF ملحوظات: ١) أجب عن جميع أسنلة هذه الورقة.

٣) عدد صفحات هذا الامتحان (٤) صفحات وعدد الأسئلة (٣)

SECTION ONE: READING (35 points)

PART ONE: READING COMPREHENSION: (23 POINTS)

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.

Now people are beginning to pay attention to Toffler's prediction, because the speed of change is accelerating rapidly. What should you do? First of all, don't panic. Take a deep breath and try to get a sense of the good things the future has to offer.

You don't need to be a genius to predict the job areas which will be most affected by technological change. Farming, mining and heavy industry are all doing badly. On the other hand, the media and science are doing really well.

Without doubt, the number of jobs in information technology will rise dramatically. There are currently over 100 million computers in the world and by 2020 the number will be around one billion. Because of this, computer programmers will be in much greater demand.

There are also many other important changes taking place in the workplace. First, the job market is getting more and more competitive and the idea of a "job for life" has already become old-fashioned. Because of this, workers will have to be more flexible.

In the same way, companies will change, and they will require people who are flexible and responsible. They will also need people who can work co-operatively.

English will probably remain the international business language, so learning Russian or Chinese is not a priority. However, understanding other people, their minds, culture and history will be vital.

New technology is the driving force behind the rapidly changing workplace, so don't get left behind. You don't need to become a computer expert, but you must consider improving your computer skills.

Question Number One (18 points)

A. 1. Why have people become interested in Toffler's prediction?

(3 points)

- 2. According to paragraph five, people who are mostly needed to work in companies should have certain skills. Write down two of these skills. (4 points)
- Write down the sentence which indicates that developing one's computer skills is more important than becoming a computer expert. (3 points)
- 4. Find a word in the second paragraph which means "the means of communication, e.g. television, radio, the press". (2 points)
- 5. What does the underlined word "which", in the second paragraph, refer to? (2 points)
- 6. The writer thinks that the number of jobs in information technology will rise dramatically. Is he justified in this? Explain.

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B. Critical Thinking (2 points)

The idea of a "job for life" has already become old-fashioned. Think of this statement and, in two sentences, write your point of view.

Question Number Two (5 points)

Literature Spot

Read the following quotation from "A Horse and Two Goats" by R.K. Narayan carefully, then in your ANSWER BOOKLET answer the questions that follow with reference to the story.

"Isn't this statue yours? Why don't you sell it to me? Muni understood the reference to the horse."

1. Who is the speaker in the quotation?

(3 points)

2. What is Muni's attitude towards the future?

(2 points)

PART TWO: VOCABULARY: (12 points)

Question Number Three (12 points)

- A. Using the dictionary entry below, choose the correct form of the word to fill in the blanks. Write the answers in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (4 points)
 - 1. He always gives his help very

generosity: (n.) the quality of being generous. generous:(adj.) ready to give freely.

2. My uncle was so ----- that he bought presents for everybody.

generously: (adv.) acting in a generous manner.

B. Study the following dictionary entry and answer the question that follows. Write the answer in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (2 points)

What does the multi-part verb go back mean in the following sentence?

Because of the heavy rain, the children were allowed to go back home earlier.

go back

- return
- break a promise
- C. Choose the best answer from those given to complete each of the following items and write it down in your ANSWER BOOKLET, (6 points)

isolate, cultures, jobs, literate

In Jordan, most of the people are -----; they can read and write. Jordanians respect people from other ------. Young people are interested in different kinds of ----- such as farming, teaching, and engineering.

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SECTION TWO: WRITING: (35 points)
PART THREE: STRUCTURES AND FUNCTIONS: (20 points)
Question Number Four (12 points)
 A. Correct the verbs between brackets then write down your answers in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (4 points)
1. The theatre was so small that they refused any more people in. (let) 2. If Ali his friend's advice, he would have saved time and effort. (take)
B. Choose the suitable item from those given to complete each of the following items and write it down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (8 points)
I. I know you very well. You can finish this project without mistakes. (doing, making, taking)
 To protect environment from air pollution, people use their cars so much. (shouldn't have, shouldn't, must)
3. Could you tell me where?
(is the post office, the post office is, was the post office)
4. Salma is telling the truth,?
(is she, isn't she, doesn't she)
Question Number Five (8 points)
A. Complete each of the following items so that the new item has a similar meaning
to the one before it, and write it down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (4 points)
1. Ahmad: "Have you ever worked during the summer holiday?"
Ahmad asked Sami
2. I regret I didn't pass my driving test.
I wish
B. Choose the suitable items to fill in the blanks. Write the answers in your ANSWER BOOKLET, (3 points)
have to, had to, to find, decide, finding, decided
If you to study abroad, don't expect ready solutions for every problem. You consider different things.
C. Complete the following dialogue by adding <u>a polite disagreement</u> . Write the answer in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (1 point)
A. I think that university students shouldn't put on uniform. B,

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PART FOUR: EDITING, GUIDED AND FREE WRITING: (15 points)

Question Number Six (15 points)

A. EDITING: (3 points)

Imagine you are an editor in the Jordan Times. You are asked to edit the following lines that have three mistakes. Correct the mistakes and write the answers in your ANSWER BOOKLET.

<u>tourists</u>(1) can enjoy <u>tastev</u>(2) food in Jordan. They can also visit a lot of <u>marvelous</u>(3) tourist attractions in the country.

B. GUIDED WRITING: (5 points)

Read the information in the table below, and then in your ANSWER BOOKLET, write two sentences showing the differences between the country and the city. Use the appropriate linking words such as: and, but......etc

	Different Places
City	more facilities, better means of transport, modern houses
Country	green fields, clean environment, attractive scenes

C, FREE WRITING: (7 points)

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

- "A library is an everlasting source of knowledge." Write an essay describing how
 your school library enriches your knowledge of the world of science, technology,
 and the arts. Explain how teachers encourage you to use the library and keep the
 books in a good condition. And finally suggest what should be done to expand its
 services to the local community.
- You participated in a voluntary programme in your local community. Write a letter to your friend in England describing the activities you were involved in; why you have chosen these activities; and how they developed your personal skills.

(Your name is Nihad. Your address is P.O. Box 1646, Amman, Jordan)

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	1	message communicated, average level of thinking.
	0	totally irrelevant or totally incomprehensible.
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B. GUIDED WRITING: (5 points)

Marking scheme:

5 – 4	comprehensive information with appropriate linking words, without spelling mistakes
3 – 2	acceptable level of communicating the ideas with some grammatical and spelling mistakes
1-0	miscommunication of the ideas, a lot of grammatical and spelling mistakes

C. FREE WRITING: (7 points)

Open answer

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