



**THE HASHIMATE KINGDOM OF JORDAN-MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
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GENERAL ENGLISH**

الدورة الشتوية/المستوى الثالث/الكتاب الجديد

الشكل العام للأسئلة مأخوذ من أسئلة وزارة التربية و التعليم بقصد تدريب الطالب على نمط الاسئلة

DATE: 2017 / 11 / 28

TIME: 1 HOUR AND HALF

1- اجب عن اسئلة هذه الروقة جميعها. 2- للمتقدمين للفروع الاكاديمية. 3- عدد الاسئلة: (5), و عدد الصفحات (4).

Jordan has a very rich cultural heritage thanks to the support of the Department of Culture and the Arts, which was founded in 1966 CE. Since then, the department has built up an exciting, ongoing programme of cultural activities related to all the arts: music, visual arts, performing arts and the written word. In 1979 CE, the Royal Society of Fine Arts was established to promote visual arts in Jordan and other countries in the region. It has links with major art galleries around the world in order to encourage artists from different cultures to learn from each other.

The Jordan National Gallery of Fine Arts is one of the most important art museums in the Middle East. The collection includes over 2,000 works of art, including paintings, sculptures, photographs, installations, textiles and ceramics, by more than 800 artists from 59 countries. In 2013 CE, it held Jordan's largest art exhibition called '70 Years of Contemporary Jordanian Art'.

Until the 1990s, most Jordanian literature was only available in Arabic. However, thanks to PROTA, many Jordanian plays, novels, short stories and poems are now translated into English, and people all over the world are able to read and appreciate them. Every year, the (UNESCO) chooses a different Arab city as the Arab Cultural Capital. In 2002 CE, the city of Amman was awarded this title. Jordan has a centuries-old musical heritage. The National Music Conservatory opened in 1986 CE, making it possible for more Jordanian students to study music seriously.

Question Number One (23 points)

(4points)

- A.1. The Jordan National Gallery of Fine Arts includes a collection over two thousands works of arts. Write down four of these arts. **(3points)**
2. The department of Cultures and the Arts has established continuous programme of cultural activities. Write down three of these activities. **(3points)**
3. Quote the sentence, which shows that Jordanian students are able to study music after the year 1986. **(2points)**
4. Find a word from the text which means "**types of cloth or woven fabric**".
5. What does the underlined pronoun "**this**" refer to? **(2points)**
6. Do you think that it is important for a country to keep producing traditional handicrafts? In two sentences write down your point of view. **(3points)**

7. 'To truly understand a country's culture, you have to understand its artistic heritage.' Do you agree or disagree? Justify your answer.

(2points)

B. Literature spot: (4 points)

Read the following stanza about *All the world a stage* then answer the questions that follow.

At first, the infant,
Mewling and puking in the nurse's arms.
Then the whining schoolboy, with his satchel
And shining morning face, creeping like snail
Unwillingly to school... .

1. Which simile does the playwright use to describe the schoolboy as he walks to school? (2points)
2. How does the poet convey the image of a boy? (2points)

Question Number Two: (15 points)

A. Choose the suitable item for those given in the box to complete each of the following sentences. There are more words than you need. Write your answers down in your ANSWER BKKOLET. (8points)

Headlines, ailment, self-confidence, pedestrian, contemporary

1. A place where no cars are allowed is a car- free zone, and it is friendly.
2. We went to a concert yesterday. The music was written by a new young composer, so it was
3. Headaches and colds are common s, especially in winter.
4. I always look at the newspaper, but I don't always read the articles.

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

Luckily, the police arrived and the thief was caught white elephant.

Replace the underlined colour idiom with the correct one?

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

1. Scholars have discovered andocument from the twelfth century. (origin).
2. Thank you for your help, I really it. (appreciation).

Question Number Three: (11 points)

A. Choose the suitable item from those given to complete each of the following sentences and write it down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (5points)

1. All living creatures need water to survive.
(the, an, X)
2. Don't give personal information to people you don't know.
(up, out , about)
3. Ahmad: "I am writing an email to my friend."
Ahmad said that he an email to his friend.
(write, wrote, was writing)
4. London Is the capital of the UK, is a huge city.
(where, which ,when)
5. This time next year, they for their final exams.
(will prepare, will be preparing, will have prepared)

B. Complete each of the following items so that the new item has a similar one to the one before it, and write it down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (6points)

1. The heat made the journey unpleasant.
It was
2. Press that button to make the picture move.
If you
3. Ali intends to finish his project tonight.
Ali

Question Number Four: (8 points)

A. The following sentence contains one item that isn't used correctly. Replace this item with the correct one, and write the answers down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (2points)

She's lived in the UK for a year. She used to speaking English now.

B. the following sentences are in British English. Rewrite them in American English and write them down in your ANSWER BOOKLET.

(4points)

1. Have you seen the textile workshop yet?
.....
2. My brother bought a new flat with fine colours inside.
.....

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

Some robots will look and **sound very like humans**, because technology will have advanced a great deal.

Identify the type of rhetorical device used in the above sentence?

Question Number Five: (18 points)

A. EDITING (4POINTS)

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

In conclusion, the benefits of Masdar City for the community and the environment greatly outweigh any disadvantages. If the aims of the developers are realized. Masdar City will be a blueprint for future urban planning that would inspire similar megaprojects in other countries.

B. GUIDED WRITING (4points)

Read the information below, and then in your ANSWER BOOKLET , write two sentences using the given notes about Giralda tower. Use the appropriate linking words.

Location : Seville ,Spain.

Date of construction: in 1198 .

Purpose of building: a minaret.

Description of the building: 104 meters tall.

Similar buildings: Koutoubia mosque in Marrakesh, Hassan tower in Rabat.

C. FREE WRITING (10points)

In your ANSWER BOOKLET, write a composition of about 120 words on ONE of the following.

1. Health conditions in Jordan are among the best in the Middle East. Write an essay about health care facilities in your area, suggesting some ideas for improving these facilities.

2. Write a summary paragraph about someone from the past who made an important achievement. Write what it is that made them famous.