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(وليقة محمية/محدود)

DATE: Sunday 21st of January, 2018

٢- للمتقدمين في الفروع الأكاديمية والمهنية (جامعات).

TIME: 1 HOUR AND A HALF

ملحوظات: ١- أجب عن أسئلة هذه الورقة جميعها.

٣- 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.

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.

You have to determine two things before attending such a course; the duration of the course you wish to attend and the nature of the course whether academic or vocational.

After joining the course, 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.

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 (22 points)

- A. 1. In the evenings, students at *Extreme English* can practice some activities. Write down two of these activities. (2 points)
2. Before arriving to carry out a course at *Extreme English*, students have to make two decisions. Write down these two decisions. (4 points)
3. Quote the sentence which shows how teachers can support their students at *Extreme English*. (3 points)
4. Find a word in the text that means "to be deeply involved in something and spend most of your time doing it". (3 points)
5. What does the underlined word "it" refer to? (2 points)
6. Learning a foreign language comes up with different kinds of struggles and obstacles. Write down three possible obstacles a person may face while learning a foreign language. (3 points)

7. It is said that anyone who keeps learning stays young. Think of this statement and, in two sentences, write down your point of view. (2 points)

B. Literature Spot: (3 points)

Read the following lines from *Around the World in Eighty Days* carefully, then answer the questions that follow:

"Not at all, but I knew that some obstacle or other would sooner or later arise on my route. Nothing, therefore, is lost. I have two gained days to sacrifice. A steamer leaves Calcutta for Hong Kong at noon, on the 25th."

1. What form of transport is a **steamer**? (1 point)
2. Write down the two cities which are mentioned in the above lines? (2 points)

Question Number Two (16 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. (8 points)

rewarding , dialects , recall , gross domestic product , developed nation

1. Spoken and sign languages have different ----- and registers in every country.
2. Tourism is one of Jordan's biggest contributors to -----.
3. The main feature of a ----- is that it is socially and economically advanced.
4. Doing volunteer work can be a very ----- experience for everyone.

- B. Replace the underlined misused collocation in the following sentence with the correct one. Write the answer down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (2 points)

If you send money to charity, you will do exercise to a lot of lives.

- C. Choose the suitable item from those given to complete each of the following sentences and write it down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (6 points)

1. Maha shows great ----- for her new job as a lawyer in the court.
(enthusiasm , enthusiastic , enthusiastically)
2. Our national team is now well- ----- for the second round of the competition.
(qualify , qualification , qualified)
3. With children, it is important to ----- the right balance between love and discipline.
(achieve , achieved , achievable)

Question Number Three (12 points)

A. Correct the verbs between brackets then write your answers down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (6 points)

1. Sign language ----- in the 16th century. (invent)
2. Ali will be upset, if you ~~don't~~ him to your party. (not, invite)

B. 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. (6 points)

1. The electronic newspapers are not as acceptable as the ordinary ones.
The ordinary newspapers are as popular as the electronic.
2. "What can't we bring onto the plane?"
Could you tell me what we can't -----?
3. My English teacher says that English clubs are essential for learning English well.
English clubs -----.

Question Number Four (10 points)

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

1. We need to decide ----- a place to meet.
(into , on , at about)
2. I always have to get home early, I wish my parents ----- me stay out later.
(lets , won't let , would let , will let)
3. The English alphabet doesn't have 40 letters, -----?
(does it , did it , doesn't it , didn't it)
4. When Omar gave a speech, the class looked at ----- in admiration.
(he , his , him , them)
5. During Ramadan, Muslims eat ----- the sun sets.
(as long as , unless , when , even if)

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 (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**.

Nutrision is very important. You should try to eat as much fresh fruit and vegetables as you can. It was essential not to become dehydrited, so drink lots of water.

GUIDED WRITING (4 points)

Read the information in the table below, and then in your **ANSWER BOOKLET**, write two sentences using all the given notes about what one can do in a free time. Use the appropriate linking words.

What one can do in a free time ...
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • visiting cultural locations. • exercising and playing a sport. • going shopping. • spending time with friends.

FREE WRITING (7 points)

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

1. A few decades ago, many families had half a dozen or more children. Nowadays more and more families are choosing to have three or four children. Are small families better than large ones? Why or why not? Write an article expressing your opinion and support it with specific reasons.
2. Computers become a tool in education for even youngest children. Do you believe that computers have a value in education or not? Write a letter to your friend convincing him / her of your opinion.

THE END