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TIME: 1 HOUR AND A HALF

ملحوظات:1- أجب عن أسئلة هذه الورقة جميعها. 2- للمتقدمين في الفروع الأكاديمية. 3- عدد الاسئلة: (5)، وعدد الصفحات (4).

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

Health conditions in Jordan are among the best in the Middle East. **This** is largely due to the country's commitment to making healthcare for all a top priority. Advances in education, economic conditions, sanitation, clean water, diet and housing have made our community healthier.

Healthcare centers

As a result of careful planning, the number of healthcare services has been increasing rapidly over the past years. More than 800 different kinds of healthcare centres have been built, as well as 188 dental clinics. In 2012 CE, 98 per cent of Jordanian children were fully immunized, thanks to immunisation teams that had been working towards this goal for several years.

Although there were remote areas of the country where people had been without consistent access to electricity and safe water, almost 99 per cent of the country's population now has access

Hospitals

Although the country has been focusing mainly on improving its primary healthcare facilities, it has not neglected its advanced medical facilities. The reputation of Jordanian doctors has spread in the region, and now many more patients come to Jordan for open heart surgery. In Jordan, the open heart surgery programme started in 1970 CE in Amman.

Life expectancy

The life expectancy figures show that Jordan's healthcare system is successful. In 1965 CE, the average Jordanian's life expectancy was age 50. In 2016 CE, this average life expectancy had risen to 74.6. According to UNICEF statistics, between 1981 CE and 1991 CE, Jordan's infant mortality rates declined more rapidly than anywhere else in the world – from 70 deaths per 1.000 births in 1981 CE to only 15 deaths per 1.000 births in 2016 CE

Conclusion

The low infant mortality rate, as well as the excellent healthcare system, have been contributing factors to Jordan's healthy population growth, which will result in a strong work force with economic benefits for the whole country next decades.

**Question Number one”**

- A**
1. The healthy population growth in Jordan leads to several positive results. Write them down
  2. There are many factors that have made our community healthier. Write down two of these factors.
  3. Find a phrasal verb which means "the death among babies”
  4. Quote the sentence which shows the date and place of starting the open heart surgery programme.
  5. What does the underlined pronoun "**This**" refer to?

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6. People who lived in remote areas of the country had been without consistent access of two services. Write them down.
7. According to the report, the life expectancy numbers show that Jordan's healthcare system is successful. Give two examples from the report.
8. There have been two contributing factors to Jordan's healthy population. Write them down.
9. "Are happier people healthier – and, if so, why"? Think of this question and in two points write your point of view.

**B. Literature spot:**

**Read the following lines from "All the World's Stage" by William Shakespeare carefully, then answer the questions that follow:**

Then a soldier,  
 Full of strange oaths and bearded like the pard,  
 Jealous in honor, sudden and quick in quarrel,  
 Seeking the bubble reputation  
 Even in the cannon's mouth,

1. What does the playwright suggest about the character of the soldier? Justify your answer
2. Find a word in the speech that refers to a weapon used by soldiers.
3. Which rhetorical device is used in these lines?

**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 need. Write the answers down in your ANSWER BOOKLET.**

**Arthritis,      sceptical,      immunisation,      allergy,      ailment**

1. Jordan government has raised an advertisement to all health care facilities to give a proper ..... to all Syrian children.
2. You should try to eat as much fresh fruit and vegetables as you can to avoid many ..... such as colds and influenzas, especially in winter.
3. My little son has an ..... to milk and cheese.
4. I don't really believe that story – I'm very .....

**B. Study the following sentences and answer the question that follows. Write the answer down in your ANSWER BOOKLET.**

Stop worrying about this issue as everything had passed, so you must **bounce back** your work.

**Replace the underlined phrase with the suitable meaning**

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

1. Simply, the best way to predict future is to ..... it.

**invent, inventive, invention**

2. Developing ..... thinking is being encouraged at schools in Jordan. (create)

**create, creative, creation**

3. My..... is based on my previous experience dealing with these people.

**optimism, optimistic, optimistically**

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

1. I'm..... English fluently in front of many people. I am an Arabic teacher.

**used to speaking, used to speak, not used to speaking**

2. The alphabet transcription of /eksəsaIz/ is .....

**exercise, examples, existence**

3. Medicines that are normal and accepted treatments are known as..... approach.

**complementary, conventional, herbal**

4. The managing director's resignation came .....

**White elephant, a bit of blue, Out of blue,**

5. I made my mother a cup of tea, she ..... all day the arrangements for my brother's birthday

**has been preparing, had been preparing, has prepared**

6. It's important to **focus on** your strengths and to minimize your weaknesses. What does the underlined phrasal verb mean.

**carry on, depend on, concentrate on**

7. If you have a ....., the best thing to do is take some medicine and rest somewhere quiet.

**migraine, arthritis. allergies**

**Question Number three**

**A. Correct the verb between brackets then write your answers down in your ANSWER BOOKLET.**

1. Ahmad and I ..... having breakfast before going to office. (be, use)

2. The sign language system ..... in France during the seventeenth century. (develop)

3. My uncle retired a month ago. He ..... nothing to do all day. He says he needs a project to concentrate on. (not, use to, have)

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**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.**

1. It was normal for Tolai to have a lot of coffee. Therefore, she didn't have a problem with going to sleep afterwards.

Tolai .....

2. Nael started waiting for you at 1 p.m. It's now 2.p.m and he's still waiting

Nael..... since 1 p.m.

3. He isn't planning to study modern languages when finishes school.

He .....

**Question Number Four :**

**A. The following sentence contains two items that are not used correctly. Replace these items with the correct ones, and write the answers down in your ANSWER BOOKLET.**

I feel green when I heard that the national park was closed, because I am used to go there when I were younger.

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

**The best course of action** would be to analyse the content of this report in details.

**What is the function of using "the best course of action" in the above sentence?**

**Question Number Five:**

**Imagine you are an editor in the Jordan Times. You are asked to edit the following lines that have four mistakes (two grammar mistakes, one punctuation mistake and two spelling mistake).**

**Find out these mistakes and correct them. Write the correct answers down in your ANSWER BOOKLET.**

in many countries, an increasing number of young people and adults are overweight or even obese,. One reason for this is the growing popularity of fast food, which didn't used to be as common as it is now. Another big factor is lack of excrise. People will often walk to school or work, but these days many more of us drive

**GUIDED WRITING**

**Read the information in the table below, and then in your ANSWER BOOKLET, write two sentences using all the given notes below about the possible effects of anger. Use the appropriate linking words.**

the possible effects of anger
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Raise your blood pressure</li><li>• Cause sleep problem</li><li>• Cause digestive problems</li></ul>

**C. FREE WRITING**

**In your ANSWER BOOKLET, write a composition of about 120 words on the following: Health conditions in Jordan are among the best in the Middle East. Write a report about health facilities in your area. How do you think these health facilities help the people in your area?**

**THE END**

### Answers for Question One (A)

1. A strong work force with economic benefits for the whole country next decades
2. Advances in education, economic conditions, sanitation, clean water, diet and housing have made our community healthier.
3. Infant Mortality
4. In Jordan, the open heart surgery programme started in 1970 CE in Amman
5. Health conditions in Jordan are among the best in the Middle East
6. Electricity and water.
7. The average Jordanian's life expectancy was age 50. In 2012 CE, this average life expectancy had risen to 74.6. Jordan's infant mortality rates declined more rapidly than anywhere else in the world – from 70 deaths per 1.000 births in 1981 CE to only 15 deaths per 1.000 births in 2016 CE.
8. The low infant mortality rate, as well as the excellent healthcare system
9. I think happier people are healthier than unhappy people. They have a better perspective on life and will do almost everything with an optimistic attitude. Because of this, I think that they will make healthy positive decisions in life; for example they will choose to eat well and exercise more often.

### No. One (B)

1. He is aggressive and gets angry or violent easily, because, the soldier is 'jealous in honour, sudden and quick in quarrel'. He is also 'seeking the bubble reputation' (he does things that make him look good even if they are pointless) 'Even in the cannon's mouth' (even if it means standing in front of guns, i.e. going to war or getting into fights)
2. Canon
3. Shakespeare is comparing a soldier to a leopard

### Question No. Two (A)

Immunisation Ailment allergy sceptical

### Answers for Question Number Two (B)

to start to be successful again after a difficult time

### Answers for Question Number Two (C)

invent, creative, optimism

### Answers for Question Number Two (D)

1. Not used to speaking,
2. exercise,
3. conventional
4. Out of blue
5. Had been preparing
6. migraine
7. concentrate on

### Question No. three (A)

are used to, was developed, didn't use to have

### Question No. three (B)

1. Tolai used to have a lot of coffee. Therefore, she didn't have a problem with going to sleep afterwards. OR Tolai wasn't used to having a lot of coffee. Therefore, she didn't have a problem with going to sleep afterwards.
2. Nael has been waiting for you since 1 p.m.
3. He doesn't intend to study modern languages when finishes school.

### Answers for Question Number Four (A)

blue, used to go

### Answers for Question Number Four (B)

Indicate recommendation

### Answers for Question Number Five (A)

use people would drive. In exercise