

**A. 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:**

In England, almost 50% of school leavers go on to higher education. The figure has not always been as high as this. Twenty years ago, it was closer to 30%, and thirty years before that, it was only about 5%. Another huge change has been financial. Before 1998 CE, higher education in the UK was completely free for UK citizens. Since then, tuition fees have been introduced. Most students borrow this money from the government. They don't have to repay it immediately. Instead, they pay it back slowly out of future earnings.

Despite the high cost, most students choose to study away from home. A recent survey of 17,000 students revealed that only 7% wanted to stay at home while they studied for their degree. Of course for most young people, living away from home means borrowing even more money. So why don't students choose to avoid debt by staying at home, where they don't have to pay rent? Most of them say that they want to move to the university of their choice, rather than the nearest one. Another strong motive is the desire to live in a new culture. Where do these students live? Many have rooms in halls of residence, especially in their first year; others rent flats or houses. A lucky minority live in property that their parents have bought for them. Most of them need to learn to cook, do their own washing and manage their time and money.

**Question Number One ( 22 points )**

1. According to the text, most British students choose to study far away from their home countries for two reasons. Write down these two reasons.
2. British students who study outside their country live in many places. Write down two of these places.
3. Quote the sentence which shows that British students prefer to study outside England in spite of the high cost.
4. According to the text, there are two changes that have affected higher education in England in recent years. Write them down.
5. What does the underlined word "this" refer to?
6. Find a word from the text that means 'relating to money'.
7. Quote the sentence which shows that the British government makes debts for their students.
8. Quote the sentence which shows that about half of English students go to complete their studying after school.
9. Find a word which has the **opposite** meaning of 'majority'.
10. Studying far away from home country has many advantages. Suggest three of studying abroad.
11. Students who study outside England face many challenges. In two sentences, write down your point of view.

**B- Literature spot: (2 points)**

Read the following lines from “A Green Cornfield”, and then answer the questions that follow:

The earth was green, the sky was blue:

I saw and heard one sunny morn  
A skylark hangs between the two,  
A singing speck above the corn.

1. How does the playwright/ poet/ writer describe the skylark?
2. Where was the skylark?

**Question number two :( 16 points)**

**A. Choose the suitable item from those given to complete each of the following sentences.**

**Write your answers in your ANSWERBOOKLET. (8 points)**

timetable , tutorial , do , properties , make

1. In British academic a..... , is a small class of one, or only a few students, in which the lecturer, or other academic staff member, gives individual attention to the students.
2. When you combine your ..... with his, you'll have over two hundred acres.
3. The way you are revising may let you down. A revision .....helps you avoid all of this.
4. It is much better to be slow and correct than to be fluent and ..... a lot of mistakes.

**B.**

**1. Study the following sentences and answer the questions that follow. (2 points)**

At the book fair, everybody was buying his favourite books.

**Replace the underlined word with the correct gender-neutral words.**

2. Ahmad should look into or he'll be late.

Replace the underlined phrasal verb with the correct one.

**C-Complete the following sentences with the suitable words derived from the words in brackets and write the answer down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (6 points)**

1. Health experts .....us to make simple daily exercise for example walking and sit-ups.

( advice , advise , advisable )

2. Scientists have .....invented a prosthetic hand with a sense of touch.

( success , successful , successfully )

**Question Number Three :( 12 points)**

**A. Correct the verb between brackets then write your answers down in your ANSWER BOOCKLET. ( 6 points )**

1. Doing regular exercise is believed .....the risk of several diseases. (**reduce**)
2. I wish my brother..... Physics instead of English. (**study**)
3. Fatima doesn't speak English, does she? No, she ..... (**do**)
4. Lubna usually goes to read her favourite books when she.....free time. (**have**)
5. Some books have just.....by scientists. (**discover**)
6. If only you studied for a long time, you..... the exams. (**can , pass**)

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

1. It is believed that language learning can also improve your decision-making skills.

**Scientists** .....

2. How did you come to the party?

**Can you tell me**.....?

3. In Jordan vocational schools are less popular than academic schools.

**Academic schools**.....

4. I regret studying for a short time.

**If only**.....

5. My mother taught me to read.

**I**.....

**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. Internet is ..... means of communication in the world.  
( **the faster , the most fastest , the fastest , as fast as** )

2. The boys have left the school early,.....?  
(**has he , hasn't they , didn't they , haven't they** )

3. People ..... that Earth is getting warmer.  
(**believes , believe , believing , is believing** )

4. If Huda..... ill, she wouldn't have missed the meeting.  
( **wasn't , hadn't been , hasn't been , hadn't** )

5. I haven't got as much homework ..... my brother.  
( **so , than , as , like** )

6. Majid looks ..... a word in a dictionary.  
( **for , up , away , on** )

Question Number Five ( 15 points )

A-EDITING

(4points)

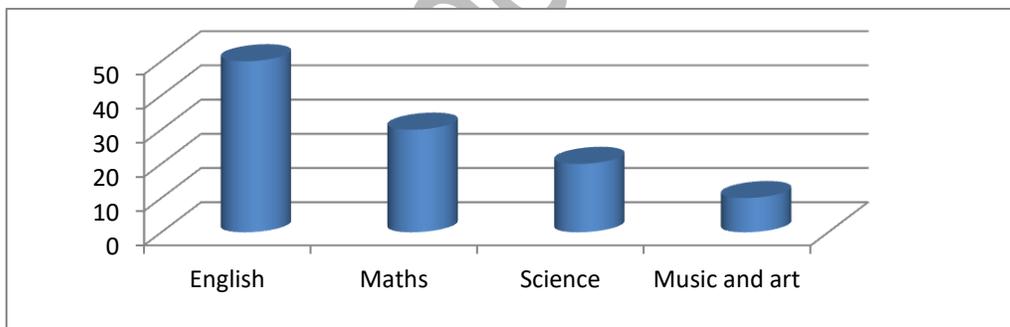
Imagine you are an editor in the Jordan Times, you are asked to edit the following lines that have one grammar mistake, two spelling mistakes and one punctuation mistake. Correct the mistakes and write them in your ANSWER BOOKLET.

Finding work in a crowded job market can be chalenjing sometimes, especially for graduates who do not have any work experience. Many employers are looking up people with a proven track record in a particular area of work. However. you need to have a job in order to get experience. Doing an enternship is a good way to get around this problem.

B: Guided writing:

Read the information in the table below, and write two sentences comparing and contrasting the most popular subject.

The most popular subjects



• FREE WRITING:

(7 points)

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

- 1) Many large companies offer graduate training schemes, which are a kind of apprenticeship to support their curriculum vitae. Write a paragraph mentioning other courses, skills and qualifications that a new graduate should make and have to step into the business world.
- 2) Education has become an important sector that has a positive impact on development of our country .Write a three-paragraph report about the benefit of education on the Jordanian people; and what the ministry of education can do to develop this section.

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**Question Number One ( 22 points )**

1. **a-** Most of them say that they want to move to the university of their choice, rather than the nearest one. **b-**Another strong motive is the desire to live in a new culture.
2. **a-** rooms in halls of residence **b - flats c-** houses **d-** property that their parents have bought for them.
3. Despite the high cost, most students choose to study away from home.
4. **a-** almost 50% of school leavers go on to higher education. **b-** Another huge change has been financial.
5. The figure
6. financial
7. Most students borrow this money from the government.
8. In England, almost 50% of school leavers go on to higher education.
9. minority
10. 11. Any acceptable answer.

**B- Literature spot: (2 points)**

1. A singing speck above the corn. 2. hangs between the two,

**Question number two :( 16 points)**

- A. 1. tutorial 2. properties 3. timetable 4. Make

B.

1. their 2. speed up

C.

1. advise 2. successfully

**Question Number Three :( 12 points)**

- A. 1. to reduce 2. studied // had studied 3. doesn't  
4. has 5. been discovered 6. could pass // could have passed .

**B.**

1. **Scientists** believe that language learning can also improve your decision-making skills..
2. **Can you tell me** how you came to the party?
3. **Academic schools** are more popular than vocational schools.
4. **If only** I hadn't studied for a short time.
5. I was taught to read.

**Question Number Four ( 10 points )**

1. the fastest
2. haven't they
3. believe
4. hadn't been
5. as
6. up

**Question Number Five ( 15 points )**

**A-EDITING**

challenging - challenging      enternship – internship      (4points)  
looking up - looking **for**

However. you      However, you

- **B: Guided writing:**      **FREE WRITING:**      (open answer)