

**THE HASHEMITE KINGDOM OF JORDAN  
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FIRST EXAM / LEVEL FOUR**

**NAME:** .....

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**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.**

Our country has a high standard of education. This is mainly due to the fact that the government considers education a necessity. All schools, from kindergarten to secondary, are the responsibility of the Ministry of Education (MOE). Pre-school and kindergarten education is optional, followed by ten years of free, **compulsory** education. For higher education, students enter university, either for academic or vocational courses.

Students can attend one of ten public universities, or one of nineteen private universities. A large number of Jordanian students choose to study at these institutions, as well as foreign students from all over the world. These are undergraduates studying for a first degree, or postgraduates studying for a Master's degree, a PhD or a higher diploma.

The three universities with the most undergraduates are the University of Jordan in Amman, Yarmouk University in Irbid and Al Balqa Applied University in Salt. These are all public universities. An example of a newer university is the German-Jordanian University in Amman, which was set up in 2005 CE. **It** is a collaboration between the MOHE and Germany's Federal Ministry of Education and Research, and it follows Germany's model of education in Applied Sciences.

For students who wish to complete their university studies while working at the same time, it is also possible in some Jordanian universities to enroll onto online distance learning programmes. In the future, this option will become available in many other universities

**Question Number One: ( 20 points)**

1. There are two types of courses that students can study at the Jordanian universities. Write them down. (4 points)  
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2. Two classifications of university students are mentioned in the text. Write them down. (4 points)  
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3. Write down the sentence which indicates that not only Jordanian students attend the Jordanian universities. (3 points)  
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4. What does the underlined word ' **It** ' refer to ? (2 points)  
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5. What does the underlined word **compulsory** mean? (2 points)  
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6. The writer states that foreign students from all over the world come to study in the Jordanian universities. Suggest three reasons which make them choose Jordan for studying.

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7. Students who complete their studies while working might face a lot of difficulties. Think of this statement and in two sentences write down your point of view.

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**Question Number Two: ( 11 points )**

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

**( 8 points )**

**mother tongue , make a start , play it by ear , halls of residence, get cold feet**

- 1. Many students who study abroad , have rooms in ....., especially in their first year.
- 2. The deadline is tomorrow, and you haven't done anything yet! You really must .....
- 3. Learning a foreign language can also improve your ability to use your .....
- 4. I'm not sure if it'll be warm enough to have a barbecue. We'll have to .....

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

**( 3 points )**

- Even if things have been difficult for you , always keep your chin up, everything will be normal soon.

What does the underlined body idiom keep your chin up mean ?

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**Question Number Three : ( 22 points )**

**A. Correct the verbs between brackets then write down your answers in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (4 points)**

- 1. Do you mind ..... why the sky sometimes looks red? (explain)
- 2. It is ..... that language learning can also improve your decision-making skills. (believe)

**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. (12 points)**

- 1. Please give me a glass of water.  
**Would you mind** .....
- 2. Is exercise better in the morning or in the evening ?  
**Would you happen to know** .....
- 3. How much money did you spend yesterday ?  
**Could you tell me** .....
- 4. Experts believe that conventional learning will disappear in the future.  
**It** .....
- 5. They claim that their team played well yesterday.  
**Their team** .....
- 6. Learning Chinese is not as easy as learning English.  
**Learning English** .....

**C. Complete each of the following items with the correct comparative or superlative form, using the words between brackets. Write the answer in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (3 points)**

- 1. Reem always gets high marks she is the ..... student in our class. (good)
- 2. My car is .....than yours . (little)
- 3. Silver is ..... than gold . (expensive)

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**D. Study the following mini dialogue carefully, then answer the question that follows. Write the answer in your ANSWER BOOKLET.**

(3 points )

- Could you tell me if he is Spanish?

What is the function of using indirect question in the above sentence?

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**Question Number Four: (10 points )**

**A. EDITING:**

(5 points)

**Imagine you are an editor in the Jordan Times. You are asked to edit the following lines that have five mistakes ( one grammatical mistake, one punctuation mistake and three spelling mistake) Find out these five mistakes and correct them . Write the answer in your ANSWER BOOKLET.**

Studio schools is piuneering schools which receive funding as well as support from brivate businesses, and which seek to encourage young people to undertake a less conventional form of secondary education: These schools often specialise in one specific area, whilst understanding that the same broad range of skills and qwalifications should be made available to all young people.

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**B . GUIDED WRITING : ( 5 points )**

**Read the information in the table below , and then in your ANSWER BOOKLET, write two sentences about the benefits of studying abroad.**

- build valuable job skills.
- be self- confident .
- make friends.
- understand own and other cultures.

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