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GENERAL SECONDARY CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION-2015

GENERAL ENGLISH

الدورة الصيفية / المستوى الثاتي

(وثيقة محمية/محدود)

DATE: Monday 15th of June, 2015

٧- للمتقدمين في القروع المهنية.

TIME: 1 HOUR AND A HALF

ملحوظات: ١- أجب عن أسئلة هذه الورقة جميعها.

٣- عدد الأسئلة: (٥)، وعدد الصفحات: (٣).

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

Not everyone in the world has a computer. This means that many people cannot use the Internet or send emails, and have to write and post letters in the traditional way. But the postal authorities in Himachal Pradesh, a state in the north of India, have introduced a new service for their customers which combines traditional mail and email. People write their letters, then take them to their local post office. There, they are copied then sent by email to post offices in other parts of the country. Here, the emails are printed out and taken by the postman to their correct addresses.

Some of these letters, however, which are addressed to very remote places, like the Himalayas, have to be taken by hand to their destinations. They are carried by "mail runners" who face many difficulties such as travelling long distances on foot and moving through very difficult areas such as mountains. These postmen, who wear special uniforms and carry a mailbag and a bell, were introduced by the Indian post office over 150 years ago. There are now over 1600 "mail runners" in the state of Himachal Pradesh.

People in remote villages get very excited when they hear the postman's bell because they know that letters are coming for them. But the runners bring more than letters. They also bring news from other villages and from the outside world. Mail runners also have to read letters to people because many of the villagers in these areas cannot read.

Question Number One (23 points)

1. How can letters be sent to people in remote areas?

(3points)

2. What does the underlined pronoun "they" refer to?

(2points)

- 3. Why do people in remote villages get happy when they hear the postman's bell?(3points)
- 4. Find a word which means " puts together".

(3points)

- 5. Quote the sentence which shows the reason why mail runners have to read letters to people in remote areas. (4points)
- 6. Mail runners face many difficulties while travelling. Write down two of these difficulties.

(4points)

7. What do postmen carry while travelling long distances across mountains?

(4points)

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Question	Number	Two	(16points)

- A. Complete the following sentences with the suitable words derived from the words in brackets and write the answers down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (6points)
 - 1. City firemen are complaining that their ----is getting old, and needs to be replaced immediately to maintain proper safety standards.(equip)
 - 2. We need better laws to ----- the content of the Internet. (regulation)
 - 3. We have a ----- to take care of our planet and preserve its beauty, resources and strength for future generations.(responsible)
- B. Choose the suitable word from those given in the box to complete each of the following sentences and write it down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (6points)

trade , transfer ,amazed , sharpen, loose, brush

- 1. In the past, people used to use a -----and ink for writing.
- 2. I must ----- my pencil, my writing isn't as neat as I want it.
- 3. It is considered unclean to -----food from one person's plate to another during a meal.
- C. Study the following sentences which have two mistakes (one mistake in each sentence). Correct the mistakes and write the answers down in your ANSWERS BOOKLET. (4points)
 - 1. We put two items of fresh cheese on every hamburger we make.
 - 2. How many slices of sugar do you want in your tea?



Question Number Three (14 points)

- A. Correct the verbs between brackets then write your answers down in your ANSWER BOOKLET: (8points)
 - 1. The criminals have ----- under police observation for many weeks.(be)
 - 2. Don't interrupt me! I ----- of my exam now. (think)
 - 3. The new trainee in this office -----just----- from university (graduate)
 - 4. Has Rami-----back from school yet?(come)
- B. Complete each of the following sentences by adding the correct question tag to the end of each of them. Write the answers down in your ANSWER BOOKLET.(6points)
 - 1. Marwa has dinner with her friends,----?
 - 2. You can't carry all those shopping bags on your own,----?
 - 3. The bee flew from one flower to another,----?

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Question Number Four(10points)

- A. Study the following sentences which have two mistakes in the usage of the articles. Correct them and write the answers down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (4points)
 - 1. Helen is a most efficient employee in the company.
 - 2. Brazil which is the world's largest rainforest has an highest deforestation rate on the planet.
- B. Complete the following mini-dialogues by giving advice about the past using should have / shouldn't have and the given phrases between brackets. Write the answers down in your ANSWER BOOKLET.(6points)
 - 1. Ali: The interview didn't go too well.

Amjad: you -----(prepare more thoroughly)

2. Omar: Maher went to work yesterday, even though he felt ill. Today he feels worse.

Amani: He -----(go to work)

Question Number Five (7points)

A. GUIDED WRITING (2points)

Read the information in the box below, and then in your ANSWER BOOKLET, write two sentences about the advantages and the disadvantages of email using the appropriate linking words such as: and, but, on the on the other hand, whereas, too....etc

Disadvantages of email	
less hand-writing practice.lack personal touch.	

B. FREE WRITING (5 points)

In your ANSWER BOOKLET, write about 50 words in ONE of the following:

- 1. Some students choose to work at part-time unskilled jobs while they are attending college or university. Write an email to your school magazine discussing the advantages and disadvantages of students doing part-time unskilled work.
- 2. Write a letter to your friend describing a public occasion (for example a festival, party, ceremony) that was particularly memorable for you and mentioning when and where it happened, what that event added to your experience and why it made such an impression on you.

(Your name is Nihad. Your address is P.O Box 1646, Amman, Jordan)

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المبحث: اللفت الإنجليرية م م القسوع: المهرين

Question Number One (23 points)

- 1. letters have to be taken by hand to their destinations. (3 points)
- 2. letters (2 points)
- 3. because they know that letters are coming for them. (3 points)
- 4. combines (3 points)
- 5. Mail runners also have to read letters to people because many of the villagers in these areas cannot read. (4 points)
- 6. (4 points,2 points each)
 - (1) travelling long distances on foot.
 - (2) moving through very difficult areas such as mountains.
- 7. (4 points,2 points each)
 - (1) a mailbag (2) a bell

Question Number Two (16 points)

- A. (6 points, 2 points each)
 - 1. equipment 2. regulate
- 3. responsibility

- B. (6 points, 2 points each)
 - 1. brush

- 2. sharpen
- 3. transfer

- C. (4 points, 2 points each)
 - 1. slices of fresh cheese 2. lumps of sugar

Ouestion Number Three (14 points)

- A. (8 points, 2 points each)
 - 1. been 2, am thinking
- 3. has/graduated 4. come
- B. (6points, 2 points each)
 - 1. doesn't she?
 - 2. can you?
 - 3. didn't it?

Question Number Four(10 points)

- A. (4 points, 2 points each)
- 1. Helen is the most efficient employee in the company.
- 2. Brazil which is the world's largest rainforest has the highest deforestation rate on the planet.

B. (6points, 3 points each)

You should have prepared more thoroughly.
 He shouldn't have gone to work.



Question Number Five(7 points) A. GUIDED WRITING: (2 points)

Marking Scheme:

2	comprehensive information with appropriate
	linking words, without spelling mistakes
1	acceptable level of communicating the ideas with
	some grammatical and spelling mistakes
0	miscommunication of the ideas, a lot of
	grammatical and spelling mistakes

B. FREE WRITING: (5 points)

Open answer

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