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DATE: Sunday, 4th December, 2016

TIME: 1 HOUR AND A HALF

ملحوظات : 1- أجب عن أسئلة هذه الورقة جميعها 2- للمتقدمين للفروع الأكاديمية 3- عدد الصفحات (4) ، وعدد الأسئلة (5)

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

Jordan has a very rich cultural heritage thanks to the support of the Department of Culture and the Arts, which was founded in 1966 CE. Since then, the department has built up an exciting, ongoing programme of cultural activities related to all the arts: music, visual arts, performing arts and the written word. In 1979 CE, the Royal Society of Fine Arts (RSFA) was established to promote visual arts in Jordan and other countries in the region. It has links with major art galleries around the world in order to encourage artists from different cultures to learn from each other. The Jordan National Gallery of Fine Arts is one of the most important art museums in the Middle East. The collection includes over 2,000 works of art, including paintings, sculptures, photographs, installations, textiles and ceramics, by more than 800 artists from 59 countries.

In 2013 CE, it held Jordan's largest art exhibition called '70 Years of Contemporary Jordanian Art'. Until the 1990s, most Jordanian literature was only available in Arabic. However, thanks to PROTA (the Project of Translation from Arabic), many Jordanian plays, novels, short stories and poems are now translated into English, and people all over the world are able to read and appreciate them. Every year, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) chooses a different Arab city as the Arab Cultural Capital. In 2002 CE, the city of Amman was awarded this title. Jordan has a centuries-old musical heritage. In 1987 CE, the National Centre for Culture and Arts was created, which showcases theatre and dance in Jordan and in the region.

Question Number One: (20 points)

- 1- According to the text, what was the purpose of establishing the Royal Society of Fine Arts?
(2 points)
- 2- What does the underlined word " **installations** " mean ?
(2 points)
- 3- Quote the sentence which shows how the Jordanian literature benefited from the translation project.
(3 points)
- 4- What does the underlined phrase " **this title** " refer to ?
(2 points)
- 5- The Jordan National Gallery of Fine Arts presents a collection of art works. Write down three of these works.
(3 points)
- 6- 'To truly understand a country's culture, you have to understand its artistic heritage.'
Do you agree or disagree? Justify your answer in two sentences.
(2 points)

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7- Fine arts are widely considered an important way to reflect society. Suggest three ways by which governments can conserve and promote these arts in Jordan. (3 points)

B. Literature spot: (3 points)

Read the following extract from " All the World's a Stage " carefully, then answer the questions that follow. Write the answers down in your ANSWER BOOKLET.

At first, the infant,
Mewling and puking in the nurse's arms.
Then the whining schoolboy, with his satchel
And shinin' morning face, creeping like snail
Unwillingly to school...

1. Which simile does the playwright use to describe the boy as he walks to school?
(1point)
2. What are the two stages of a human's life, according to the speech?
(2 points)

Question Number Two: (15 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)

symptoms , artificial , equipment , astronomer , textiles

1. My sister wants to be a fashion designer and work with-----.
2. Before the boys go climbing, they'll go to a special shop to buy all the ----- that they need.
3. If you don't feel well, you should describe your----- to the doctor.
4. A telescope enables ----- s to observe the stars.

B. Study the following sentence and answer the question that follows. Write the answer in your ANSWER BOOKLET . (3 points)

Adeeb also invented a fireproof helmet which has a built-in camera system.

What does the underlined suffix - proof most likely mean?

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C. Complete the sentences with the correct form of the words in the box, and write the answers in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (4 points)

attraction , tradition , appreciative

1. -----, the whole process is done by hand, from the washing of the wool to the finished article.
2. Thank you for your help, I really ----- it.

Question Number Three: (12 points)

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

1. By the time my father arrived, I had ----- the report for an hour. (be , type)
2. When I was a student, I ----- very early and study alone before my lectures, attend lectures all day, and then come home to study some more! (use to , get up)
3. People have been using smartphones since they ----- in the early 2000s. (invent)

B. Complete 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. Rawan translated the story into English last night.
What -----
2. Sandra started doing her homework at 7:00 a.m, and she has not finished yet.
Sandra -----
3. London attracts thousands of tourists every year. It is the capital of England.
London -----

Question Number Four: (8 points)

A. The underlined words in the following sentence are not used correctly. Replace these words with the correct ones , and write the answers down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (2 points)

My family and I used to go on a picnic by an car which we won in the competition, but we stopped doing that where we moved to the city .

B. The following sentences are in American English, rewrite them in British English, and write them in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (4 points)

1. I just had my breakfast.
2. Does she have a brother? If so, do they live in the same apartment?
3. Come with me and sing a chorus with the crowd in the conservatory of the Boulevard.

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C. Study the following sentence and answer the question that follows. (2 points)

The owner of the restaurant is likewise the owner of the house next door.

What is the function of using likewise in the above sentence?

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 mistakes and correct them . Write the correct answers in your ANSWER BOOKLET.

Anger can lead to stress and other mental health problems , and it makes it harder for us to consentrate and enjoy life. I used to live outside the city, so I would drive for two hours to get to school. There is always so much traffic. I remember, i used to feel more and more angry about the traffic. I would sit there in my car, with my heart beating fast ; worrying about arriving late for my class.

B. GUIDED WRITING (4 points)

Read the information below , and then in your ANSWER BOOKLET , write two sentences using the given notes below about The Giralda tower. Use the appropriate linking words.

Location : Seville, Spain.

Date of construction : began in 1184 CE - completed in 1198 CE.

The designer of the tower: the mathematician Jabir ibn Aflah.

Description of the bulding : a minaret, over 104 metres tall.

C. FREE WRITING (7 points)

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

1. Write a report about the importance of health facilities for the modern societies.
2. Write a report about different art forms in Jordan. Provide information concerning Participation in the arts in Jordan. Discuss the factors which discourage people from taking part and suggest ways to increase participation.

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Question Number One: (20 points)

A.

- 1- The Royal Society of Fine Arts was established to promote visual arts in Jordan and other countries in the region.
- 2- An art exhibit often involving video or moving parts
- 3- However, thanks to PROTA (the Project of Translation from Arabic), many Jordanian plays, novels, short stories and poems are now translated into English, and people all over the world are able to read and appreciate them.
- 4- The Arab Cultural Capital
- 5- 1. Paintings 2. Sculptures 3. Photographs
- 6- Open answer
- 7- Open answer

B. Literature spot: (3 points)

- 1- Creeping like snail
- 2- 1. **Babyhood** (the infant) 2. **Childhood** (the schoolboy)

Question Number Two: (15 points)

A.

5. Textiles
6. Equipment
7. Symptoms
8. Astronomer

B. To provide protection against.

C. 1. Traditionally 2. Appreciate

Question Number Three: (12 points)

A.

- 1- had been typing
- 2- used to get up
- 3- were invented

B.

- 1- What Rawan did last night was translate the story.
- 2- Sandra has been doing her homework since 7:00 a.m.
- 3- London , which is the capital of UK , attracts thousands of tourists every year.

Question Number Four: (8 points)

A- 1- the car 2- when

B-

1. I **have** just **had** my breakfast.
2. **Has** she **got** a brother? If so, do they live in the same **flat** ?
3. Come with me and sing a chorus with the crowd in the **conservatoire** of the Boulevard.

C- Expressing Addition

Question Number Five: (15 points)

A- EDITING

- 1- Grammar mistake : There **was** always so much traffic
- 2- Punctuation mistake : with my heart beating fast ,
- 3- Spelling mistakes : 1. Concentrate 2. **I** used to

B- GUIDED WRITING: Open answer

C- FREE WRITING: Open answer

THE END