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LEVEL 3 2015/2016

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FINAL EXAM

TIME: 1 HOUR AND A HALF

**Read the following texts carefully, and then answer the questions that follow. Your answers should be based on the text.**

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.

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 percent of Jordanian children were fully immunised, 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 percent of the country's population now has access. 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.

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 2012 CE, this average life expectancy had risen to 73.5. 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 32 deaths per 1,000 births in 2014 CE.

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

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

- A:**
1. Quote the sentence which shows that Jordan didn't ignore its hospitals. (2 points)
  2. There are two main factors for healthy population growth in Jordan. Write them down. (4 points)
  3. The Jordanian community became healthier for two reasons. Write them down. (2 points)
  4. What does the underlined word "where" refer to? (2 points)
  5. What does the underlined word "reputation" mean? (2 points)
  6. The writer states that advances in education, economic conditions, sanitation, clean water, diet and housing have made our community healthier. Suggest three positive impacts. (3 points)

7. Careful planning in a country helps to improve its economy and health as well. Think of this statement and in two sentences write down your point of view. (2 points)

**B: Literature spot (3 points)**

Read the following lines, from *I remember I remember* carefully, then answer the questions that follow:

I remember, I remember  
The house where I was born,  
The little window where the sun  
Came peeping in at morn;  
He never came a wink too soon,  
Nor brought too long a day,  
But now, I often wish the night  
Had borne my breath away!



1. How does the poet contrast his memories of the past with the present day in this stanza?(2 points)
2. What rhetorical device does the poet use to describe the sun? (1 point)

**Question Number Two (15 points)**

**A. Complete the following sentences with the suitable words derived from the words in the box below and Write the answer down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (4 points)**

1. His views on medicine are more \_\_\_\_\_ than those of some of his friends. (**convention**)
2. Thirty percent of the new students need \_\_\_\_\_ classes in math. (**remedy**)

**B. Choose the suitable item from those given in the box to complete each of the following sentences and write it down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (8 points)**

access, coma, fund, zero-waste, sponsor, qualified

1. Students who want to study medicine must be well\_\_\_\_\_.
2. After a serious accident she has been in a \_\_\_\_\_ for three weeks.
3. Some cities in Europe nowadays, are \_\_\_\_\_.
4. The government promised to \_\_\_\_\_ all new inventions made by students.

**Question Number Three (15 points)**

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

1. George \_\_\_\_\_ English quite well by the time his cousin arrived. (**learn**)
2. Next week at seven, he \_\_\_\_\_ his first day at school (**attend**)
3. Now about one billion computers \_\_\_\_\_ around the world each year. (**sell**)

**B. Rewrite the following sentences keeping the same meaning. Write the answer down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (6 points)**

1. I think you should wear warmer clothes. (**would**)  
If \_\_\_\_\_.
2. The new treatment works by blocking a protein which causes cancerous cells to grow.  
The way \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Ahmad Ben Baso was the architect of the tower. Ahmad Ben Baso began work in 1184 CE.  
Ahmad Ben Baso \_\_\_\_\_.

**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 answer down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (2 points)**

Salma has been practicing an oud really hard and she now used to playing it.

**B. Rewrite the following sentence changing it from American into British English. And then write the answer down in your ANSWER BOOKLET (4 points)**

1. We have to take a look before the offer is canceled.  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. 'Goodness, you've got very tall!' said my aunt.  
\_\_\_\_\_

**C. Study the following sentence and answer the question that follows. And then write the answer down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (2 points)**

Megaprojects have their own disadvantages. Conversely, they are claimed to be beneficial for the community and the environment.

What is the function of using conversely 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 one grammar mistake, one punctuation mistake and two spelling mistakes. Correct the mistakes and write the answers in your ANSWER BOOKLET.

We spent most of our time in the Jameel Gallary, which was opened in 2006 CE. There were about 10,000 items on display. There was carpets and other textiles as well as pottery, ceramecs, paintings and things made of ivory, wood. metal and glass.

### B. Guided writing (4 points)

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

Location	Seville, Spain
Date of construction:	1198 CE
Designer	Jabir ibn Aflah
description of the building	a minaret over 104 metres tall

### C. Free writing (7 points)

Write a composition on one of the following topics of about 100 words.

1. Our traditions must be taken care of in order to make them alive. Write an essay describing some of our Arabic traditions and suggesting ways to preserve them.
2. Our life will be changed by technology. Write an essay describing what changes will take place, and how can we cope with such changes.

The end

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## Answers

### Question Number One: (20 points)

- A:**
8. Although the country has been focusing mainly on improving its primary healthcare facilities, it has not neglected its advanced medical facilities. (2 points)
  9. The low infant mortality rate, as well as the excellent healthcare system. (4 points)
  10. 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. (2 points)
  11. remote areas (2 points)
  12. one's opinion about someone or something (2 points)
  13. students' answer
  14. students' answer

### B: Literature spot (3 points)

3. He contrasts his past happy days with his miserable sad life at present (2 points)
4. personification (1 point)

### Question Number Two (15 points)

**C. Complete the following sentences with the suitable words derived from the words in the box below and Write the answer down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (4 points)**

3. Conventional
4. Remedial

**D. Choose the suitable item from those given in the box to complete each of the following sentences and write it down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (8 points)**

5. qualified
6. coma
7. zero-waste
8. sponsor

### Question Number Three (15 points)

**C. Correct the verb between brackets, then write your answers down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (6 points)**

4. Had learnt
5. Will be attending
6. Are sold

**D. Rewrite the following sentences keeping the same meaning. Write the answer down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (6 points)**

1. If I were you, I would wear warmer clothes
2. The way by which the new treatment works is blocking a protein which causes cancerous cells to grow.
3. Ahmad Ben Baso ,who began work in 1184 CE, was the architect of the tower.

**Question Number Four (8 points)**

**D. The underlined words in the following sentence are not used correctly. Replace these words with the correct ones, and write the answer down in your ANSWER BOOKLET.**

**(2 points)**

Salma has been practicing the oud really hard and she now is used to playing it.

**E. Rewrite the following sentence changing it from American into British English. And then write the answer down in your ANSWER BOOKLET**

**(4 points)**

3. We have to **have** a look before the offer is **cancelled**.

4. '**Gosh**, you've **gotten** very tall!' said my aunt.

**F. Study the following sentence and answer the question that follows. And then write the answer down in your ANSWER BOOKLET.**

**(2 points)**

Opposition

**Question Number Five (15 points)**

**D. Editing (4 points)**

Gallery were ceramics wood,

**E. Guided writing (4 points)**

Students' answer

**F. Free writing (7 points)**

Students' answer

**The end**

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