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THE HASHEMITE KINGDOM OF JORDAN  
MINISTRY OF EDUCATION  
GENERAL SECONDERY CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION- 2016  
GENERAL ENGLISH

الدورة الشتوية/ المستوى 4

DATE: - Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> of January 2016

TIME: 1 HOUR AND A HALF

(2) للمتقدمين لجميع الفروع الاكاديمية.

ملحوظات :- (1) اجب عن جميع أسئلة هذه الورقة.

(3) عدد الاسئلة: (5)، وعدد الصفحات: (4).

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

In 2002, Steve Fossett became the first person to travel solo round the world in a hot air balloon. His balloon, The Spirit of Freedom, used a mixture of helium and hot air and was 42 metres high and 18 metres wide. To keep it at a constant altitude, the balloon used a sophisticated autopilot system controlled by a computer.

Fossett's journey started in Western Australia. From here, he crossed the Pacific Ocean, travelling in an easterly direction. On reaching South America, he traveled across Chile and down round Argentina. He flew over the Southern Atlantic Ocean towards South Africa, then over the Indian Ocean to reach Australia.

This record-breaking solo journey took only 14 days, 19 hours and 50 minutes altogether, but conditions for Steve Fossett were not comfortable. He only slept for four hours in every 24-hour period, and never slept for more than 45 minutes at one time. Fossett frequently had to leave his tiny cabin to go outside, where air temperatures were below freezing, in order to check that the balloon's burners were working properly. By the time he arrived in Australia, he had travelled 33,195 km.

Steve Fossett was especially pleased with this successful round-the-world journey as it was his sixth attempt. On the journey, Fossett also broke the world speed record for a manned balloon flight: on one occasion the balloon travelled at 322.25 kmh. His first attempt had been six years earlier in 1996.

In addition to this record, Steve Fossett holds four other world records for non-stop journeys round the world: as a sailor, and as a solo air pilot. All in all, Fossett has set 110 records in five different sports.

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

1- Steve's balloon has some features in terms its size. Mention two of them.

(4 points)

2- By he arrived South America, Fosset crossed some countries there , mention two of them?

(4 points)

3- Write down the sentence which indicates that Fossett didn't get enough sleep.

(3 points)

4- Find a word in paragraph three which means " a small room / compartment "

(2 points)

5- What does the underlined pronoun "it" paragraph one, line three, refer to?

(2 points)

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**B- Critical Thinking (5 points)**

- 1- The writer thinks that Fossett has set 110 records in five different sports. Explain this statement, suggesting three qualities that the person would need to achieve his records  
(3 points)
- 2- To break records in the world, you would face many difficulties; explain this statement in two sentences, justifying your answer.  
(2 points)

**Question Number Two :( 15 points)**

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

<b>came round , burning , urban, biography , plucking,</b>
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1. The ..... of the Jordanian poet was written immediately after his death by the other authors .
2. The definition of ..... is relating to a city with a population of at least 50,000 people, like Amman or Mafraq.
3. He ..... after we threw cold water in his face.
4. .... can be done a finger that causes the string of the instrument to vibrate.

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

When we spend all our time with our family and close friends, they can annoy us.  
**Write down the suitable idiom does the underlined phrase mean?**

**C- Complete the following sentences with suitable words derived from the words in brackets and write the answers down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (4 points)**

<b>vary, threat, naturally</b>
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- 1- Yet we can see and appreciate the beauties of ....., the flowers and trees, the green fields and the clear blue of the sky.
- 2- There are a lot of names like which are ..... spelled in English.

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**Question Number Three (13 points)**

**A-Correct the verb between brackets, then write your answer down in your ANSWERS BOOKLET (4 points)**

- 1. You had ..... there for more than two hours when she finally arrived. (not, be, wait)
- 2. I would like to have my photo ..... by a professional photographer. (take)
- 3- The tunnels could have ..... between Britain and France. ( be, build)
- 4- I asked them where they ..... the previous night. ( go)

**B. Complete the following sentences so that the new sentence is similar in meaning to the one before it, then write it down in your ANSWER BOOKLET: (9 points)**

- 1- Rakan: "Who is the Prime Minister of Canada?"  
Rakan asked Muna.....
  
- 2- The woman should feed the cat twice a day at least  
The cat .....by the woman.
  
- 3- She asked me where I would go swimming the following weekend.  
She asked me ".....?"

**Question Number Four:- (7 points)**

**B- Use the right word or phrase in the box below each pair of sentences to make only one meaningful sentence from each pair, and write the answers down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (4 points)**

1- Sami didn't know anybody at the party. Sami had a nice time.

**although , instead of, while**

2- I like living in the city. My wife prefers the countryside.

**although , on the other hand, in comparison with**

**B . Complete the following mini- dialogue using an expression that shows advice, and write the answer down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (3 points)**

**Nadia:** It may rainy today and I need to go out.  
**Bayan:** .....

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**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. Find out these four mistakes and correct them. Write the correct answers down in your ANSWER BOOKLET.

some villages have few permanent inhapitants as farming became less and less prufitable and there are the effects of depopulation, such as poor publik services and deserted farms.

**B. GUIDED WRITING: (4 points)**

Read the information in the table below then, in your ANSWER BOOKLET, write two sentences about purposes of building dams. Use appropriate liking words such as : and, also, but..... etc.

<b>Purposes of building tunnels.</b>
- control the traffic areas. - save time and effort. -reduce the car accident. - make car journeys faster and shorter.

**FREE WRITING: ( 7 points)**

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

1- Experts tell us that a healthy life is needed by all people to live happier and longer. Write **an essay** about how to live a **healthy life**. (e.g. taking up new sports, joining a gym, eating a different fruit every day)

2- Jordan has many traditional crafts .Write **a report** about the importance of **preserving traditional crafts** and advise people to learn how to get benefits from these traditional crafts.

**THE END**

**Best Wishes**

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عدد صفحات الامتحان (4) وعدد الأسئلة (5)

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**Question Number One**

A-

- 1- was 42 metres high and 18 metres wide.
- 2- Chile , Argentina
- 3- He only slept for four hours in every 24-hour period, and never slept for more than 45 minutes at one time.
- 4- Cabin
- 5- his balloon

B-

- 1- I think there are many qualities such as: determination , strength , fitness, perseverance, ability to endure solitude....etc
- 2- I think there many difficulties such as: exhaustion, lack of oxygen, sickness, injury, inadequate supplies, getting lost, losing contact with outside world, the cold....etc

**Question Number Two**

A-

- 1- biography                      2- urban                      3- came round                      4- plucking

B- nearest and dearest

- C 1- nature                      2- variously

**Question Number Three**

- A- 1- not been waiting                      2- taken                      3- been built                      4- went OR had gone

B- 1- who the Prime Minister of Canada was                      2- should be fed twice a day at least

3- "Where will you go swimming next weekend?"

**Question Number Four:-**

A- 1 - Although Sami didn't know anybody at the party, he had a nice time.

Sami had a nice time although he did not know anybody at the party.

2- I like living in the city. **On the other hand**, my wife prefers the countryside.

My wife prefers the countryside. **On the other hand**, I like living in the city.

**B . don't forget to take an umbrella** مظلة / اي اجابة ذات صلة

**Question Number Five (15 points)**

