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GENERAL ENGLISH

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DATE: - Thursday 9th of January 2016

TIME: 1 HOUR AND A HALF

(2) للمتقدمين لجميع الفروع الأكاديمية.

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.

The capital city of a country is very often its greatest city, with the largest population and the most important administrative buildings. Capital cities house government offices, as well as embassies from other countries. They are also financial centres, containing national and international banks and other financial institutions.

Amman is no different from other capital cities in this respect – it is the seat of government and the economic and cultural centre of Jordan. Amman has the biggest population of any city in Jordan and is home to about a third of the people – 2.3 million people! Although many of the buildings are very smart and futuristic, the city actually has a history going back over 8,000 years.

Brasilia, the capital city of Brazil, is both similar to and different from Amman. Like Amman, it is an administrative centre and contains the key political buildings and institutions. However, unlike Amman, Brasilia is not the major cultural or economic centre of Brazil, and with 2.5 million people, it is home to only a tiny fraction of the huge Brazilian population.

Built in the late 1950s, it is a new city and has only been the capital of Brazil since 1960. It took over from Rio de Janeiro, which remains a major economic and cultural centre, as well as having a population of many millions more. Brasilia is a very modern city and because it is so new, planners were able to strictly regulate its layout. It is divided into sectors, with specific zones for business, industry, government and residential areas.

Question Number One (20 points)

- A.
- 1- What do the underlined word (it) paragraph two, refers to? (2 points)
 - 2- Find a word in the last paragraph which means "**control**" (2 points)
 - 3- Write down the sentence which indicates that Amman is an ancient city. (3 points)
 - 4- Brasilia is divided into particular part of an area with regions for specific aims. Write down two of these aims. (4 points)
 - 5- There are two similarities between Amman and Brasilia. Write them down? (4 points)

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B- Critical Thinking (5 points)

- 1- The writer states that the capital cities are also financial centers, containing national and international banks and other financial institutions. Explain this statement, suggesting three positive impacts of living in capital cities.
- 2- Living in capital cities have many disadvantages. Think of this statement, and in two sentences write down your point of view.

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)

drummed , single , similar , incredible, fathers

- 1- It's how fast computers have become a normal part of our daily lives.
- 2- knowing the difference between right and wrong is into children by their parents at a very early age.
- 3- I think Majid will probably stay all his life; he's just not interested in having a long-term relationship with anyone
- 4- Police believe the man suspected of robbing the bank today is responsible for a number of crimes which have been committed over the last year.

B- Study the following dictionary entry and answer the question follows. Write the answer in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (3 points)

People come from far and wide to see the castle in the centre of Karak
What does the underlined idiom mean in this sentence?

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

remind, destroy, build

- 1- The incredible power of the volcano was all too visible..
- 2- Most public now have automatic doors for people in wheelchairs.

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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- He isn't going to take his own photo. He is going to have it(take)
- 2- In fact, he had mountains since the age of eight.(be, climb)
- 3- I wondered if you London the previous year. (visit)
- 4- In May 1978, Messner and Hebeler already two unsuccessful attempts to reach the summit. (make)

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

- 1- Do you enjoy spending time with each other?
I asked them..
- 2-The Three Gorge dam has to flood large land areas.
Large land areas
- 3. Where did you live before that?
Ali asked Sami.....
- 4- I wanted to know if he could leave before the disastrous tornado.
Huda asked Sami " ?"

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- They said construction was complete. There were builders working on the hotel when we arrived.

instead of , although, while

- 2- In the developed nations, the average person has almost two rooms at his disposal. In the developing nations, the average person must share a room with two others.

Although,in comparison with, on the other hand

B- Read the following mini- dialogue carefully, then answer the question that follows and write the answer down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (3 points)

Mazen: I think that Mr Mustafa Salameh is a great person.

Ahmad: that is right

What is the function of Ahmad's response?

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Question Number Five (15 points)

A: EDITING: (3 points)

Imagine you are an editor in the Jordan Times, you are asked to edit the following sentence that has three mistakes. Correct the mistakes.

Mustafa is hardworkeng man, he became the first jordanian champion to climb Mount Everest summet. Also, he joined the elete club because he had climbed all seven of the highest mountain in the world.

B. GUIDED WRITING: (4 points)

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

| Steve Fosset |
|--|
| - cross the Pacific Ocean. - holds four world records for non-stop journeys. - set 110 records in five different sports.. - break the world speed record for a manned balloon flight. |

FREE WRITING: (7 points)

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

1- 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- Many people like living in the city wile others like living in villages. Write a letter to the school magazine describing the differences between cities and villages.

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

THE END

Best Wishes

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Question Number One

A-

1- Amman

2- regulate

3- Amman has a history going back over 8,000 years.

4- business, industry, government, residential areas.

5- 1- it is an administrative center. 2- It contains the key political institution.

B- Critical Thinking

1- there are many positive impacts of living in capital cities like:-

- finding better jobs, good education, good transport.....

- traffic jam, noise, crowds of people.

Question Number Two

A-

1- incredible 2- drummed 3- single 4- similar

B- from all over the place

C 1- destructive

2- buildings

Question Number Three

A- 1- taken 2- been climbing 3- visited OR had visited 4- had made

B- Choose the suitable item from those given to complete each of the following items

1- I they enjoyed spending time with each other.

2- have to be flooded

3- where he had lived before that.

4- Can you leave before the disastrous tornado?

Question Number Four:-

1- They said construction was complete **although** there were builders working on the hotel when we arrived.

2- In the developed nations, the average person has almost two rooms at his disposal. On the other hand, in the developing nations, the average person must share a room with two others.

B . Agreement/ Agreeing

