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(2) للمتقدمين لجميع الفروع الاكاديمية.

TIME: 1 HOUR AND A HALF

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

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

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

Our country has a high standard of education. This is mainly due to the fact that the government considers education a necessity. All schools, from kindergarten to secondary, are the responsibility of the Ministry of Education (MOE). Pre-school and kindergarten education is optional, followed by ten years of free, compulsory education. For higher education, students enter university, either for academic or vocational courses.

Students can attend of ten public universities, or one of nineteen private universities. A large number of Jordanian students choose to study at these institutions, as well as foreign students from all over the world. These are undergraduates studying for a first degree, or postgraduates studying for a Master's degree, a PhD or a higher diploma.

The three universities with the most undergraduates are the University of Jordan in Amman, Yarmouk University in Irbid and Al Balqa Applied University in Salt. These are all public universities. An example of a newer university is the German-Jordanian University in Amman, which was set up in 2005 CE. It is a collaboration between the MOHE and Germany's Federal Ministry of Education and Research, and it follows Germany's model of education in Applied Sciences.

For students who wish to complete their university studies while working at the same time. It is also possible in some Jordanian universities to enrol onto online distance learning programmes. In the future, this option will become available in many other universities.

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

1. In addition to Bachelor degree, students can attend three postgraduate degrees. Write down these three degrees. (4 points)
2. Quote the sentence which indicates that Jordanian employees can study in universities remotely by using electronic communication. (2 points)
3. Find a word in the text which means ( to join a university or a school) (3 points)
4. The German-Jordanian University is collaboration between two sectors. Mention these two sectors. (2points)
5. What does the underlined word " who" refer to? (2 points)

6- Many Jordanian employees can study in universities remotely by using electronic communication which is called online distance learning programmes and they find this kind of studying more beneficial for them. Explain this statement and suggest three benefits of studying online. (3points)

7- Improving and taking care of Jordanian education will help the country to develop the community. Think of this statement and write down your point of view. (2 points)

**B- Literature Spot:- ( 3 points)**

**Read the following extract from *A Green Cornfield* carefully, then answer the questions that follow:**

The cornfield stretched a **tender** green  
To right and left beside my walks;  
I knew he had a **nest** unseen  
Somewhere among the million **stalks**.

- 1- Find a word which means **fresh and young**?
- 2- What does the word "**stalks**" mean?
- 3- What does a bird do in a nest ?
- 4- find a word which means "hidden, invisible".

**Question Number Two**

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

**memory, blame , contact details , go a head with , do , take , negotiate**

- 1- While applying for a job, you should enclose a CV with the .....
- 2- In meetings, you have to..... to get the best offer.
- 3- It is a successful project but we have to..... new plans
- 4- If you want to lose weight, you should..... Exercise every day.
- 5- Adnan never forgets anything! He has got an amazing.....
- 6- You look extremely tired, you need to .....a break.

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

1 – Players have to be courageous; they **shouldn't lose confidence at the last moments**  
Write down the body idiom which gives the underlined meaning of the above sentence.

**2 – Replace the underlined word with the correct one.**

You shouldn't treat people in this way, you'll make offence.

**C. Choose the suitable item derived from those between brackets complete each of the following sentences and write it down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (4 points)**

- 1- Don't talk to the drivers. They must..... ( **concentration** )
- 2- In your opinion, it is .....to start revising at dawn (**advice**)
- 3- Is one side of the brain more..... than the other? ( **dominance**)
- 4- Nuts contain useful.....s such as oils and fats. (**nutritious**)

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- 5- Congratulations on a very ..... business deal. (succeed)  
 6- My father often talks about what he did in his .....(young)

### Question Number Three

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

- 1- I wish my friends.....more courageous in the game. (be)  
 2- The gift is.....with beautiful flowers. (cover)  
 3- Unless she .....the door firmly, she won't be safe. (close)  
 4- The students would have been lucky if the teacher.....them. (encourage)  
 5. My children speak English fluently,.....? (do)

**B. Complete the following sentences so that the new sentence is similar in meaning to the one before it, use the words in brackets, then write it down in your ANSWER BOOKLET:**

1. There's less information on the website than there is in the book. (as much)  
 There isn't.....  
 2. Smokers know that smoking cigarettes has many dangerous effects.  
 It.....  
 smoking cigarettes .....  
 3. I feel ill, I ate so many sweets yesterday.  
 If only.....  
 4. Why does the sky sometimes look red?  
 Do you mind explaining .....  
 5. The manager of the company has appreciated the new inventions.  
 The new inventions.....  
 6- You shouldn't worry so much about English exam at the end of the semester.  
 If I.....  
 7- The police are investigating the cause of the accident. (look)  
 .....  
 8- You ought to test your vocabulary very often.  
 Why.....?

### Question Number Four ( 7 points)

**A. Read the following situations and complete the sentences with the word in brackets. Write the answers down in your ANSWER BOOKLET.**

**(4 points)**

- 1- I didn't do more revision before the exam. ( if only)  
 .....  
 2- I didn't conduct the survey on a scientific basis. That's why it was rejected. (could not)  
 .....

**C- Study the following sentence and answer the question that follows:-**

- The first sign that something had happened was the crying of children in their school.

**What is the function of using the underlined phrase in the above sentence?**

### **Question Number Five**

#### **A. EDITING:**

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

It used to be say that concentration starts to decrease after half an hour, so frequent breaks will help the prain to recover. also drinking lots of water is essential not to become dehydrated.

#### **B. GUIDED WRITING:**

Study the information in the table about compulsory education and complete the sentences below it. Use the Quantifiers to make comparisons such as, the most, the least, more than, less than

<b>Turkey</b>	6–18 years
<b>Portugal</b>	6–18 years
<b>Jordan</b>	6–15 years
<b>Japan</b>	6–15 years

#### **C. Free writing**

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

1. Face to face learning will be valuable in some Jordan's universities. Write an argumentative essay about the advantages and disadvantages of E-learning.

2. How do you think your education will influence your life after school? What will you study? What career would you like to have one day? Write an essay describing your future career.

3. You are going to join a university. Write a formal letter to a university of your choice. You are applying for a course at university and you need to persuade the university that you are the best candidate.

**THE END**

### Question Number One

A:

1. Maths, Accounting, Finance and Economics, Marketing and Sales, Management, Advertising, IT. (ذكر أي موضوعين "مادتين")
2. savings and pensions
3. He says that business studies is a four-year course which contain two periods of work experience, but they are not in the same year.
4. different people
5. finding suitable employees
6. (suggested answer)  
it gives you skills
  - it gives you good experience
  - you can meet new businessperson.
7. Graduates should get internship to have good experience, so they can get good job. Internship presents the graduates good opportunity to have work experience to get good job in large companies

### B- Answers:-

- 1- **tender**. 2- It's the long, upright part of the plant that supports the leaves: إنه الجزء الطويل المرتفع للأعلى والذي يحمل الأوراق.
- 3- It lays eggs: 4- unseen يضع بيضا

### Question Number Two

- A : 1- contact details 2- negotiate 3- go a head with 4- do 5- memory 6- take
- B: 1- get cold feet. 2- cause
- C: 1- concentrate 2- advisable 3- dominant 4- nutrients 5- successful 6- youth

### Question Number Three

- A: 1- were 2- covered 3- closes 4- had encouraged 5- don't they?
- B: 1- There isn't as much information on the website as in the book.
- 2- It is known that smoking cigarettes has many dangerous effects.  
Smoking cigarettes is known to have many dangerous effects.
- 3- If only I hadn't eaten so many sweets yesterday.
- 4- Do you mind explaining why the sky sometimes looks red.
- 5- The new inventions have been appreciated.
- 6- If I were you, I wouldn't worry so much about English exam at the end of the semester.
- 7- The police are looking into the cause of the accident.
- 8- Why don't you test your vocabulary very often? لماذا لا



### Question Number Four

A.

- 1- If only I had done more revision before the exam.
- 2- If I had conducted the survey on a scientific basis, it could not have been rejected.

C- increase suspense

### Question Number Five

A-

1. said
2. concentration
3. brain
4. ,also

B

1. Turkey and Portugal have the most compulsory education.
- 2- Jordan and Japan have the least compulsory schooling.

Or

- 1- Turkey has more compulsory education than Jordan.
- 2- Japan has less compulsory education than Portugal.

1- تركيا والبرتغال فيها الاكثر تعليم اجباري.

2. الاردن واليابان فيها الاقل تعليم اجباري.

او

3- تركيا فيها تعليم اجباري اكثر من الاردن.

4- اليابان فيها تعليم اجباري اقل من البرتغال.

C- open answer