

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

Speaking a foreign language, it is claimed, improves the functionality of your brain in several different ways. Learning new vocabulary and grammar rules provides the brain with beneficial 'exercise', which improves memory. As well as exercising the brain, it is thought that learning a new language also presents the brain with unique challenges. These include recognising different language systems and ways to communicate within these systems. These skills improve your chances of success in other problem-solving tasks as well. It is said that students who study foreign languages do better, on the whole, in general tests in maths, reading and vocabulary than students who have only mastered their mother tongue.

According to a study carried out by Pennsylvania State University, USA, multilingual people are able to switch between two systems of speech, writing, and structure quite easily. It has been proved that **they** are also able to switch easily between completely different tasks. One experiment required participants to operate a driving simulator while carrying out separate tasks at the same time. The experiment showed that multilingual participants were less distracted by the other tasks and therefore made fewer driving errors.

It is believed that language learning can also improve your decision-making skills. When you speak a foreign language, you are constantly weighing up subtle differences in meaning of a word or the way that an utterance is made. This process is then transferred subconsciously to other situations in which judgement is called for, and decisions have to be made.

Finally, learning a foreign language can also improve your ability to use your mother tongue more effectively. As you become more aware of the way that a language works, you begin to apply it to the language that you use every day. The skills you obtain from learning a foreign language, therefore, can make you a better speaker and writer in your own language.

Question Number One (20)

1. According to the text, there are two benefits of learning a new vocabulary and grammar. Write these benefits down.
2. According to the text, **acquiring /obtaining /learning** a foreign language has many advantages. Write down two of them.
3. Quote the sentence which **indicates //shows** that learning a foreign language develops your ability in writing and speaking in your own language.
4. Find a word in the text that means "something that is said, such as a statement".
5. What does the underlined word " **they**" refer to?
6. Quote the sentence which **indicates //shows** that learning a foreign language can help you to overcome many problems.
7. According to the text, two systems of speech multilingual people are able to switch between them easily. Write down these two systems.
8. There are two results of Pennsylvania State University. Write down these two results.

B- Literature spot: (3 points)

Read the following lines from "Around" A Green Cornfield", and then answer the questions that follow:

'Yet you sell tickets from Bombay to Calcutta,' retorted Sir Francis, who was growing warm.

'No doubt,' replied the conductor, 'but the passengers know that they must provide means of transportation for themselves from Kholby to Allahabad.'

'Sir Francis,' said Mr Fogg quietly, 'we will, if you please, look about for some means of conveyance to Allahabad.'

1. What expression is used to mean Sir Francis is getting annoyed?

2. Which words tell you that Mr Fogg doesn't show any anger?

Question Number Two : (15 points)

A. Choose the suitable item from those given to complete each of the following sentences. There are more words than you need. Write your answers in your ANSWERBOOKLET.

earn , applicants , financial , cause , blame

1. These days, most people are suffering from..... problems.

2. Polite person, don'toffence or upset to anyone.

3. In order to join our company, the new.....must prove that they deceive the job.

4. Salem himself because he hasn't got top mark this semester.

B. Study the following sentence and answer the questions that follow. (3 points)

1. I was born in a small village, but I **didn't spend my childhood** there.

Replace **the underlined words in bold with its suitable meaning.**

2. I need to organise my time better. I think I'll **take a break** .

Replace the underlined **collocation in the above sentence with the correct one.**

C. Complete the following sentences with the suitable words derived from the words in box and write the answer down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (6points)

1. To be in English, you should daily practice it.

(**fluency , fluent , fluently**)

2. The new hand, which was developed by Swiss and Italian scientists, was a huge.....

(**improve , improved, improvement**)

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Question Number Three :(13 points)

A. Correct the verb between brackets and then write your answer down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (6 points)

- 1. Our exams have already by our teacher. (be , mark)
- 2.your books, will you? (not , open)
- 3. We always turn the light off when weat home. (not , be)

B. Complete each of the following items so that the new item has a similar meaning to the one before it, and writes it down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (9points)

1. Where does your friend Ahmed come from?

Can you tell me

2. It's a pity that Rasha wasn't at the party. She was travelling abroad.

If only Randa.....

3. People speak Spanish in most South American countries.

Spanish.....

4. Doctors have proved that the brain stopped all activity 30 seconds after the death.

It.....

5. English isn't as difficult as math.

Math.....

Question Number Four: (10 points)

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

1. In Jordan, pre-school and kindergarten education are optional, while basic education is free and compulsory,.....?

(isn't it , does it , aren't they , is it)

2. I'm..... now than yesterday.

(good , better , the best , the good)

3. Rashed always comes late, despite the fact that he gets..... early.

(up , in , at , off)

4. The teacher asked us.....our favourite books.

(into , on , at , about)

5. Your health gets worse and worse you still smoking.

(even if , as long as , provided that , unless)

B. Complete the following mini – dialogue by using an expression of giving advice.

Hatem: I think you should lose your weight.

(2 points)

Ahmed: Why don't

Question Number Five (15 points)

A-EDITING

(4points)

Imagine you are an editor in the Jordan Times, you are asked to edit the following lines that have one grammar mistake, two spelling mistakes and one punctuation mistake. Correct the mistakes and write them in your ANSWER BOOKLET.

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

B-GUIDED WRITING

(4points)

Read the information in the table below then, in your ANSWER BOOKLET, write two sentences about **the best ways of losing your weight.** Use appropriate liking words.

The best ways to lose your weight

- you should drink 8 to 10 glasses of water.
- you should do exercises.
- you should use certain types vegetarian nutrition.
- you should reduce the amount of calories you eat.

Best Wishes: Rae'd AL-Natoor

Question Number One (20)

1. a - provides the brain with beneficial 'exercise', which improves memory b - As well as exercising the brain,
2. a - improves the functionality of your brain in several different ways. b- improve your decision-making skills. c - improve your ability to use your mother tongue more effectively. d - make you a better speaker and writer in your own language.
3. The skills you obtain from learning a foreign language, therefore, can make you a better speaker and writer in your own language.
4. utterance
5. multilingual people
6. These skills improve your chances of success in other problem-solving tasks as well.
7. a - writing, b - structure
8. a - multilingual people are able to switch between two systems of speech, writing, and structure quite easily. b - they are also able to switch easily between completely different tasks.

B- Literature spot:

1. growing warm
2. we will, if you please, look about for some means of conveyance to Allahabad.'

Question Number Two

A.

1. financial
2. cause
3. applicants
4. blame

B.

1. grow up
2. draw up a timetable.

C.

1. fluent
2. improvement

Question Number Three

A.

1. been marked 2. Don't open 3. aren't

B.

1. Can you tell me where your friend Ahmed comes from?
2. If only Randa Rasha had been at the party. or If only Randa Rasha hadn't been travelling abroad.
3. Spanish is spoken in most South American countries.
4. It has been proved that the brain stopped all activity 30 seconds after the death.
5. Math is more difficult than English.

Question Number Four:

A.

1. aren't they 2. better 3. up 4. about 5. as long as

B.

Ahmed: Why don't you practise sport? أو اي نصيحه اخرى

Question Number Five

A-EDITING

inroll - enroll distance - distance time, It - time. It

will becomes - will become

B-GUIDED WRITING

open answer