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## GENERAL ENGLISH



PART ONE: READING COMPREHENSION :( 20 POINTS) 2 قطع متوقعة لهـاًا العام والعلم عند الله

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

## PART ONE: READING COMPPREHENSION :( 20 POINTS)

## Text 1

## Capital Cities

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 centers, containing national and international bank and other financial institutions.

Amman is not different from other capital cities in this respect - it has the biggest population of any city in Jordan and is home to about a third of the people. The buildings of the city are very smart and futuristic; the city actually has a history going back over 8,000 years. It was only established as the capital in 1921, but has many ancient buildings.

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. 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.

Brasilia 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 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)

1. Capital cities have many features/ qualities. Write down two of them.
2. Write down two administrative buildings that are found in capital cities.
3. Write down the sentence which shows that a large proportion of people live in Amman.
4. What do the underlined words "they" \& "which" "it" refer to?
5. Write down the sentence which indicates that Amman is an ancient city.

6- Write down the differences between Amman and Brasilia.
7. There are two similarities between Amman and Brasilia. Write them down.
8. Write down the two differences between Rio de Janiero and Brasilia.
9. Write down the sentence which implies when Brasilia became a capital city.

10- Brasilia is divided into sectors. Write down two of these sectors.
11- Buildings in Amman have two characteristics. Write them
12. Find a word in the second paragraph which means " clearly defined." "a particular part of an area"
13. What does the underlined word " fraction " mean?
B. Critical Thinking:
(2 POINTS)
"Living in capital cities has many advantages Think of the statement and write your point of view in two sentences.

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## Text 2

## Traditional crafts in Madaba / self-taught success

One example of this can be found in Madaba, where an organisation has been set up to help preserve the world-famous mosaics found there. These ancient mosaics are made with thousands of tiny pieces of coloured stone or tile. They give us information about the way people lived at the time, tell us about old kings and illustrate ancient maps and pictures of local events. They are very useful for historians.

Today, local people are taught how to make these mosaics for commercial sale. This helps to educate people about the need to protect what is old, while also providing them with a living.

Tariq was born in Amman in 1962 into a successful Jordanian family .his father worked as a civil servant and his mother, who had once been a teacher, was a hardworking housewife. His brother Hani was very bright and, after finishing university, went on to become a civil engineer.

One day, one of his friends saw an oud he had made and asked him to make one for him
too. This was the beginning of Tariq's career as an instrument maker and soon he was able to give up making furniture and make instruments instead. With the money he made he was able to get married and start a family, buying his own villa outside Amman.

1- Mosaics are useful to historians for two reasons. Write these two reasons down.

2- Teaching local people how make mosaics have two benefits. Write these two benefits down.
3- With the money Tareq made he was able to do two things. Write down these two things. OR write down two advantages (benefits) of Tareq's new career as instrument maker.

4- Write down Tariq's old and new careers?

5- Write down the sentence which talks about Tareq's parents career.
6- Success is an inevitable result of working hard. Explain this statement suggesting three ways that can make a person successful.

7- Replace the underlined informal word "beginning" in the text with the correct "formal word".
8- What does the underlined word "they" \& "who" refer to?

## B. Critical Thinking: (2 POINTS)

"Preserving traditional crafts is very important." Think of the statement and write your point of view in two sentences.

Question Number Two: (15 points)
A. Choose the best answer from those given to fill in the blanks. Write the answers in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (8 points)

| drip, <br> champion, | bow face the music, | constant, | profitable, |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

1. The boys usually $\qquad$ the violin on the stage.
2. If you break the law, you have to $\qquad$
3. I heard the tap $\qquad$ so I went to the bathroom and turned it off.
4. Rabab left her work because it is not $\qquad$
5. Because of $\qquad$ he was unable to finish climbing.

6- Steve Fossett can keep his balloon at .altitude.
A. Choose the best answer from those given to fill in the blanks. Write the answers in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (8 points)

| make up, <br> come over, | progress, | hustle and bustle | do without, | trumpet, |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

1. Some people enjoy the $\qquad$ of shopping in street markets.
2. There is no exchange shop or bank here, so I have to it.
3. In less than ten minutes, the whole building was $\qquad$
4. Why don't you after school?

3- The formal word of " move forward" is $\qquad$
6. To tell other people or person how successful you are it means blow one's own

## B. Study the following entry and answer the questions that follow. Write the answer down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (3 points)

1. What does the phrasal verb do up to mean in the following sentence.

You should do up your room before you go to school.
$\qquad$
2. What does the multi -part verb made up to mean in the following sentence?

He said everything was okay, but that was just a story he made up to stop me from worrying.
$\qquad$
3. What does the multi -part verb do away with mean in the following sentence?

The time has come to do away with our old television. We are going to buy a LCD television.

4- What does the underlined idiom pick and choose mean?

Graduates with first class degree can often pick and choose the jobs they want.

5- What does the underlined idiom odds and ends mean?

I tided my office the other days and found all kinds of odds and ends on my desk.
6. Njoud and Rawia must be twins, they looked very similar.

Replace the underlined adjective with an equivalent// suitable adjective beginning with (a) that has the same meaning // a similar to it.

7- The new bridge in the city will be operational next year.

Replace the underlined formal word with an equivalent// suitable informal word.
8. If you break the speed limited, you have to face the music.

Replace the underlined music idiom with the correct meaning.
9. The old man in hospital on his way to recover after being found unconscious.

Replace the underlined word with the suitable phrasal verb.
10. Jordan hopes to be able to attract the tourists to visit the historical places.

Replace the underlined informal word in the following sentence with the correct formal word.
11. No one can hide his burning feeling when he talks about his country.

Replace the underlined adjective with an equivalent// suitable adjective beginning with (a) that has a similar meaning to it.
C. Complete the following sentences with the suitable words derived from the words in brackets andwrite it down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (4 POINTS)1-The government should preserve and restore
$\qquad$ sites. (archeology)
2- A $\qquad$ storm hit the coastal towns of America last night. (destruction)
3- Cutting down trees in the rainforests might $\qquad$ to change the world's climate. (threatening)
4- Careless drivers can seriously $\qquad$ the safety of pedestrians. (destruction)
5- That shop offers a wide $\qquad$ of bags. (vary)
6- Many important. $\qquad$ documents were destroyed many years ago. (history)
7- She has bought a $\qquad$ made dress. (skillful)
8- He has a natural $\qquad$ to be a leader. (able)
9- It is possible that coffee is the most $\qquad$ drink in the world. (popularity)
10- They are going to pay you after the $\qquad$ of the work. (complete)

## Question Number Three (12 PONITS)

## A. Correct the verb between brackets. (4 points)


9- Three sections of the book ..... since 2014. (write)
B. Complete each of the following items so that the new item has a similar meaning to the one before it. (9 points)

1-" I am going to take my car from the park."
Huda told me that.

2-" The teachers are writing the questions of the final exam."

Ahmad said that

3-" When have you lost your bag?"

Omar asked the girl $\qquad$
4-" How did you manage to reach the summit of the mountain?"

The reporters asked Mr Mahmoud $\qquad$

5-" Are you taking an exam?"

The head master asked me $\qquad$

6- "Have the workers started the work yet?"

Ali asked me $\qquad$

7- "Why were you angry yesterday?"
Akram wanted to know $\qquad$

8- "Does the secretary make the necessary arrangements for the visit?"
The principle wanted to know $\qquad$
9. Nobody has informed the boys about the party.

The boys
10. Rawan made a big cake for her birthday last night.

A big cake $\qquad$
11- The Mayor of the city inaugurated a new park last Monday.

A new park $\qquad$
12- They shouldn't have forced people living near the river out of their homes.
People living near the river $\qquad$
13- Engineers couldn't repair the bridge because it was badly damaged.
The bridge $\qquad$

14- We didn't redecorate our flat ourselves.
We
15- I'm not going to cut the tree myself.

1. $\qquad$

Question Number Four: (7 points)
A. Join each pair of the following sentences using the given linking words between brackets so that the new sentence has a similar meaning to the ones before it. Write the answers down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (4 points)

1-I don't like to play tennis. Let's watch a movie.

## but , instead of , although

2- Flying. Driving is quite slow and dangerous.

> although , in comparison with , but

3- Spending time watching T.V. Ahmad decided to stop wasting more time.
but , instead of, although

4-The program was broing. He continued to watch it.

In comparison with, but, instead of
5- Ali doesn't need any money. Ali still works as a waiter.

> although , instead of, in comparison with
B. read the following mini-dialogue carefully, then answer the question that follows and write the answer down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (3 points)
B. Naser: It may rainy today and I need to go out.

Jamal: in my experience, if your wear a heavy coat, you will not be affected by cold.
What is the function of Jamal's statement? $\qquad$
B. Rami: What would you take for a desert trip?

Ahmad: I'd take a blanket because the desert is very cold at night.
What is the function of Ahmad's statement? $\qquad$
B. Salwa: The best way to succeed is to study hard.

Huda: Yes you're right.
What is the function of Huda's statement? $\qquad$

PART FOUR: EDITING, GUIDED AND FREE WRITING: (15 points)
A. EDITING: (4 points)

You are the editor of your school magazine. You get a message with these mistakes from one of your colleagues. Correct these mistakes.
diprived, diffikult, overkrowding, priserve, mosaiks, exhauztion, frostbyte, ashievements, sektor, fracsion, contribusion , controled, skiled, potery, klay, ballon, teknological, autobilot, comercial, polution, weelthy.
B. GUIDED WRITING: (4 points)

2- Read the information in the table below then write two sentences about English language. Use the appropriate linking words such as: and, also....etc.

| Why do people use mobiles? |
| :--- |
| - call other people |
| - connect the internet. |
| - send messages. |
| - use the camera to take photos. |

3- Read the information in the table below then write two sentences about English language. Use the appropriate linking words such as: and, also....etc.

| How to improve your English language? |
| :--- |
| - listen to English programs. |
| - read English newspapers and magazines. |
| - join English courses regularly. |

## C. FREE WRITING: (7 POINTS)

Write a composition about 80 words on ONE of the following:
1- Jordan has been suffering from a serious problem for many years which is traffic accidents. Write an essay suggesting the best ways to improve road safety in Jordan. (eg. Making the streets wider, putting more traffic lights, more signs in the roads)

2- Write a report about how to be a good student in your school.

3- Many people are concerned about the social media such as facebook and Wattsapp. Write an essay discussing the advantages and disadvantages of social media and suggest ways for young men to spend their free time.

## Smile, God Loves you

## TEXT 1

1-a- its greatest city, with the largest population
b- the most important administrative buildings. Capital cities house government
2- a- government offices b-embassies
3- " Amman has the biggest population of any city in Jordan and is home to about a third of the people."

4- "capital cities." \& "Brasilia" \& " Rio de Janiero"

5- " the city actually has a history going back over 8,000 years. "

6- a- Brasilia is not the major cultural or economic centre of Brazil.
b- with 2.5 million people. It is home to only a tiny fraction of the huge Brazilian population.
7- a- Both of them are administrative centres
b-contain the key political buildings and institutions
8- a- Rio de Janeiro, which remains a major economic and cultural centre.
b- having a population of many millions more.

9- " Brasilia is a new city and has only been the capital of Brazil since 1960. "

10- a-business. b-industry

11- a- smart. b-futuristic.

12- "specific" "sector"

13- a small amount of something

## TEXT 2

1- a- They give us information about the way people lived at the time
b- tell us about old kings and illustrate ancient maps and pictures of local events.
2- a- This helps to educate people about the need to protect what is old
b- providing them with a living.

3- a- he was able to get married and start a family. b-buying his own villa outside Amman.
4- a-instrument maker . b-making furniture.
5- his father worked as a civil servant and his mother, who had once been a teacher, was a hardworking house- wife.

6- There are many ways that can make a person successful such as studying hard at the university and choosing a suitable career to work in.

7- "inception"
8- "mosaics." "his mother."

