

**THE HASHEMITE KINGDOM OF JORDAN-MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
 GENERAL ENGLISH**
الدورة السنوية / المستوى الرابع
DATE: Saturday 21st of January 2018
TIME: 1 HOUR AND A HALF
ملحوظات: (1) أحب عن جميع أسئلة هذه الورقة. (2) للمتقدمين لجميع الفروع الأكاديمية.
(3) عدد صفحات هذا الامتحان (4) صفحات و عدد الأسئلة (5).

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

A few years ago, as many as 1,000 schools across the USA started making school years longer by adding up to ten extra days to the school year or by making each school day longer by half an hour.

This was because it was found that secondary school students in the USA and the UK were spending the least time at school, with an average school year of 187 days. The typical Jordanian school year is longer than this. However, none of these are nearly as long as the school year in countries like Japan and South Korea. South Koreans attend school for 220 days per year, and in Japan, the school year numbers 243 days.

According to a study by the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), students in Japan, Indonesia and South Korea spend the most time studying in the world. They want to learn as much as they can to ensure excellent exam grades. They go to school for about nine hours, although this includes **optional** after-school **tuition** and activities. They also spend about three hours on homework every day, **which** is three times as much as many other countries. Their high **academic** achievements do suggest that the longer you study, the better you do in final exams.

In Finland, however, students are usually given less than half an hour of homework per night, and they attend school for fewer and shorter days than 85% of other **developed nations**. Despite this, they achieve top marks in subjects like Maths and Science. In addition, most students also speak at least two, and often three, languages **fluently**. The **contradictory** views of the study suggest that the number and length of school days is not the only factor in determining whether students will succeed at school or not.

Question Number One (20 points)

- A.**
1. Quote the sentence which indicates that "students in Finland speak more than two languages"
 2. The USA started making school years longer by two ways. Write them down.
 3. What do the underlined word "refer to?"
 4. What does the underlined word mean "المستطيل فقط والموضوعه داخل المستطيل"
 5. Quote the sentence which indicates that the school year in the USA and the UK was shorter than in Jordan.
 6. Quote the sentence which shows that Jordanian students attend school for more than 187 days.
 7. Write down the sentence which shows "the number of the days of the school year in both Japan and South Korea"

B. Literature spot:

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

اقرأ الأسطر التالية من قصيدة حفل ذرة احضر بعناية، ثم أجب عن الأسئلة التي تلي:

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. What does the underlined word "he" refer to?
2. Who or what is in the nest? ?
3. Where is the nest?
4. What does the underlined word "tender" suggest?

Question Number Two (15 point)

A. Choose the suitable item from those given in the box to complete each of the following sentences. There are more words than you need. Write down the answer in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (8 points) .

اختر الكلمة المناسبة وضعها في الفراغ المناسب. هناك كلمات اكثر مما تحتاج اليه.

secure, come up with, drop, a head for, minority

1. There was a small..... who opposed the decision.
2. I had realized that the course wasn't going well, so I decided to.....it.
3. Most people are looking for and rewarding jobs.
4. Traffic in Amman is getting worse and worse. They need to.....a plan to solve the problem.

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

ادرس الجملة التالية ثم أجب عن السؤال الذي يليها. أكتب الجواب في دفتر الإجابة.

1. The police are investigating to discover who killed the old man.

Replace the underlined verb with the suitable phrasal verb.

استبدل الفعل الذي تحته خط بفعل مركب مناسب.

2. If you need something, you can speak to stewards and stewardesses onboard.

Replace the underlined word with the correct gender-neutral words.

استبدل الكلمة التي تحتها خط بكلمات تحيد الجنس.

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

أكمل الجمل التالية باستعمال الاشتقاق الصحيح للكلمة التي بين الأقواس.

1. Mr. Ahmad is a very.....and hard-working teacher. (**conscience**)
2. Two letters of reference are..... in my application form. (**enclose**)
3. The boy wasn't really.....about doing his homework last night. (**enthusiasm**)
4. Bilal is working as an accountant for a local company to gain work experience. (**internship**)

Question Number Three (12 point)

A. Correct the verb between brackets. صحح الفعل بين الأقواس

1. We will have a tour next month **unless** it (snow)
2. A new bridge hasrecently in Amman. (establish)
3. Khaled is not good at chess. He wishes he smarter! (be)
4. If only I English better when I was younger. (learn)
5. Do you mindme in the homework? (help)

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

أكمل الجمل التالية بحيث تكون الجملة بنفس معنى التي قبلها، واكتبها في دفتر الإجابة.

1. There are more people living in cities than in villages.
There aren't.....
2. Can you translate this sentence for me into Arabic, please?
Do you mind.....?
3. Shadi he lost in the first round because he didn't prepare well for the contest.
If.....
4. The parliament has adopted new acts of computer crimes.
New acts of computer crimes.....

Question Number Four (8 point)

A. Read the following situations and complete the sentences using the word in brackets. Write the answer down in your ANSWER BOOKLET.

اقرأ المواقف التالية وأكمل الجمل باستخدام حمل الشرط من النوع الثالث، واستعمل الكلمات التي بين الأقواس.

1. They say that fish is good for the brain.
Fish.....
2. You shouldn't worry so much.
If I.....
3. The cheapest thing on the menu is orange juice.
The least.....
4. My father regrets leaving school at an early age.
My father wishes.....

B. Complete each of the following sentences by adding the correct question tag to the end of each of them. Write the answers down in your ANSWER BOOKLET

أكمل الجمل التالية بإضافة السؤال الذلي الصحيح في نهاية كل جملة.

1. Ramzi works overtime every day,.....?
2. The children played for many hours,.....?
3. Open that window, it is very hot here,.....?

C. Study the following sentences and answer the question that follows.

ادرس الجمل التالية ثم أجب عن السؤال الذي يلي:

Rami is very intelligent; **because of that**, he always stands out his colleagues.

What is the function of using "because of that" in the above sentence?

Question Number Five (15 points)

EDITING 4) التحرير (4 points)

A. 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 answer down in your ANSWER BOOKLET.

نحيل بأنك محرر في جريدة الجوردان تايمز. طلب منك أن تحرر الأسطر التالية والتي تحتوي على أربعة أخطاء) خطأ واحد قواعد، وخطأ في علامات الترقيم وخطأين في الإملاء. (جد الأخطاء الأربعة وصححها. اكتب الإجابات الصحيحة في دفتر الإجابة.

You will be expect to do a lot of work outside the classroom, and you need to be very highly motivated. Moreover, whatever subjects you take in school, you will need to do very well in. Traditional akademic subjects like History, English and Social Studies are good places to start. You will be doing a lot of essays at university, so any subjects that require essay writing will be useful. Does that answer your question.

B- GUIDED WRITING:(4 points)

Read the information and then in your ANSWER BOOKLET, write two sentences about the benefits of tablets inside the class room. Use the appropriate linking words such as: and, too.... etc.

اقرأ المعلومات التي في الجدول ثم اكتب جملتين عن فوائد الكمبيوترات المحمولة داخل غرفة الصف. واستعمل كلمات ربط مناسبة.

- show photographs
- search information
- recorder interviews
- create diagrams

C. FREE WRITING (7 points) الإنشاء الحر (7 نقاط)

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

اكتب موضوع إنشاء تقريبا 120 كلمة في أحد الموضوعين التاليين

1. Write a four-paragraph report on the education system in Jordan. Include information about school starting and leaving ages, grades, school subjects, hours and further education.
اكتب تقرير من اربعة فقرات حول نظام التعليم في الاردن. تتضمن معلومات حول ابتداء المدرسة ، وعمر المغادرة والصفوف والمواد الدراسية، وساعات مواصلة التعليم.
2. You are going to write a guide for students who will start Grade 12 next year. Make sure you tell them what they should do to be successful, and what it would be a good idea for them to do. Add any useful advice you can think of.
ستقوم بكتابة دليل للطلاب الذين سيبدأون الصف 12 في العام القادم. تأكد من إخبارهم ما يجب أن يفعلوه ليكون ناجحين، وما الفكرة الجيدة لهم للقيام بها. قم بإضافة أي مشورة مفيدة يمكن أن تخطر لك.
3. Imagine you work for a travel company that specialises in package holidays in Jordan. First, design your package holiday, which should include a variety of locations. Make notes

Question Number One

A

1. In addition, most students also speak at least two, and often three, languages fluently.
2. Adding up to ten extra days to the school year or by making each school day longer by half an hour
3. The typical Jordanian school year is longer than this.
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5. South Koreans attend school for 220 days per year, and in Japan, the school year numbers 243 days.

B. Literature spot:

1. male skylark. 2. female skylark- his mate. 3. Somewhere among the million stalks of corn
4. fresh and young

Question Number Two

A 1. minority 2. drop 3. secure 4. come up with

B find out/ flight attendants

C 1. conscientious 2. enclosed 3. enthusiastic 4. intern

Question Number Three (12 point)

A 1. Smows 2. Been established 3. Was 4. had learnt 5. helping

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B 1. doesn't he? 2. didn't they? 3. will you? Or won't you?

C to show result/ explain the consequences of an action

Question Number Five

A 1. expected 2. Traditional 3. academic 4. your question?

B There are many benefits of tablets inside the class room like showing photographs, searching information and recording interviews, too. Another benefit is creating diagrams.

C