



#### THE HASHIMATE KINGDOM OF JORDAN-MINISTRY OF EDUCATION GENERAL SECONDARY CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION-2017 GENERAL ENGLISH

الدورة الشتوية/المستوى الرابع/الكتاب الجديد كاتب الأسئلة : مصطفى الجعفري

**DATE:** 

TIME: 1 HOUR AND HALF

1- اجب عن اسئلة هذة الروقة جميعها. 2- للمتقدمين للفروع الاكاديمية. 3- عدد الأسئلة: (5), و عدد الصفحات (4).

## Read the following article carefully, and then in your ANSWER BOOKLET answer all the questions that follow. Yours 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 one 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, <u>this</u> option will become available in many other universities.

#### **Question Number One** (21 points)

- A.1. For the students who want to study at a university they can choose one of two paths, write these two paths down. (4 points)
  - 2. There are many public universities that students can join in Jordan. Write down three of these public universities. (2 points)
  - 3. Quote the sentence which shows the collaboration between Jordan and another country in a private university. (3 points)
  - 4. Find a word that means "something you have to do" (2 points)
  - 5. What does the underlined pronoun "this" refer to? (2 points)

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6. Face-to-face learning has many advantages think of this statement and in two sentences write down your point of view. (3 points)

7. A numerous benefits for learning foreign language. Think of this statement; write down your point of view. (2points)

#### **B. literature spot: (3points)**

Read the following extract about *around the world in eighty days* then answer the questions that follow.

The elephant, which was reared, not to be an animal that merely carried things around, but for warlike purposes, was half-domesticated. Happily, however, for Mr Fogg, the animal's instruction in this direction had not gone far, and the elephant still preserved its natural gentleness.

Why did the Indian man decide to rear an elephant? (1 points)
How do we know that the elephant is not aggressive? (2 points)

#### **Question Number Two: (14 points)**

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

concentration, get cold feet, make a start, spill, shake hands

1. The deadline is tomorrow, and you haven't done anything yet! You really must.....

2. Please be careful with your juice. Don't .....it on the floor.

3. In business, when you meet someone for the first time, it's polite to.....

4. I'm too nervous to do a parachute jump. I think that I'll ..... at the last minute.

# B. Study the following sentence and answer the question that follows. Write the answer down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (2 points)

Before I can solve the problem, please tell me – how did it happen?

Replace the underlined verb with the suitable phrasal verb.

## 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)

1. My father works for an ..... that helps to protect the environment. (organise)

2. It's ..... to take regular breaks when revising. (benefit)

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#### C. Study the following sentence and answer the question that follows. (2 points)

We couldn't go to the stadium <u>as</u> there weren't any tickets left. What is the function of using **as** in the above sentence?

### **Question Number Five: (15 points)**

#### A. EDITING (4 points)

Imagine you are an editor in the Jordan times. You are asked to edit the following lines that have four mistakes <u>(one grammar mistake , one punctuation mistake and two spelling mistakes)</u>. Find out these four mistakes and correct them. Write the correct answers down in your ANSWER <u>BOOKLET</u>.

I've just applied for a job with a Pank. I have the right qualefications, but I know there will be a lot of other applicants, I'll just have to wait and see if I get an interview. If I do, I'd have to prepare really carefully.

### **B. GUIDED WRITING** (4 points)

Read the information below, and then in your ANSWER BOOKLET, write two sentences about starting 12 grade next year. Use the appropriate linking words.

#### Starting grade 12 next year

- Summarise every lesson you take at school.
- Get enough sleep to concentrate while reading.
- Memorise as much words as you can.

## C. FREE WRITING (7 points)

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

1. 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.

2. 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.

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