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GENERAL ENGLISH

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Despite the high cost, most students choose to study away from home. A recent survey of 17,000 students revealed that only 7% wanted to stay at home while they studied for their degree. Of course for most young people, living away from home means borrowing even more money from the government. So why don't students choose to avoid debt by staying at home, where they don't have to pay rent? Most of them say that they want to move to the university of their choice, rather than the nearest one. Another strong motive is the desire to live in a new culture. Where do these students live? Many have rooms in halls of residence, especially in their first year; others rent flats or houses. A lucky minority live in property that their parents have bought for them. Most of them need to learn to cook, do their own washing and manage their time and money.

A. 1. Question Number One (22 points)

1. There are two huge changes which occurred in higher education in England.
Write them down. (2 points)
2. The writer mentioned two reasons that make students choose to study away from home.
Mention them. (2 points)
3. There are many challenges facing the students who choose to study abroad.
Mention three. (3 points)
4. What does the underlined word " **motive** " mean ? (2 point)
5. Quote the sentence which indicates that studying away from home is expensive . (3 points)
6. What does the underlined pronoun " **it** " refer to ? (2 point)
7. Studying abroad is beneficial and helpful to students.
Suggest three things they can achieve by studying abroad. (3 points)
8. The number of students who go on to higher education increased in the last years and this helps in the prosperity of their country .
Think of this statement and, and in two sentences, write down your point of view. (2 points)

B. Literature spot : (3 points)

Read the following lines from " The Green Cornfield " carefully, then answer the question that follow:

A stage below, in gay accord,
White butterflies danced on the wing,
And still the singing skylark soared,
And silent sank and soared to sing.

- 1. The poet uses many examples of alliteration. Find one example.
What effect is the poet trying to achieve with this technique ?**
- 2. What does the word "accord" mean ?**

Question Number Two (15 points)

A. Choose the suitable item from those given to complete each of the following sentences and write it down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (8 points)

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1. I am not sure if it will be warm enough to have a barbecue . we will have to -----.
2. By working hard, you will earn the ----- of your boss.
3. The deadline is tomorrow, and you haven't done anything yet! You really must-----.
4. Language ----- is becoming important for anyone who wants to travel or work.

B. Study the following sentence and answer the question that follows.

Write the answer in your ANSWER BOOKLET.

(3 points)

1. Every fireman should do his job responsibly .
Replace the underlined word with the correct gender-neutral words.
2. We were late due to the traffic.
What is the function of using the underlined word "**due to**" ?

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

1. If you work hard, I'm sure you will ----- .
(success - succeed - successful)
2. Congratulations on a very----- business deal.
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(revision - revise - revisable)
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(proficient - proficiently - proficiency)

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A. Correct the verbs between brackets :

(4 points)

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1. Teachers say that some students will make a revolution in technology.
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I wish -----
4. Reading English stories is more interesting than reading Japanese stories.
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Unless -----
6. Engineers have claimed that building bridges reduces the traffic jams .
Building bridges -----
7. English students have less information than Japanese students.
Japanese students don't -----
8. Scientists have made an interesting experiment.
An -----
9. Who is in charge of these students ? (responsible)
Who ----- ?

Question Number Four (7 points)

A. Read the following situations and complete the sentences with the third conditional, using the words in brackets. Write the answers down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (4 points)

1. I didn't recognize Ali, so I wasn't able to speak with him. (If , could)

2. We invited them yesterday because the graduation ceremony was in Jerash. (If , would not)

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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. (3 points)

1. Salem has done his homework recently , -----?
3. Let's talk to the principal , -----?
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C. Choose the correct word and write the answers down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (5 points

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Read the information in the table below, and then in your ANSWER BOOKLET , write two sentences about Why people should read more books . Use the appropriate linking words such as: and, too, also, etc

Why people should read more books

- develop verbal abilities
- increase focus and concentration
- refresh money
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2. The job of an interpreter is secure and rewarding , but it needs special skills and qualities . Write an essay about the skills that you have to obtain in order to be a professional interpreter and the benefits that you can achieve from this job .

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reason

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Making friends - learning new cultures - increasing awareness - developing skills - developing abilities

8. The number of students who go on to higher education increased in the last years and this helps in the prosperity of their country. Think of this statement and, in two sentences, write down your point of view. (2 points)

Suggested answer : I think this statement is true because learning helps students to increase their awareness and knowledge, so they can make new things and new inventions that help in the development of their countries. Also, they can employ what they have learnt about the advanced technology in increasing their country's economy.

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Open answer

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