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**Read the following article carefully and then in your answer booklet answer the questions that follow. Your answer should be based on the article.**

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 enroll onto online distance learning programmes. In the future, this option will become available in many other universities.

**Question Number One (17 points)**

1. There different levels of degrees that you can get at the university after leaving school. Write down two of them. **(4 points)**
2. There are three main Jordanian universities with most graduates. Write them down. **(2 points)**
3. Write down the sentence which shows how many universities there are in Jordan. **(2 points)**
4. Find a word in the text which means "to officially arrange to join a school, university or Course". **(2 points)**
5. What does the underlined pronoun refer to? **(2 points)**
6. It is possible in some Jordanian universities to enroll onto online distance learning programmes. Explain this statement, suggesting three benefits of online distance learning. **(3 points)**
7. Taking care of education in Jordan improves the Jordanian society. Think of this statement and , in two sentences , write down your point of view. **(2 points)**

Read the following article carefully and then in your answer booklet answer the questions that follow. Your answer should be based on the article.

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 (17 points)

1. There are two ways to make school years longer in the USA. Write them down. (2points)
2. Three countries have the most time studying in the world. Write them down. (3points)
3. Quote the sentence which indicates that the longer school year days means better exam grades. (3points)
4. Find a word in the text which means "available as a choice". (2points)
5. What does the underlined pronoun refer to? (2points)
6. The number and length of school days is not the only factor in determining whether students will succeed at school or not. Suggest three ways to help students to succeed. (3points)
7. The longer you study, the better you do in final exams. Think of this statement, and in two sentences , write down your point of view. (2points)

Read the following article carefully and then in your answer booklet answer the questions that follow. Your answer should be based on the article.

My name is Fatima Musa and I have worked as an interpreter for five years. Many students have emailed me about my work because they want to know what it would be like to do my job. So here is my reply.

I have always been fond of languages. My father worked in many different countries when I was young and we usually travelled with him. When we visited a country, I always wanted to learn the language. At school I was very good at English. Therefore, I decided on a career as an interpreter.

My job now involves going to important conferences and seminars around the world. When a person speaks in English at a conference, I listen to what they say through headphones. I then translate into Arabic while the speaker is talking. I give the translation through headphones to other people at the meeting. This means that anyone in the room who speaks Arabic can understand what people are saying.

Is it an easy job? Not at all. English is not the same in all English-speaking countries. For example, the English words that are used in India are sometimes different to the words that people use in the UK, the USA or Australia. As well as knowing regional English, you also need to know a lot of specialist language. Some of the words that are used to talk about business, science or law, for example, make it almost a different language!

Unless you have a language degree, you will not be able to become an interpreter. Provided that you have a postgraduate qualification, you will probably get a job as an interpreter quite quickly. If you get an interview for a job, you will need to show that you have good listening skills and a clear speaking voice. You will also need to show that you can think quickly and that you are able to concentrate for long periods of time. If you are successful, it is a secure and rewarding job. You will probably need to travel a lot, but that is not a problem as long as you enjoy visiting other countries.

It is a very responsible job. I am aware that if I translate things badly, it could affect an important law or trade agreement between countries. However, you get a huge feeling of satisfaction when you know that people understand everything that you translate.

### Question Number One (17 points)

1. Many things encouraged Fatima to decide on a career as an interpreter .Write down two of them . (4 points)
2. You have to show some skills in an interview for the job of an interpreter . Write down two of these skills. (2 points)
3. Quote the sentence which shows the consequence of bad translation. (2 points)
4. Find a word in the text which means "giving personal satisfaction". (2 points)
5. What do the underlined words "pronouns" refer to? (2 points)



6. If you want to get a good job, you have to be well-qualified. Suggest three things you can do to get a good job. (3 points)
7. It is said that if you love your job, you will achieve success. Think of this statement and, in two sentences, write down your point of view. (2 points)

**Read the following article carefully and then in your answer booklet answer the questions that follow. Your answer should be based on the article.**

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 recognizing 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 math's, 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 judgment is called for, and decisions have to be made.

Finally, learning a 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 language, therefore, can make you a better speaker and writer in your own language.

**Question Number One (17 points)**

1. There are many benefits of learning a new language. Write down two of these benefits. (4 points)
2. There are two systems of speech that multilingual people can switch between them easily. Write them down. (2 points)
3. Quote the sentence which indicates that learning a foreign language improves mother tongue. (2 points)
4. Find a word in the text which means 'the first and the main language that you learnt when you were a child' (2 points)
5. What does the underlined word " pronoun" refer to ? (2 points)
6. The writer states that learning a foreign language is beneficial in many ways. Suggest three benefits of learning a foreign language. (3 points)
7. Learning English is very important these days . Think of this statement and , in two sentences , write down your point of view. (2 points)

**B. Literature spot: (9 points)**

Read the following lines, from *A Green Cornfield* carefully, then answer the question that follows.

(1)

*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 **tender** suggest?
2. What does a bird do in a nest?
3. Find an example of rhyming?
4. Find a reference to another listener?
5. Which part of a plant is the stalk?

(2)

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. What does **accord** suggest?
2. Find an example of alliteration in the above stanza?

(3)

Read the following extract from *Around The World In Eighty Days* carefully, then answer the question that follows:-

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.

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

**Question Number Two**

**A. Choose the suitable item from those given in the box to complete each of the following sentences , then write it down in your answer booklet. (24 points)**

**have a head for figures , spill , negotiate , dehydration , colloquial**

1. I don't think I'd be a very good accountant. I don't really.....
2. It's important to drink a lot of water in order to avoid .....
3. Please be careful with your juice. Don't ..... it on the floor.
4. When you talk about business and try to do a deal, you.....

**Translation , optional , draw up a timetable , colloquial , postgraduate**

1. You don't have to stay after school for the chess club – it's.....
2. After Nasser completes his first degree, he's hoping to do a .....degree.
3. I need to organise my time better. I think I'll.....
4. I have just read a ..... of a book by a Japanese author.

**developed nation , came about , rewarding , switch between , colloquial**

1. A .....is a country that's economically and socially advanced.
2. Last night, I watched an interesting documentary about how the ice age .....
3. Multilingual people are able to .....two systems of speech, writing, and structure quite easily.
4. Doing volunteer work can be a very ..... experience.

**B. Study the following sentences and answer the question that follows down in your answer booklet. ( 15 points)**

1. **Play it by ear** ! I'm sure everything will be fine in the end.  
**Replace the underlined phrase with the correct body idioms.**
2. **Replace the underlined misused collocation in the following sentence with the correct one.**  
You look tired. Why don't you **make a difference**?
3. That's amazing news! How did you **discover** it?  
**Replace the underlined verb with the suitable phrasal verb.**
4. Study the following sentences and answer the question that follows.  
If you need to report a crime, speak to a **police woman**.  
**Replace the underlined verb with the suitable gender-neutral words.**
5. **Replace the underlined misused collocation in the following sentence with the correct one.**  
If you are polite, you won't **make a mistake** or upset anybody.

**C. Complete the following sentences with the suitable words derived from the words in brackets and write the answers down in your answer booklet. ( 12 points)**

1. The graduation ceremony was a very ..... occasion for everyone.  
(memory , memorising , memorable)
2. The company is pleased with your work and is happy to give you a.....  
(recommend , recommendation , recommended )
3. If you work hard, I'm sure you will .....
4. You could work in a ..... organization that provides help for the poor.  
( volunteer , voluntary , voluntarily)
5. It is said that wheat is ..... grown in Saudi Arabia.  
( successfully , successful , succeeded)
6. ...., Amman is the most active city in Jordan.  
( economy , economic , economically )

**Question Number Three**

**A. Correct the verbs between brackets. Then write it down in your answer booklet. (8 points)**

1. They sold their house, -----? (do)
2. The department of culture and the arts, which ..... In 1966 CE. (found)
3. You will fail the exam if you ..... hard. ( not / study )
4. When you heat water, it ..... ( boil)

**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. (45 points)**

1. Jordanian children can leave school one year earlier than English children.  
English children .....
2. It`s a mystery how the mistake **happened**.  
It`s a mystery how the mistake .....
3. Does the exam start at ten or half past ten?  
Do you know .....
4. Please help me to plan my revision.  
Do you mind .....
5. What can I do on the day before the exam?  
Could you explain .....
6. It is said that fish is good for the brain.  
They .....
7. People believe that solving puzzles keeps the brain active.  
It .....
8. They claim that we remember things we hear in our sleep.  
We .....



9. People saw smoke coming out of the forest.  
Smoke .....
10. I regret going to bed late last night  
I wish .....
11. It was too hot to go to the beach yesterday.  
If only .....
12. If I don't have enough money , I won't travel abroad .  
Unless .....
13. You shouldn't worry so much.  
If I.....
14. Saeed left his camera at home, so he wasn't able to take pictures of the parade.(could)  
.....
15. You ought to get some work experience.  
Why .....

#### Question Number Four

A) Choose the correct item from those given below, and then write them down in your answer booklet. (26 points)

1. Could you explain ..... I can solve this Math problem?  
( how much , whether , where , how )
2. He ..... go, doesn't he?  
( has to , had to , have to , has )
3. It doesn't rain here,.....?  
( does it , do it , doesn't it , is it )
4. Our final science project has ..... as the best project.  
( be chosen , been chosen , is chosen , was chosen )
5. Multilingual people are able to switch ..... two systems of speech, writing, and structure quite easily.  
( between , on , at , with )
6. I regret living abroad for a long time. I wish I ..... abroad.  
( hadn't lived , had lived , had live , living )
7. I don't know the answer. I wish I ..... the answer.  
( know , knew , had known , had know )
8. We have to go to school, .....we're tired.  
( if , when , even if , as long as )
9. I haven't got as much homework ..... my brother.  
( as , so , than , like )
10. Black cars are ..... than white cars.  
( beautiful , most beautiful , more beautiful )
11. My sister is really good ..... drawing and painting.  
( as , at , into , in )
12. Don't let the baby play with the balloon; It might ..... and frighten.  
( recall , spill , pop )

13. She worked hard; as a result, she did very well in her exams. What is the function of using result?

( showing reason , showing result , Showing cause )

**B) What is the function of the underlined word in the following sentence? (2 points)**

We couldn't go to the stadium because there weren't any tickets left.

### Question Number Five

#### A. EDITING

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 answers down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (4 points)

Speaking a forein language, it is claim, 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.

#### B. GUIDED WRITING (8 points)

1) Read the information in the table below, and then write two sentences about Why do people use the internet websites? Use the appropriate linking words such as: and, too, also... etc.

Why do people use the internet websites ?
buying things
booking holidays
paying bills
accessing their bank accounts to transfer money

2) Read the information in the table below , and then in your ANSWER BOOKLET, write two sentences about advantages of recycling.

- reduce air pollution
- save energy
- provide new jobs
- reduce the consumption of fresh raw materials

#### C. FREE WRITING (7 points)

In your ANSWER BOOKLET, Write an essay about the importance of learning foreign language.

## Answers

### Text 1 :

1. First degree and master's degree.
2. The University of Jordan in Amman, Yarmouk University in Irbid and Al Balqa Applied University in Salt.
3. Students can attend one of ten public universities, or one of nineteen private universities.
4. enroll
5. Students
6. Open answer
7. Open answer

### Text 2 :

1. adding up to ten extra days to the school year or by making each school day longer by half an hour.
2. Japan, Indonesia and South Korea
3. Their high academic achievements do suggest that the longer you study, the better you do in final exams.
4. Optional
5. students in Finland.
6. Open answer
7. Open answer

### Text 3 :

1. I have always been fond of languages 2. At school I was very good at English.
2. you will need to show that you have good listening skills and a clear speaking voice.
3. I am aware that if I translate things badly, it could affect an important law or trade agreement between countries.
4. rewarding
5. students
6. Open answer
7. Open answer

### Text 4 :

1. 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.
2. writing, and structure
3. Finally, learning a language can also improve your ability to use your mother tongue more effectively
4. mother tongue
5. students
6. Open answer
7. Open answer

**B) Literature spot:**

1. 1. Fresh and young  
2. It lays eggs  
3. ( Green / unseen ) , ( walks / stalks)  
4. *he had a nest unseen*  
5. It's the long that supports the leaves
2. 1.agreement  
2. singing skylark soared
3. 1. He wanted it for fighting.  
2.It still preserved its natural gentleness'

**Question Number Two**

- A)
1. have a head for figures 2. dehydration 3. spill 4. negotiate
  1. optional 2. postgraduate 3. draw up a timetable 4. translation
  1. developed nation 2. came about 3. switch between 4. rewarding
- B) 1. keep your chin up 2. take a break 3. find it out 4. police officer 5. cause offence
- C) 1. memorable 2. recommendation 3. succeeded 4. voluntary 5. successfully  
6. economically

**Question Number Three**

- A) 1. didn't they 2. was founded 3. don't study 4. boils
- B)
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  2. It's a mystery how the mistake came about.
  3. Do you know whether the exam starts at ten or half past ten.
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  14. If Saeed hadn't left his camera at home, he could have taken pictures of the parade.
  15. Why don't you get some work experience?

**Question Number Four**

A)

1. how 2. has to 3. does it 4. been chosen 5. between 6. hadn't lived  
7. knew 8. even if 9. as 10. more beautiful 11. at 12. pop 13. showing result

B) showing reason

**Question Number Five (4 points)****A. EDITING**

1. foreign 2. claimed 3. ways 4. beneficial

**B. GUIDED WRITING**

Open answer

**C. FREE WRITING**

Open answer