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DATE: 3<sup>re</sup> of January, 2016

TIME: 1 HOUR AND A HALF

ملحوظات: 1- اجب عن أسئلة هذه الورقة جميعها 2- للمتقدمين في الفروع المهنية 3- عدد الأسئلة (5) وعدد الصفحات (4)

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

In Petra, Jordan, there lie the remains of a majestic city carved out of the desert rock. This city was the main area inhabited by the Nabateans, who from Arabia during the 6<sup>th</sup> century BCE. Originally, they were a nomadic people who chose to settle in various places, such as southern Jordan, the Naqab Desert and northern Arabia.

There is little known about the lifestyle of the Nabateans, except that they were important traders in the ancient world. They might have traded goods such as spices, gold and animals with civilisations such as China, India and Rome because of their convenient position at a commercial crossroads in the world.

Many Roman writers wrote about, what the Nabateans culture must have been like, but no one knows for sure. However, **they** agree that the language of the Nabateans could have been a mixture of Arabic and Aramaic.

These Roman writers also say that the Nabateans were ruled by a royal family, and that, unlike many cultures in the ancient world, the Nabatean society might not have used any slaves. In addition to that the Nabateans must have been expert engineers because they managed to build complicated water conservation systems in the desert terrain.

Despite archaeologists' best efforts, there is a limit to what they can tell us about these fascinating people who lived in Jordan such a long time ago.

Although it is still difficult to know much, they can't have been illiterate because there are some inscriptions that remain. However, sadly for us, most of the things the Nabateans made and owned have been too easily destroyed by time or lost in the desert.

**Question number one (23 points)**

- A: 1- Nabateans chose to settle in various places. Write down two of these places. (4 points)
- 2- Why Nabateans were important traders in the ancient world? (2 points)
- 3- How was the Nabatean culture different from other ancient cultures? (3 points)
- 4- what does the underlined "**they**" word refer to? (3 points)
- 5- find a word in the text which means "**related to business and the buying or selling of goods and services**" (3 points)
- 6- The Nabateans were nomads before they chose to settle in Petra. What reasons can you think of that might have influenced them to settle? (2 points)

7- Do you think that Nabateans were speaking more than one language. Think of this statement and in two sentences write down your opinion? **(4 points)**

**B. Extra reading : (2 points)**

**Read the following quotation from Hard times carefully, then answer the questions that follow:**

Meanwhile, Mr Bounderby is determined to find Stephen Blackpool. Rachael writes to Stephen asking him to return to Coketown so he can clear his name, but her fiancé does not return. Sissy spends time with Rachael each day to comfort her.

**Why does Rachael write to Stephen?**

**Question number two: (16 points)**

**A. 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- The organisation works for the ..... of the communities, lands and wildlife of Africa. (**conserve**)
- 2-....., the Jordanian government have released the following notice to commence raising awareness of this matter. (**Consequence**)
- 3- It is .....to continue living at the current level of sanitation. (**necessitation**)

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

paintings	fascinating	short	reliant on
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- 1- Humans and animals are ..... water to survive.
- 2- A Thousand and One Nights –a group of ..... Story told by a helpless woman to keep herself alive
- 3- This is my favourite of all Charles Dickens' novels. It is a ..... stories that includes comedy and tragedy, reality and fantasy.
- 4- People first started written communication through .....and drawings on cave walls.

**C. Study the following sentence an answer the question below. Write the answer down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (2 points)**

To make tabouleh, chop the vegetables into small pieces and grill them with olive oil and lemon.

**Replace the incorrect underlined word related to natural disasters with the correct one.**

**Question number three (14 points)****A . Correct the verbs between brackets then write your answers down in your****ANSWER BOOKLETE****(8 points)**

- 1 By 1868 CE, blind people all over the world ..... Braille every day. (use)
- 2 Mohamad Balw was working as a flight when his vision ..... to get worse. (start)
- 3 The center's services were set up in 2002 CE after Mohammad.....funding from different organisations. (received)
- 4- When Charles spoke later of his childhood, he said that he remembered .....to children playing outside. (listen)

**B. Complete the following items using reported speech. Write the answers down in your ANSWER BOOKLETE.****(6 points)**

- 1- " Do you enjoy spending time with each other?"

I asked them .....

- 2 "Solar power and wind power are types of renewable energy sources."

The student said that .....

- 3- How long have you been married?"

I asked my grandparents.....

**Question number four (10 points)****A. Rewrite the following sentences in the causative using the given verbs between****brackets, and write the correct sentences down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. ( 4 points)**

- 1- ask the teacher to check my paper.

I want .....

- 2- They will that broken window fixed.

They .....

**B. Write sentences which explain the possibilities of the following situations using the given modal verbs between brackets. Write the answers down in your ANSWER****BOOKLET.****(6 points)**

- 1- I was surprised Rahaf wasn't at the meeting. Perhaps she didn't know about it.

**(mightn't have)**

.....

- 2- Mohammad spent five months at home studying on Tawjihi . I am sure that she passed the exams.
- (must have)**

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Question number five (7 points)

A ) GUID WRITING (4 points)

Read the information in the table below, and then in your ANSWER BOOKLET, write two sentences about the advantages and disadvantages of win energy. use the appropriate linking words such as: and, too and although.....

Advantages of solar energy
- depend on it for heat and light. - use it to power things. - do electricity from the sun heat. - make electricity isn't expensive.

B. FREE WRITING (5 POINTS)

In your ANSWER BOOKLET, write about 80 words in one of the following:

1- There are many kinds of renewable energy sources such as the sun, wind and biomass energy. write an essay about the advantages and disadvantages of renewable energy sources. Discussing the important of them in our life.

2- You advertisement in the Jordan time about the job for nuclear physicist . write a letter applying for the job, mentioning the reasons of writing, the reasons for interest, your qualifications and your practical skills.

( your name is Nihad. Your address is P.O. Box 1667, Amman, Jordan)

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## Answers

**A ) 1-** chose to settle in various places, such as southern Jordan, the Naqab Desert and northern Arabia.

**2-** because of their convenient position at a commercial crossroads in the world.

**3-** - because they don't have slaves

**4-** Roman writers

**5-** trade

**6-** I think the Nabateans might have been influenced by their discovery of a better place to live. It might have had a better climate.

**7 -** yes, I think that because they were important traders in the ancient world. They might have traded goods such as spices, gold and animals with civilisations such as China, India and Rome because of their convenient position at a commercial crossroads in the world. This led them to speak more than one language.

**B )** asking him to return to Coketown so he can clear his name

### Question number two

**A ) 1-** conservation                      2- Consequently                      3- necessary

**B ) 1-**reliant on                      2 short                      3- fascinating                      4- paintings

**C)** mix

### Question number three

**A ) 1-** were using                      2- started                      3- had received                      4- listening

**B ) 1-** want to play                      2- suggested having

### Question number four

**A) 1-** if they enjoyed

**2-** Solar power and wind power **were** types of renewable energy sources.

**3-** how long they had been ....

**B-** 1-to have my paper checked

**2-** will have that broken window fixed.

**B ) 1-** Rahaf mightn't have known.....

**2-** Mohammad must have passed.....