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DATE: - Sunday 21st of January 2018
(2) للمتقدمين لجميع الفروع الأكاديمية.

TIME: 1 HOUR AND A HALF
ملحوظات :- (1) اجب عن جميع أسئلة هذه الورقة.
(3) عدد الاسئلة: (5)، وعدد الصفحات: (4).

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

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. It is said that students who study foreign languages do better, on the whole, in general tests in maths, 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 doing 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. Finally, learning a foreign 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 foreign language, therefore, can make you a better speaker and writer in your own language.

Question Number One:- (20 points)

- A. 1- Experiments were made in Pennsylvania State University, USA . Write down the main benefits concerning multilingual drivers. (4 points)
- 2- Learning a new language could affect the brain in many ways. Write down two of them? (2 points)
- 3- Quote the sentence which indicates that multilingual students are better in other subjects. (2 points)
- 4- What do the underlined phrase (mother tongue) mean ? (2 points)
- 5- What does the underlined word "they" refer to? (2 points)
6. Some students travel abroad to learn a foreign language. Suggest three ways to help students, who can't travel abroad, learn a foreign language while being in their home countries. (3 points)

7- Learning a foreign language is beneficial for getting good jobs. Think of this statement and in two sentences write down your own point of view. (2 points)

B. Literature Spot: (3 points)

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

The earth was green, the sky was blue
I saw and heard one sunny morn
A skylark hang between the two,
A singing speck above the corn;

1- What does the underlined word "two" refer to? (2 points)

2- What is the size of the bird? (1 point)

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)

degree, achievements , exports , do , carry out ,

- 1- Yearly, Jordan..... many good to other countries in the Middle East and in Europe.
- 2- Applicants must have a universityto get the job of an interpreter.
- 3- Our school will.....an investigation about the results of the students.
- 4- The teacher was rewarded for his great.....in the field of global warming.

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

1 – I can't apply for this job, applicants should be good at maths

- have a head for figures,
- play it by air

Write down the body idiom which gives the underlined meaning of the above sentence.

C. Choose the suitable item derived from those between brackets complete each of the following sentences and write it down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (4 points)

- 1- It's important to have an..... of different countries' customs before travelling to those countries (**aware**)
- 2- Students should always be ready to listen to goodto choose the best field of study at university (advise, advice, advised) شكل الامتحان الموضوعي

Question Number Three (13 points)

A. Correct the verbs in brackets then write your answers down in your BOOKLET. (4 points)

- 1- If only my friends.....to bed early yesterday. (not go)
- 2- When my brother..... from the airport, we will be waiting for him . (arrive)
3. That was the best answer for this question,.....?
(was it, wasn't it, wasn't that) شكل السؤال الموضوعي
- 4- Do you mindme if we are allowed to bring children to the party? (tell)

B. Complete the following sentences so that the new sentence is similar in meaning to the one before it, then write it down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (9 points)

1. There's no river as long as the Nile in the world.
The Nile.....
2. We all believe that careless drivers are extremely dangerous on the society.
Careless drivers
3. The engineers have finished building the new bridges in the city.
Building the new bridges

Question Number Four (7 points)

A. Read the following situations and rewrite the following sentences using the word in brackets. (4 points)

- 1- Omar drove fast in the festival. He made a terrible accident. (**might not**)
.....
- 2- Nahla could not find her way round the city very easily. She didn't have a map.
..... (**if only**)

C- Study the following sentence and answer the question that follows:-

She worked hard; because of that, she did very well in her exams

What is the function of using **because of that** 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 (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.

The World Memory Championchip is an annual three-day event that has been held in different locations all over the world since 1991 CE. There are ten contests, each one testing different uses of short-term memory? It is knew that the contests include listening to numbers spoken out loud and then recalling them, memorising a sekuence of abstract images in fifteen minutes and memorising lists of words.

B. GUIDED WRITING: (4 points)

Read the following information bellow, and write two meaningful sentences about how to become successful in your job.

- be accurate with your dates.
- follow the roles of the job.
- present new ideas to add improvements to the job.
- -show flexibility with other employees.

C. Free writing: (7 points)

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

1- Schools in Jordan offer curricular and extra-curricular activities among the school subjects. Write an essay discussing the effects of these activities on the students' educational level and on their physical fitness.

2- An established pharmaceutical company is looking for a researcher. The successful applicant will satisfy the following requirements:

- A good Science degree
 - Knowledge of the pharmaceutical industry
 - Previous experience of working in this industry
 - Excellent research skills
- (your name is Nihad)

- THE END -

Question Number One**A:**

1- The experiment showed that multilingual participants were less distracted by the other tasks and therefore made fewer driving errors.

2- Learning new vocabulary and grammar rules provides the brain with beneficial 'exercise', which improves memory.

3- It is said that students who study foreign languages do better, on the whole, in general tests in maths, reading and vocabulary than students who have only mastered their mother tongue.

4- the first and main language that you learnt when you were a child.

5- multilingual people.

6- لاحظ ان السؤال يطلب منك اقتراح ثلاث طرق لمساعدة الطلبة الذين لا يستطيعون السفر لتعلم لغة اجنبية بينما يكونوا في وطنهم.

- they can listen to English programmes.

- they can watch English educational videos.

- They can read English magazines and newspapers.

7- لاحظ ان التفكير الناقد ذو علامتان يمكن معرفة مطلبه من خلال كلمة مميزة مثل (beneficial مفيد) لتعلم لغة اجنبية. أي ان السؤال يقول ان لتعلم لغة اجنبية فائدة في الحصول على وظائف جيدة.

- most jobs need additional language معظم الوظائف تتطلب لغة اضافية

- most companies prefer the person who speaks English معظم الشركات تفضل ناطقي الانجليزية

- you can get well-paid jobs like translator, tourism and travel.

بامكانك الحصول على وظائف مدفوعة الاجر مثل مترجم، السياحة والسفر.

B- 1- The earth and the sky. بين السماء والأرض

2- speck

- ارجو منك اخي الطالب ان تراجع الملخص فيما يتعلق بأسئلة القصيدة لاني رتبته لك بطريقة سؤال الوزارة.

Question Number Two

A : 1- exports صادرات 2- degree 3- carry out يجري تحقيقات 4- achievements انجازات

B: Have a head for figures

اخي الطالب لاحظ ان السؤال اعطاك معنى المصطلح وطلب منك المصطلح نفسه مع العلم انك مطالب اصلا بالعكس. اصف الى ذلك ان عليك مراجعة الاربعة جداول الموجودة في الملخص.

C: 1- awareness بعد الصفة اسم 2- advice بعد اداة نكرة اسم

Question Number Three

A: 1- hadn't gone لان الجملي تحوي دلالة ماضي فحولنا الى ماضي تام

2- arrives لان الشق في جواب الشرط يدل على المضارع في جملة الشرط والفاعل مفرد

3- wasn't it 4- telling

B: 1- The Nile is the longest river in the world.

1- عرفنا ان الجملة في المقارنة لان الجملة معناها لا يوجد نهر بطول النيل في العالم. فلماذا في صفة تفضيل بحيث يصبح الجواب بان نهر النيل هو الاطول في العالم ولا تنسى ان الصفة قصيرة فاستخدمنا the ad est ، لكن لو كانت الصفة طويلة مثل (beautiful) فنستخدم صيغة (the most adj) دون زيادة على الصفة.

ارجو ان تراجع جميع جمل المقارنة والتفضيل في الملخص.

2- Careless drivers are thought to be extremely dangerous on the society.

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3- Building the new bridges has been finished.

صيغة المبني للمجهول لوجود المفعول به بعد have finished بصيغة المضارع التام.

Question Number Four

A: 1- If Omar hadn't driven fast in the festival, he might not have made a terrible accident.

عرفنا ترتيب الجملة من خلال ان عمر ساق بسرعة، وقع بحادث.
فذلك ترتيب (if) في اول الجملة ونحولها الى ماضي تام منفي بمعنى لو ان عمر لم يسق بسرعة، وكلمة (might not) في الشق الثاني ثم (have) ثم الفعل في التصريف الثالث بمعنى (لما كان قد ارتكب حادثا).

2- if only She had had a map.

C- showing result or consequences

Question Number Five

A: 1- Championship 2- memory. It 3- It is known 4- sequence

B- Guided Writing

- There are many ways to become successful in your job such as being accurate with your dates and following the roles of the job.

- In addition, there are other ways to become successful in your job like presenting new ideas to add improvements to the job and showing flexibility with other employees.

C- Free Writing

1- المدارس في الأردن توفر الأنشطة الصفية واللاصفية بين المواد الدراسية. اكتب مقالة تناقش آثار هذه الأنشطة على المستوى التعليمي للطلاب وعلى لياقتهم البدنية.

2- شركة دوائية عريقة تتطلع لباحث. مقدم الطلب الناجح عليه ان يلبي المتطلبات التالية:
• شهادة في العلوم • معرفة بالصناعات الدوائية -خبرة سابقة في العمل في هذه الصناعة • مهارات البحث الممتازة.
(اسمك نهاد)

Dear Sir/Madam,

I would like to apply for the position of researcher at your pharmaceutical company. As can be seen from the enclosed curriculum vitae that I have a degree in Chemistry. Furthermore, I have worked as a shop assistant at a chemist's, so I know a lot about this industry. I also have a qualification in Journalism and have worked previously for a scientific journal. I have excellent research skills.

I am a competent and adaptable worker and I believe that I can be successful in any position.

I like reading and camping. I also like travelling.

In my spare time, I help elderly people, and I can see the difference that medicines can make to their lives.

I am very keen to join a company that can really help people.

I look forward to hearing from you concerning the next stage of my application.

Yours faithfully,

Tareq Hakim