

## THE HASEMITE KINGDOME OF JORDAN-MINISTRY OF EDUCATION GENERAL SECONDARY CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION 2016

#### **GENERAL ENGLISH**

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DATE: Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> of July, 2017

TIME: 1 HOUR AND A HALF

للحوظات: 1- اجب عن أسئلة هذه الورقة جميعها 2- للمتقدمين في الفروع الأكاديمية 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.

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, this option will become available in many other universities.

#### Question number one (20 points)

A. 1- According to the text, there are many academic degrees, write down two of them.

(4 points)

- 2- For higher education students enter university for two purposes. Write down these two purposes. (3 points)
- 3-Quote the sentence which indicates that Jordanian employees can study in universities remotely by using electronic communication. (3 points)
- 4- Find a word from the text which means " someone who has finished their first degree and is continuing to study either a Master's or PHD." (2 points)
  5- what does the underlined word " it " refers to (2 points)

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6- The writer states that there are many public and private universities in Jordan. What does that number of universities tell you about Jordan and its educational system? (3 points)

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7- "Anyone who stops learning is old, whether at twenty or eighty. Anyone who keeps learning stays young." (Henry Ford ) explain this quotation and in two sentences, write down your point of view.
 (3 points)

B. Literature spot: (3 points)

Read the following extract from a green cornfield, then answer the question that follows.

A singing speck above the corn;

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 points)

2- The writer used the **white** colour in the poem. What do you think it symbolise? (1 point)

#### <u>Question number two</u> (15 points)

A) Choose the suitabl item from those given in the box to complete each of the following sentences, there are more words than you need. write it down in your ANSWER BOOKLETE.
 (8 points)

	adaptable	looking forwar	d to d	ominated	pioneers	blame
1- Yuri Gagarin was one of the of space exploration.						

2- The Italian team \_\_\_\_\_\_ throughout the second half of the game.

3- The children are really \_\_\_\_\_\_ their holiday that they will have with their parents.

4- You need to be \_\_\_\_\_\_ if you want to live in a foreign country.

B. Study the following sentence and answer the questions that follows. Write the answer down in your ANSWER BOOKLETE. (3 points )

During the flight, stewards and stewardesses will serve you drinks.

Replace the underlined word with the correct gender-neutral words.

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Question number three (13 points)						
A. Corrects the verbs between brackets then write your answer down in your ANSWER BOOKLETE. (4 points)						
<ol> <li>Many important thingsin the 20th century. (invent)</li> <li>Even if Omar passes his driving test this afternoon, hehis own car. (not, have)</li> </ol>						
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 BOOKLETE. (9 points)						
1- Newspaper and magazines contain too many adverts. I wish						
2- Are your friends inviting us for their graduation party. Do you mind telling me						
3- They say that Mohammad studied many years on his own. Mohammad is said						
Question number four (7 points)						
A. Read the following situation and rewrite the sentences using the words in brackets. Write the answers down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (4 points)						
1- I had a headache yesterday, and I didn't do well in the Maths test. (if / might)						
2- If he doesn't sell the old car, he will stay at home. (unless)						
B. Complete each of the following sentences by adding the correct question tag to the end of each item. Write the answers down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (3 POINTS)						
1- he has to do his homework ,? 2 they bought a new car,? 3- I'll tell you what I understand by the term,?						
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**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 <u>(one grammatical mistakes, one punctuation mistake and two spelling mistakes</u>). find out these four mistakes and correct them. write the correct answer in your ANSWER BOOKELETE. (4 points )

Unless you haven't a language degree, you will not be able to become an interprater. 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.

#### B. GUIDE WRITING (4 POINTS)

Read the information in the table bellow, and then in your ANSWER BOOKLETE, write two sentences about some of the most popular university subjects offered by British universities . Use the appropriate linking words such as and, too, also ....ets.

Subject	Number of applications in 2014	Change since 2013 CE	
	CE		
Business studies	280,240	+3.2%	
Visual	244,620	+ 2.4 %	
Biology	231,720	+ 8 %	
Engineering	141,100	+ 11 %	
Law	108,130	-1 %	
Physics	104,410	+ 5 %	
Medicine and Dentistry	98,910	+ 3 %	
Computer Science	97,110	+ 13 %	

## C. FREE WRITING (7 POINTS)

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

1- Write a persuasive letter to convince students at your school to study a subject of your choice at university.

2- a lot of people prefer to study abroad, write an article about the advantages and disadvantages of studying abroad.

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#### **Question one**

# <u>A)</u>

1- Master degree , PHD degree , Higher diploma, First degree.

2- Academic or vocational courses.

3- 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.

4- postgraduate

5- the German-Jordanian University

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7- Learning isn't only for young but it is for all ages .So we must keep our mind young and try to learn every thing in our life and we mustn't let the age to stop us .

**B**) 1- singing speck (line 1), still the singing skylark soared (line 4), And silent sank and soared to sing (line 5)

Alliteration adds to the rhythm of the poem and also links dissimilar words together (here we have soared and sank; silent and singing).

2- White symbolises the beauty of the butterfly

#### Question number two

A) 1- pioneers 2- dominated 3- looking forward to 4- adaptable

B) flight attendants

C) 1-dependence 2- critical

## Question number three

A) 1-were invented 2- won't have

**B)** 1- newspapers and magazines didn't contain so many adverts.

2- Do you mind telling me if your friends are inviting us .....

3- to have studied many years on his won

## **Question number four**

A) 1- I might have done well in the Maths test if I hadn't had a headache yesterday.
 2- Unless he sells the old car, he will stay at home.

B) 1-doesn't he 2- didn't they 3- shall I

## Question number five:

## A. EDITING

haven't (have) interprater (interpreter) qualification (qualification)

quickly, If (quikly. If)

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