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

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.

Question Number One:

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- 1- Fatima mentions many skills that the interviewee should have during an interview. Write down two of these skills
- 2- Fatima mentions certain steps that she follows during the process of interpretation. Write down two of these steps.
- 3- Quote the sentence which shows that English differs from one country to another.
- 4- What does the underlined word 'they' refer to?

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- 5- Find a word in the text which means “**giving personal satisfaction.**”
- 6- Fatima says that her job is not an easy one due to a number of reasons. Suggest three ways that can help interpreters do their job successfully.
- 7- I’ve learnt that making a living is not the same thing as making a life.” Think of this quotation and in two sentences write down your point of view.

B. LITERATURE SPOT

1- Read the following lines from A Green Cornfield carefully and then in your ANSWER

BOOKLET answer the questions that follow

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- Find a in the above lines which means fresh and young.
- 2- Why does the poet think that the nest of the bird is unseen?
- 3- Write down the line which includes personification.

2. Read the following extraction from “Around the world in eighty days” carefully, then in your ANSWER BOOKLET answer the questions that follow.

Happily, however, for Mr. Fogg, the animal’s instruction in this direction had not gone far, and the elephant still preserved its natural gentleness. Kiouni – this was the name of the elephant – could doubtless travel rapidly for a long time, and, in default of any other means of conveyance, Mr. Fogg resolved to hire him.

- 1- How do we know that the elephant is not aggressive?
- 2- What is the name of the elephant?

Question Number Two:

A- Choose the suitable item form of those given in the box to complete each of the following sentences and write it down in your ANSWER BOOKLET.

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- 1- Another way of saying that something could be successful is to say it is
- 2- It’s to take regular breaks when revising.
- 3- When you talk about business and try to do a deal, you
- 4- Please hurry up. Let's not ----- missing the bus.

B- Study the following sentences and answer the question that follows each one

1. I need to organise my time better. I think I’ll take a break.
Replace the underlined misused collocation with the correct one.
2. If you’ve got a problem, talk to someone about it. It helps to get cold feet.
Replace the underlined misused body idiom with the correct one.

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C. Choose the suitable item from those given to complete each of the following sentences, and write the answers in your ANSWER BOOKLET.

- 1- The company is pleased with your work and is happy to give you a
(recommend , recommendation , recommended)
- 2- If you work hard, I'm sure you will
(successfully , succeed , successful)
- 3- You should be well-to get the new job.
(qualify , qualified , qualification)
- 4- It isimportant to study English hard.
(particular , particularly , particularity)
- 5- It is a.....issue .You should try to solve it.
(critic , critical , criticism)

Question Number Three

A. Choose the correct form of the verbs from those given below to complete each of the following sentences and write it down in your ANSWER BOOKLET.

- 1- The old sports centre by specialist engineers last month.
(was renovated , is renovated , are renovated)
- 2- Even if Omarhis driving test tomorrow, he won't have his own car.
(pass , passes , passed)
- 3- I the house. That's why I have some paints on my clothes.
(has been painting , have been painting , is painting)
- 4- I an email when my laptop switched itself off.
(was writing , were writing , wrote)
- 5- Tareq won't be here this time tomorrow. Heone of his classmates.
(will watch , will be watching , watches)

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.

- 1- Online distance learning isn't as interesting as face to face learning.
Face to face learning
- 2- People believe that critical thinking keeps the brain active.
Critical thinking
- 3- What should I do on the day before the exam?
Do you know
- 4- My father has influenced me most.
The person
- 5- It isn't normal for old people to wake up late.
Old people

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Question Number Four

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

1. London, is the capital of the UK, is a huge city.
(where , that , who , which)
2. There are ten years of free compulsory education in Jordan. The underlined word has:
(4 syllables , 3 syllables , 5 syllables , 2 syllables)
3. Mr Haddad didn't understand the Chinese business man. He wishes heChinese
(had spoken , have spoken, has spoken , speaks)
4. I will take the job offer it's part time –I haven't finished my university studies yet.
(as long, if , unless , provided)
5. My parents are nowemails to their friends.
(use to send , used to send , used to sending , use to sending)
6. Can you translate this Arabic.....English for me, please?
(into , at , on , about)

Question Number Five

A. EDITING:

Imagine you are an editor in the Jordan Times. You are asked to edit the following lines that have two spelling mistakes, one grammatical mistake and one punctuation mistake. Find out these four mistakes and correct them. Write the answers down in your ANSWER BOOKLET.

Much employers are looking for people with a proven trach record in a particular area of work. However, you need to have a job in order to get experience. Doing an inturnship is a good way to get around this problem.

B. GUIDED WRITING:

Read the information in the table below, and then in your ANSWER BOOKLET write two sentences about how to revise for exams. Use the appropriate linking words such as: and , also, tooetc.

How to revise for exams
- draw up a revision timetable. - take breaks. - do physical activities. - eat fresh fruit and vegetables.

C. FREE WRITING:

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

- 1- Learning a foreign language is necessity now a days . Write an article about learning another language, discussing its benefits and challenges.
- 2- Write a covering letter to apply for a job as a translator for a large Multilingual Centre.
(Your name is **Wesam** . Your address is **P.O . Box 1646 , Amman , Jordan**)

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