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Question One. /40	Question Two. /20	Question Three. /30	Question Four. /10	Total Mark:	100

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.

In England, almost 50% of school leavers go on to higher education. The figure has not always been as high as this. Twenty years ago, it was closer to 30%, and thirty years before that, it was only about 5%. Another huge change has been financial. Before 1998 CE, higher education in the UK was completely free for UK citizens. Since then, tuition fees have been introduced. Most students borrow this money from the government. They don't have to repay it immediately. Instead, they pay it back slowly out of future earnings.

Despite the high cost, most students choose to study away from home. A recent survey of 17,000 students revealed that only 7% wanted to stay at home while they studied for their degree. Of course for most young people, living away from home means borrowing even more money from the government. So why don't students choose to avoid debt by staying at home, where they don't have to pay rent? Most of them say that they want to move to the university of their choice, rather than the nearest one. Another strong motive is the desire to live in a new culture. Where do these students live? Many have rooms in halls of residence, especially in their first year; others rent flats or houses. A lucky minority live in property that their parents have bought for them. Most of them need to learn to cook, do their own washing and manage their time and money.

Question One: (40 points)

1. The writer states that there are two major changes that took place to higher education in the UK. Write them down. (8 points)

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2. Quote the sentence which indicates that it's more expensive to go to university than it used to be. (6 points)

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3. What does the underlined word "it" refer to? (5 points)

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4. Where do students who study abroad live? (6 points)

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5. Find a word in the text that means "a qualification that is given to you when you have successfully completed a course of study". (5 points)

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6. Studying abroad is a good opportunity; most students who travel to foreign countries get impacted in a good way. Think of this statement and, in two sentences, write down your point of view. (4 points)

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7. There are a number of advantages and disadvantages with regard to studying at home, when compared to somewhere like a library or study lab. Suggest three advantages of studying at home. (6 points)

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Question Two: (20 points)

A. Choose the suitable item from those given in the box to complete each of the following sentences. There are more words than you need. (8 points)

(8 points)

do,	got cold feet,	optional,	nutrition,	tutorial,	make
1. To keep fit and healthy, you need to get good and moderate exercise.					
2. The fact that I now follow a clear plan will a big difference.					
3. The new actor when he stepped on the stage; he forgot his lines.					
4. In many schools, studying a foreign language is, but it is often a good idea to continue learning a second language.					

B. Study the following sentence and answer the question that follows. (3 points)

(3 points)

I don't think I'd be a very good accountant. I don't really have a head for figures.

Replace the underlined body idiom with the correct meaning.

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C. Choose the suitable item from those given to complete each of the following sentences and write it down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (9 points)

1. The ----- 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.

(**contradictory** / **contradict** / **contradiction** / **contractively**)

2. Mariam is an excellent student. She gets top marks in ----- subjects like History, Arabic and Maths.

(**academic** / **academy** / **academically** / **academies**)

3. The physical activity will increase your heart rate and, in turn, that will increase your blood -----.

(**circulated** / **circulate** / **circulates** / **circulation**)

Question Three: (30 points)

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. Mahmoud doesn't work as hard as his brother.

Mahmoud's brother.....

2. Farida does not study as diligently as she did in the past.

Farida

3. Nothing is more important than making notes in lectures.

Making notes in lectures

4. A stone is heavier than a feather.

A feather

5. We know that customs officials confiscated ten foreign passports last week.

Ten foreign passports

6. People claim that education can change our behaviour.

Education.....

7. People say that the brain is like a computer.

It **the brain is like a computer.**

8. Is exercise better in the morning or in the evening?

Do you know.....?

9. Can you carry this bag for me?

Do you mind.....?

10. How did you solve this puzzle?

Could you possibly explain.....?

Question Four: (10 points)

A. EDITING

Imagine you are an editor in the Jordan Times. You are asked to edit the following lines that have five underlined mistakes. Correct these mistakes and write the answers down in your ANSWER BOOKLET. (5 points)

Studio schools are bioneering schools which receive funding as well as support from private businesses, and which seek to encourage young people to undertake a less convensional form of secondary education. These schools often specialises in one specific area? whilst understanding that the same broad range of skills and qualefications should be made available to all young people.

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B. GUIDED WRITING

Read the information in the table below, and then in your ANSWER BOOKLET, write two sentences using all the given notes about how to save yourself from coronavirus. Use the appropriate linking words. (5 points)

- Frequently, wash your hands with soap and warm water.
- Sneeze on your flexed elbow covering your mouth.
- Avoid close contact with anyone who has a fever or a cough.
- Avoid unnecessary contact with live animals.

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