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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.

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 Number One: (20 points)

1. There are two motivations that make students study away from their home. Write them down. (4 points)

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2. Students who choose to study abroad may face some challenges . Write down two of these challenges . (4 points)

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3. Quote the sentence which shows a piece of evidence that a minority of students preferred to stay at home for their degree . (3 points)

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4. What does the underlined word debt mean ? (2 points)

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5. What does the underlined phrase Since then refer to ? (2 points)

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6. Studying abroad may be one of the most beneficial experiences for students . Write down three possible advantages of such a lifetime opportunity. (3 points)

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7. "Live as if you were to die tomorrow. Learn as if you were to live forever.

Think of this quotation , and in two sentences , write down your point of view. (2 points)

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Question Number Two : (14 points)

A . Choose the suitable item form of those given in the box to complete each of the following sentences . (12 points)

optional , get cold feet , tuition, colloquial, tailor-made

- 1. If you would like to learn to play the oud, you can get private
- 2. In many schools, studying a foreign language is....., but it is often a good idea to continue learning a second language.
- 3. Some universities offercourses that are able to suit individual needs.
- 4. Anita is very familiar with Arabic, which is what her family speaks and understands .

B: Study the following sentences and answer the questions that follow .(2 points)

. I'm not sure if it'll be warm enough to have a barbecue. We'll have to get cold feet .

Replace the underlined misused body idiom with the correct one

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Question Number Three : (18 points)

A. Choose the suitable item from those given to complete each of the following sentences : (8 points)

- 1. Sara hasn't spent as money as you .
(more , less , much , many)
- 2. Theexpensive thing on the menu is orange juice
(more , least , less , much)
- 3. There arepeople in our class than in yours .
(less , fewer , few , many)
- 4. French isn't English .
(more influential, less influential , as influential as, most influential)

B. Complete each of the following items so that the new item has a similar meaning to the one before it. (10 points)

- 1. Travelling by car isn't as expensive as travelling by plane .
Travelling by plane
- 2. Neither John nor Tom reads as many books as Sally does.
Sally reads
- 2. Reading a book is less interesting than watching a film.
Reading a book isn't
- 4. Silver is cheaper than gold .
Gold is
- 5. Rana isn't as old as Reem
Rana

Question Number Five. (8 points)

A. EDITING: (4points)

Imagine you are an editor in the Jordan Times. You are asked to edit the following lines that have five mistakes Find out these four mistakes and correct them

If you do a degree in Medicine or Law, you would find that your job prospects are good than if you do a more general degree. However ; language proficiensy is becoming increasingly important for anyone who wants to travel or work abroad for a large global company or organisation. Remember, it's never too late to study or change career direction. Studying is a livelong activity – you're never too old to start!

- 1. 2. 3. 4.

B . GUIDED WRITING : (4 points)

Read the information in the table below , and then write two sentences about why people should read more books . Use the appropriate linking words.

Why people should read more books
- develop verbal abilities.
- improve imagination skills.
- refresh memory .

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