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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.

According to a study done 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.

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 so from learning a foreign language, therefore, can make you a better speaker and writer in your own language.

**Question Number One Text A. ( 60 points )** [www.awa2el.net](http://www.awa2el.net)

- 1 The functionality of your brain can be improved by learning a foreign language in several different ways. Write down one way of them. (5 points)
2. Write down the sentence which indicates that learning a foreign language improves writing and speaking skills in the mother tongue. ( 5 points )
3. Find a word in the text which means "speaking, reading or writing in more than two languages'. (8 points)
4. What does the underlined word "**they**" refer to? (5 points)
5. The writer states that learning new vocabulary and grammar rules exercises the brain. Suggest three other activities to help exercising the brain. (5 points)
6. Anyone who stops learning is old, whether at twenty or eighty .Anyone who keeps learning stay young. Think of this statement and in two sentences write down your point of view. ( 5 points )

## Question Number One

## Text B

Ten-year-old Adeeb al-Balooshi, from Dubai, is going to travel to seven countries on a tour which has been organised and funded by Sheikh Hamdan bin Mohammad, Crown Prince of Dubai. The boy caught Sheikh Hamdan's attention with his invention -a prosthetic limb for his father. The Sheikh has taken a special interest in the boy, and hopes the tour that he is sponsoring for Adeeb will give the young inventor more self-confidence and inspire other young Emirati inventors.

Adeeb got the idea for a special kind of prosthetic leg while he was at the beach with his family. His father, who wears an artificial leg, could not swim in the sea as he could not risk getting his leg wet. This inspired Adeeb to invent a waterproof prosthetic leg.

Adeeb is going to visit the USA, France, the UK, Ireland, Belgium, Italy and Germany, where he will be staying with relatives. However, while he is in Germany, Adeeb will not be spending all his time sightseeing. He will be working with a specialist doctor to build the appendage.

### Question Number One: Reading Comprehension .

- 1- The Sheikh offered Adeeb the gift of a world tour for two reasons , write down one of them . ( 5 points ) [www.awa2el.net](http://www.awa2el.net)
- 2- Quote the sentence that shows how Adeeb got his inspiration for a waterproof prosthetic leg for his father. ( 5 points )
- 3- Find a word form the text that means t " **an arm or a leg of a person.** "
- 4 - What does the underlined word " **who** " refer to.
- 5 - Who will Adeeb be staying with in Germany ?
6. Young people can possibly become important to their countries in the future if they get proper education and guidance. Explain this statement. Suggesting three ways to do that.

**Question Number Two: (40 points)**

**VOCABULARY: for items (1-10) choose the correct option from A, B, C or D to complete each of the following sentences.**

1. When you talk about business and try to do a deal, you .....  
A. Collaboration    B. negotiate    C. sales pitch    D. compromise
2. Rashed doesn't really believe that story, he's very .....  
A. prospect    B. sceptical    C. viable    D. optimistic
3. Scientists have already developed brain ..... that improve vision.  
A. equipment    B. scanner    C. implants    D. proof
4. Adeb will be attending a course on prosthetics and learning about different kinds of medical .....  
A. stand out    B. apparatus    C. monitor    D. waste
5. I used to eat too much junk food, but now I have a much healthier .....  
A. sweet    B. dehydration    C. diet.    D. immunisation
6. I've ..... an idea! Let's redecorate our room!  
A. caught    B. got    C. spend    D. earn
7. I will be going to university to continue my .....  
A. education    B. educational    C. educate    D. educational
8. Prices in some shops are not .....  
A. negotiate    B. negotiation    C. negotiable    D. negotiates
9. A computer is a ..... of a nuclear attack.  
A. simulate    B. simulation    C. simultaneous    D. simulated
10. Some developed nations face serious ..... Problems .  
A. economy    B. economically    C. economize    D. economical

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**Question Number Three: ( 40 points )**

**GRAMMAR PART ONE : for items (1-10) choose the correct option from A, B, C or D to complete each of the following sentences.**

11. Jordan needs to import a lot of oil. If only it..... larger oil reserves.

- A. has                      B. had                      C. had had                      D. have had

12. Children often ..... computers better than their parents .

- A. use                      B. uses                      C. has used                      D. are using

13. I had my computer .....

- A. fix                      B. fixes                      C. fixed                      D. had fixed

14. I just got glasses this week, and I'm not----- them yet, so I'm still having difficulty.

- A. used to wear                      B. used to wearing                      C. use to wear                      D. use to

15. Ibrahim was right and I was wrong . I wish I..... to him .

- A. listened                      B. have listened                      C. can listen                      D. had listened

16. Neither Maths nor Science are ..... English.

- A. more popular                      B. as popular as                      C. less popular                      D. more popular

17. People..... love exploring historical Roman ruins will find a visit to Qasr Bashir rewarding.

- A. where                      B. which                      C. who                      D. whose

18. Ali ..... about his friend when he received a text from him.

- A. had been thinking                      B. have been thinking                      C. is thinking                      D. thinks

19. When the results were published, she was delighted to learn that she.....

- A. had passed                      B. have passed                      C. passes                      D. pass

20. In three years' time, my brother ..... Graduated from university.

- A. has                      B. will have                      C. is going to                      D. will

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**Question Number four : ( 40 points )**

**For items (21-30 ) choose the correct option from A, B, C or D to complete each of the following sentences.**

21. I like Geography most of all.

- A. The subject which I like most of all was Geography
- B. The subject who I like most of all is Geography
- C. The subject which I like most of all is Geography
- D. The subject when I like most of all is Geography

22. Are the workers going on strike?

- A. Could you tell me the workers are going on strike?
- B. Could you tell me are the workers going on strike?
- C. Could you tell me if the workers are going on strike?
- D. Could you tell me if the workers were going on strike?

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23. In Jordan, children start school a year later than English children.

- A. English children start school a year later than Jordanian children
- B. English children start school a year earlier than Jordanian children
- C. Jordanian children start school a year earlier than English children.
- D. In Jordan, children don't start school a year later than English children.

24. Fish is said to be good for the brain.

- A. They said that fish is good for the brain.
- B. They say that fish is good for the brain.
- C. They said that fish was good for the brain.
- D. They used to say that fish is good for the brain.

25. We're late. We didn't catch the earlier bus.

- A. We're late. If only we have caught the earlier bus.
- B. We're late. If only we hadn't caught the earlier bus.
- C. We're late. If only he has caught the earlier bus.
- D. We're late. If only we had caught the earlier bus.

26. Do you know ----- I've passed my exam or not?  
A. where                      B. which                      C. whether                      D. how much  
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27. Do you mind ..... why the sky sometimes looks red?  
A. explain                      B. to explain                      C. explained                      D. explaining

28. You mustn't water these plants every day.  
A. You don't have to water these plants every day.  
B. You can water these plants every day.  
C. You are not allowed to water these plants every day.  
D. You have to water these plants every day.

29. **Despite** the recent advances in technology, it is still unreliable and very inconvenient.

The function of using despite in the above sentence is :

A. consequence                      B. addition                      C. opposition                      D. Metaphor

30. **Al-Kindi** contributed to the invention of the oud.  
A. The person who contributed to the invention of the oud is Al-Kindi  
B. The person who contributes to the invention of the oud was Al-Kindi  
C. The person who was contributed to the invention of the oud is Al-Kindi  
D. The person who contributed to the invention of the oud was Al-Kindi

**Question Number Five:**

**( 20 points )**

**A. Editing:**

**( 5 points )**

**Imagine you are an editor in the Jordan Times. You are asked to edit the following lines that have five underlined mistakes. And write your answer in your ANSWER BOOKLET**

physical activity is very important, of course? especially when you are studying. Exercise will made a huge difference to the way you feel. The physical activity will increase your heart rate and, in turn, that will [www.awa2el.net](http://www.awa2el.net) encrease your blood circulation. It also sends more oxygen to the brain, which makes you revise more efficiently!

**B. FREE WRITING ( 15 points )**

In your ANSWER BOOKLET , write a composition of about 200 words on ONE of the following :

1. Tourism has become an important sector that has an impact on development of country economy. Write a three-paragraph report about the importance of tourism on the Jordanian economy and mention the best ways to attract tourists to visit Jordan. Mention its benefits, support with example [www.awa2el.net](http://www.awa2el.net)
2. Write four - paragraphs essay about something that used to make you stressed and how you have changed your habits so that it doesn't make you stressed anymore
3. Medical advances fascinate us constantly .Write an essay about 200 words predicting medical advances by the year 2100 CE .
4. Write a four –paragraph essay agreeing or disagreeing with the statement below:

Large scale building projects are certainly a necessity in the development of the modern world

The End  
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