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(المفردات - القواعد - الوظائف اللغوية - الكتاب المقرر - التعبير الكتابي - الاستيعاب المقروء - التلخيص - الترجمة)

Total Mark (560 Marks)

I. VOCABULARY (100 Marks)

A -From a, b, c and d choose the most suitable word that best completes each of the following sentences: (5x10 = 50 marks)

1. Our team really to win the cup because they played very well.
a. waned b. ascended c. resigned d. deserved
2. My grandparents for lunch yesterday. We had a family gathering.
a. put to b. came over c. came round d. bumped into
3. The government has a promising plan to solve the problem of unemployment.
a. palatial b. chronic c. dizzying d. astounded
4. After the mechanic had repaired my car, he advised me to check the engine more
a. frequently b. roughly c. seamlessly d. densely
5. A lot of people have complained about the caused by the endless work on the roads.
a. frost-bite b. ailment c. data d. overcrowding

B -Fill in the spaces with the most suitable words from the list below:(5 x10 = 50 marks)

(conceals /cookery / vice versa / narrates / exceptionally / reconstruction)

6. When we go on holiday our neighbours take care of our house and
7. This museum has been reopened after nearly two years of
8. This book the life story of the Greek leader, Alexander the Great.
9. During the sale season, you can buy some electronic devices at low prices.
10. My cat is afraid of strangers. It carefully itself under the bed when we have visitors.

III- LANGUAGE FUNCTIONS (40 Marks)

- Write what you would say in the following situations:(4x10= 40 marks)

19. A friend of yours wants to continue his studies abroad.

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20. You couldn't hand over your project because your computer got a virus.

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21. Your parents don't allow you to use your mobile phone because you use it too much.

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22. Your friend is fully convinced that high speed is the main cause of road accidents.

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IV- SET BOOK QUESTIONS (40 Marks)

- Answer only (FOUR) of the following questions: (4x10 =40 marks)

23. How can we show respect to the elderly?

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24. Why do some people like to settle down in a city?

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25. Are you for or against reusing old buildings? Why?

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26. What are the disadvantages of space exploration?

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27. Some people like to push themselves to the extreme for many reasons. Explain.

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V- WRITING (120 Marks)

Write on the following topic: Expository

“Life expectancy is an index to the advancement of both the country’s health system and personal lifestyle.”

Plan and write an essay of 14 sentences (160 words) about how the personal behaviours and the improvement of medical care affect people’s life expectancy.

NB: Your writing should include an introduction, 2 body paragraphs and a conclusion.

(Outline - 20 Marks)

Introduction:

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Body:

Paragraph 1 :

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Paragraph 2 :

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Conclusion :

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V- WRITING (120 Marks)

Write on the following topic: Argumentative

" Living in the countryside is appealing . The lifestyle is peaceful and easy, but it's not for everyone."

While some people prefer to live in the countryside, others are against this idea.

Plan and write an essay of not less than 14 sentences (160 words) presenting both views and stating your position.

NB: Your writing should include an introduction, 2 body paragraphs and a conclusion.

(Outline - 20 Marks)

Introduction:

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Body:

Paragraph 1 :

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Conclusion :

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VI- READING COMPREHENSION (110 Marks)

- Read the following passage carefully, then answer the questions below:

One of the biggest and most expensive transportation projects in the world is bridge building. Bridges are important links that carry cars, trucks and trains across bodies of water, mountains or other roads. As a result, **they** have to be strong that they won't fall or, collapse.

Bridge collapses can be tragic events, leading to loss of life and serious property damage. That's why bridge engineers, designers and builders must always take their jobs very seriously. The best way for them to prevent these accidents is to understand why bridges collapse in the first place. Understanding bridge collapses can lead to major changes in the design, construction and safety of future building projects.

There are many main reasons why bridges fall. Historically, more bridges were made of wood and were much more sensitive to fire. This was particularly true of old train bridges that would sometimes catch fire and burn to the ground. Besides, a large number of bridge accidents occur during the construction of the bridge itself. These accidents are often due to an error made by the engineers, such as a miscalculation. The bridge collapses under its own weight, and this can be deadly for the workers on it at the time. Additionally, Earthquakes damage all structures, including bridges. Luckily, this kind of collapse is relatively **infrequent**, especially with modern bridges. Engineers have learned to design bridges in earthquake zones on areas that are much more resistant to movement. Moreover, some bridge collapses are mysteries, and engineers only realise the reasons after they do a complete research. In some cases, this could happen because low-quality material was used in the construction, or because of a problem in an important part of the bridge. In other cases, the bridge was designed only to support a certain amount of weight and no more.

The last reason for bridge collapses is boat or train crash. Both of these kinds of accidents are extremely rare, but boats and trains can cause a bridge to collapse for different reasons. With trains, it's the high speed that can bring a bridge down. With boats, it's the very large weight they have that can cause the collapse, even if they are moving very slowly when it happens.

The best way to avoid bridge failures is to plan for them. Modern technologies that can detect structural weakness, safer working environments and better designs can all help to reduce these terrible accidents.

From a, b, c and d choose the correct answer: (5 X 10 = 50 marks)

28. What is the **best title** for the passage?

- a) Civil Engineers
- b) Means of Transportation
- c) Devastating Earthquakes
- d) Reasons for Bridge Collapse

29. The underlined word “**infrequent**” in the 3rd paragraph is **closest in meaning to**:

- a) unreal
- b) invisible
- c) uncommon
- d) incorrect

30. The underlined pronoun “**they**” in the 1st paragraph refers to:

- a) bridges
- b) mountains
- c) other roads
- d) trucks and trains

31. According to the passage, when engineers understand why bridges fall down, they can:

- a) stop using boats and trains.
- b) stop designing bridges in earthquake zones.
- c) build bridges that only support a certain amount of weight.
- d) make changes in the designs, construction and safety of future bridges.

32. According to the passage, **all** of the following sentences are **NOT TRUE EXCEPT**:

- a) Earthquakes always damage bridges only.
- b) Boats crashes never cause bridge collapses.
- c) Low – quality material is one of the unknown reasons for bridge collapses.
- d) Engineers can’t realise why bridges collapse after doing a complete research.

B) With reference to the passage, answer the following questions: (4 x 15 = 60 marks)

33. In what way are bridges important?

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34. Why must bridge engineers, designers and builders take their job seriously?

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35. How could engineers avoid a bridge collapse due to earthquakes?

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36. How can modern technology help reduce bridge accidents?

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VII - SUMMARY MAKING (60 Marks)

- Read the following passage, then do as required:

It is hard to know where to start when beginning strength training. There are countless exercises you can do. Some of which work with certain bodies, while others don't. With some familiarity of the basics, you can begin to craft a routine helping you achieve your personal goals.

Strength training should be a part of your workout routine due to its numerous benefits. One purpose of strength training is to build muscles and improve bone density. For another thing, strength training increases the strength of ligaments and joint functioning. It can also help raise good cholesterol levels and lower blood sugar levels. Moreover, most people like strength training because of its most obvious benefit which is having a slimmer appearance.

In a paragraph of FOUR sentences ONLY, summarize and paraphrase the passage above in answer to the following question:

- What are the benefits of strength training?

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Rubrics	Content / relevance of ideas	Paraphrasing	Spelling and grammar	Paragraph format	Total
	30	20	5	5	60

VIII – TRANSLATION (30 Marks)

- Translate the following into good English :(2x 15 =30 marks)

أحمد : هل أنت من النوع الذي يحب التحديات والمغامرات؟

على : نعم ، فأنا عضو في نادي المغامرات الكويتي ، الذي يضم ذوي الخبرة من متسلقي الجبال.

Ahmed :

ALi :

**End of the Exam
Good Luck**